

WEST WORTHING BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday 18th February 2018

Hazel Sherman is leading the 10.00 service today,
and with Luciana Damascena has prepared and will be leading the 11.15
service, with David Standing and Tina Parker.

Thank you to Bernard Monk, our organist at 11.15



In our prayers this week:

We particularly remember David & Sandra Hill, and all families and friends of all those involved in the tragic accident in the Grand Canyon last weekend. For those who are grieving, for those who are in hospital, for those who wait in mingled fear and hope, we ask that they will be sustained in their spirits with strength enough for each moment.

Amongst our congregation here we hold in prayer many who are finding daily life something of a struggle, including -

Brenda Amey (in the early stages of chemotherapy), Jean Ashcroft (anxious to return home), Bill Jones (recovering from painful falls during last week), Marilyn Mann (awaiting a hospital consultation tomorrow) Aileen Morgan (now back at home), Joan Turner (convalescing after her operation).

Reading the Bible together through 2018 - passages for this week (Week 8):

Leviticus 8-11; Psalm 110; Hebrews 4
Leviticus 12-14; Psalm 111; Hebrews 5
Leviticus 15-18; Psalm 31; Hebrews 6
Leviticus 19-20; Hebrews 7
Leviticus 21-23; Hebrews 8

Songs & reading at 10.00 service:

Bible focus from Exodus 32 & 40

Cornerstone (Christ Alone) - Hillsong

Your love defends me – Matt Maher

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord, O my soul) – Matt Redman

11.15 a.m. Order of Service

Call to Worship

Psalm 27:1,11,13

- ¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?
***The LORD is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?***
- ¹¹ Teach me your way, O LORD,
and lead me on a level path
because of my enemies.
- ¹³ ***I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD
in the land of the living.***

(NRSV)

Mark 1:9–13

Hymn Coloured threads and cloudy pictures
 pastel shades in watery skies:
 seeking hope for unknown journeys,
 rainbow promise for our eyes:
 God who never will forget us,
 God who sets us free to live,
 take our weakness and our failings
 Give us courage to believe.

 Love beyond our comprehension -
 Christ submerged beneath our flaws,
 from the water takes his journey
 ever closer to the cross:
 turn us round to live for others
 keep us closely at your side;
 in this world of deep division,
 through your love, confound our pride.

Prayer of Approach

Reading Philippians 3:7-16

A brief exposition

Hymn 97 Come Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire

Considering . . . ministry and ministers

Prayers of Intercession with response,

 You are God everywhere
 Unto you our hearts are open.

Hymn 360 Take this moment, sign and space
 An offering will be taken during this hymn

Blessing

This Week

Duty Deacon – Elizabeth Clark

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| Mon | 19 | 10.00 a.m. | Exploring Christian Faith with Alpha (4) |
| Tue | 20 | 11.00 a.m. | Chapel Prayers |
| | | 12.00 p.m. | Lunch Club, followed by Quiz |
| | | 7.30 p.m. | Exploring Christian Faith with Alpha (4) |
| Wed | 21 | 10.00 a.m. | Sparrow Club, parent/carer & toddler group |
| | | 6.45 p.m. | Junior Youth Club (Yrs 3-6 6.45-8.00, Yrs 7-9 7.00-8.30) |
| Thur | 22 | 7.00 p.m. | Prayers before Church Meeting |
| | | 7.30 p.m. | Church Annual General Meeting |
| Sun | 25 | 10.00 a.m. | Informal Service |
| | | 11.15 a.m. | Traditional Service |

**The Coffee Bar is open Monday – Saturday 10.00 a.m. - 12.00 noon.
& until 2.00 p.m. Tuesday afternoon & 4.00 p.m. Thursday afternoon this week**

**The flowers in worship are given today in loving memory of Sylvia Jones
Mum to Pam and Nanna to Neill & Robert**

- ❖ **Exploring Christian Faith continues on Monday and Tuesday this week:**
“Why and how do I pray?”
- ❖ **The Church Annual General Meeting**, including taking a formal decision on the church’s calling to Luciana as second Minister, and the election of Church Secretary and Treasurer, will take place this Thursday 22nd February at 7.30 p.m.
- ❖ **Hazel is away at the annual Ministers’ Conference at Ashburnham from Tuesday to Thursday this week**, returning in time for Church Meeting. Mobile phone access is rather patchy, so please contact Luciana Damascena or Tina Parker if there is any urgent pastoral need.
- ❖ **Worthing 4 Refugees** invites you to a Fund Raising event on Tuesday March 27th, 7.30 p.m., as Chantry Quire present a meditation in words and music for Holy Week at Offington Park Methodist Church. Further details to follow, but please book the date if you can. Tickets £5 available shortly.

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Children & Families’ Worker/Minister in Training: Mrs Luciana Damascena

Pastoral Worker: Mrs Tina Parker

Church Office open Monday – Saturday mornings.