

## Dates for your diary

### OCTOBER

- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Church Council meeting - 7.45pm
- Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Bible Sunday
- Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Bring & Share lunch
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Stewards' meeting 7.30pm

### Services for Next Week: 12<sup>th</sup> October BIBLE SUNDAY

10.45am Mr Scott Willcox  
6.15pm Mr Scott Willcox

**Mr Willcox is from Shepperton  
and is working full time for the Bible Society**

**Notices for next week.** Items should be given to Judy Lacey by **Thursday** please, in writing, by 'phone (360134) or by e-mail [barry.lacey@talktalk.net](mailto:barry.lacey@talktalk.net)

## **WELCOME TO BICESTER METHODIST CHURCH SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2008**

Minister	Revd Paul R Howes	240932
Youth Worker	Tom Lewis	242394
Church website	<a href="http://www.bicestermethodist.org.uk">www.bicestermethodist.org.uk</a>	
Youth Website	<a href="http://www.absolutely.org.uk">www.absolutely.org.uk</a>	

If you are a visitor to our church, please make yourself known to one of the stewards. Tea and coffee will be served after the service - please stay and join us. Do speak with one of the door stewards if you would like more details of our fellowship here.

### TODAY'S SERVICES

10.30am Mrs Joy Lewis – CONNECT in the Hall  
10.45am Mr Alan Peters  
6.15pm Revd Paul R Howes with Holy Communion  
*Luke 14 vs 25-35 'Building – A picture of Growth'*

There are crèche facilities available for very young children. For children who stay in church for the whole service there are a number of bags on the coat hooks in the entrance. These contain books, paper, pencils etc. Please feel free to use one, and return it at the end of the service.

**The prayer room is open for private prayer whenever  
the church front doors are open.**

**Your prayers are asked for those who are in special need at this time. If you have specific prayer requests, which you would like to be put on the prayer chain, please e-mail them to [prayer@bicestermethodist.org.uk](mailto:prayer@bicestermethodist.org.uk) or contact Sue Morris on 243648.**

### **HARVEST DONATIONS**

A BIG THANK YOU for all the donations at the Harvest Festival, and beforehand, for the Oxford Night Shelter. They are much appreciated. Also thank you to Tracey and Andrew Smith who will be the link people for the Night Shelter in future.  
*Joy Lewis*



### **TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP**

The Tuesday Fellowship Anniversary is on the 14<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm in the Church. The Speaker is The Revd Dr Martin Wellings. Tea will be served in the Hall afterwards. Everyone very welcome.

### **ACORN TODDLERS**

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 9.30am a photographer is coming to Acorn Toddlers. If you wish to have your child's photograph taken please see Marlyn Halford on Sunday or Tuesday, or ring 07761244025.

### **CALLING ALL COOKS AND BAKERS**

I am running the Autumn Fair Cake Stall on 1<sup>st</sup> November and would be grateful to receive contributions of cakes or sweets, priced as you think fit, for sale on the stall. I am on holiday until 14<sup>th</sup> October so will not be able to speak to people personally for a few weeks. Many thanks for any help you can give.  
*Pam Homans (Tel: 324240)*

### **RELEASE INTERNATIONAL**

As the church representative of Release International, I am putting up a picture in the church hall about fair treatment of the north Korean refugees in China. Please pray for the work they do in the world.  
*Julian Keen*

### **PROPERTY COMMITTEE**

Concerns and queries over Property should now, in the first instance, be addressed to Margaret Jaggs on 01869-244637 or via e-mail makjaggs@yahoo.co.uk

### **BADMINTON**

Are you interested in playing Badminton? There is a group of us meeting at The Cooper School sports centre on a Tuesday night from 8 to 10pm. It is open to all abilities - first night free and then it is £3.00 per session. For more information please see Leisa Wood.

### **AUTUMN ART EXHIBITION AT ST EDBURG'S**

6 - 11<sup>th</sup> October 11.00am – 5.00pm.

Works of professional and amateur artists from Oxfordshire with works by pupils at Cooper School and Bicester Community College.

### **SUDAN**

Thank you to the person who left £20 in an envelope at the back of Church for the Street Boys.  
*Susan and Christine*

### **BICESTER & DISTRICT LADIES SUPPER**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm – Bicester Methodist Church Hall. The speaker will be Neil Rowe, talking about the "Send a Cow" scheme which he helped to set up. Tickets £5.00 from Anne Black – 325620.

### **ORGAN MUSIC**

The 5th Annual Evening of Organ Music will take place on Friday 14th November at 7.00pm. I want to dedicate the evening to the memory of Ray and Barbara who both were in the Churchill Hospital for treatment. Proceeds from the event will go to DUO at the Churchill Hospital. Final details will be available soon. Please book the date and come along.

*John Boxall*

### **AUTUMN FAIR CHRISTMAS STALL**

As I am away during October could you look out any unwanted Christmas items you may have or you can make and keep them for me until after October 24th. I don't have much at the moment and would be glad of your help. Many thanks.  
*Helen Boxall*

### **REQUEST FOR HELP WITH TRANSPORT**

Christine is a friendly lady who is blind, lives in Fewcott, and enjoys worshipping with us on a Sunday morning, but needs transport. If you can help with transport, perhaps on a rota basis – not necessarily both ways – (and in the process introduce her to different people) please see David Wood.

