

Church Diary for the Week

Monday 5th October

7.00pm Alpha Course Week 1 in the Centre

Tuesday 6th

3.00pm Tea Break meets in the Centre

7.30pm Leadership Team meets at ByCanal Cottage

Wednesday 7th

10.30am Parents and Toddlers Club meets in the Centre

2.30pm Afternoon Group meets (*see Mary Stephens for details*)

7.30pm Noiz meet in the Centre (*Youth: Sch yrs 10-13*)

from 7.30pm Small groups meet locally (*check with leaders*)

Thursday 8th

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Friday 9th

7.30pm Creech Men go on a Space Odyssey (*in the worship area – see page 2*)

Saturday 10th

7.30am Men's Prayer Breakfast in the Centre (*bring your own food*)

9.00am Tearfund Prayer followed by Fair Trade Café in the Centre

SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER

10.30am Morning Service

God's Love in Creation, Genesis 1 (p.3)

Preacher: Lance Birks; Read/Pray: Ken & Peggy Darch

6.30pm Evening Service

Renewing of the Mind, Ephesians 4:17-32 (p.1175)

Preacher: Lance Birks; Read/Pray: Tina Morgan / Stewart Ashcroft

Leadership Team Nominations

The following have been nominated to stand for election to the Leadership Team at the Church Meeting on 20th October. Their profiles are available in paper copy from the Welcome Desk and can be downloaded from the Members' area on the church website. Those on our emailing list have had copies sent to them.

• Ian Kelland • Graham Lunt • David Pengilly • Di Woosley •

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To know Christ and
make Him known

Today's Ministry – Sunday 4th October 2009

10.00am Prayer Time in the Tape Library

10.30am Morning Communion Service

Theme: Love in the Godhead

Reading: John 17:13-26 (p.1085)

Preacher: Lance Birks

Leader: Di Woosley

Read/Pray: Jenny Cull / Leadership Team

Children and youth normally have their own activities after the first 25 minutes. There is a *crèche* for under 3 yrs in a room next to the platform. Above that age to Sch yr 6 *COSMIC* meets in the rooms in the Centre below. *Springboard* is for youth in Sch yrs 7-11 and meets in the Village Hall opposite.

6.30pm Evening Service

Theme: The New Birth

Reading: John 3:1-15 (p.1065)

Preacher: Gary Birch

Leader: Lance Birks

Read/Pray: Ralph & Marjorie Bullock

Prayer Ministry: there is usually an opportunity to pray with a recognised member of our team after most services. The corner of the worship area to the right of the platform is used for this. Team members wear blue-coloured badges or ask a leader.

Refreshments: you are invited to stay for coffee/tea/squash after our Services

We seek to honour God the Father by enabling people to become mature disciples of Jesus Christ, reaching out in the power of the Holy Spirit.

For your information

1. **WE GIVE A VERY WARM WELCOME** to all our Visitors today.
2. **HARVEST LOVE GIFTS** can be made to Tearfund's *Make Life Flow* Campaign up until next Sunday. The campaign seeks to bring healthy water and essential services to some of the poorest areas of the world. Special envelopes are available from near the Offering box. Please donate using Gift-Aid if appropriate.
3. **CREECH MEN GO ON A SPACE ODYSSEY** on Friday 9th October, 7.30pm at the church. Come and enjoy an amazing hi-tech planetarium presentation in the mobile Voyager Dome. With the use of the world's most advanced projector, we'll experience a voyage through the Solar System and beyond, touring some of the planets and moons. Presented by Simon Ould who is a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society. Cost £4pp. Limited numbers so book now with Gary.
4. **RIDING LIGHTS THEATRE COMPANY** are coming to Creech on Friday 16th October with 'Origins & Lemons'. See leaflets and posters for ticket details: call the Box Office on 01904 613000 or book online www.ridinglights.org/o&l
5. **CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY** at Heatree House in Devon (23rd-25th October) has places available. Pick up a booking form from the Welcome Desk and get your deposit back to David soon. Please see Gary re. financial help for the weekend.
6. **MEALS REQUEST:** We seem to be a little short of those willing to provide meals for new mums or folk who have just come out of hospital. If you are able to cook the occasional meal for someone in need, please see Michelle Birch (442213).
7. **URGENT NEED FOR DRIVERS FOR TWO MEETINGS FOR RETIRED PEOPLE:**
 - a. **TEA BREAK** are looking for help with transporting people to and from the meeting on alternate Tuesday afternoons. One or two persons use wheel-chairs and able helpers are needed to get them to and from CSMBC. Please contact Penny Vincent on 01823 442372.
 - b. **AFTERNOON GROUP** are also looking for drivers once a month to Priorswood and occasionally to North Petherton, 2.00-4.30pm approx. Anyone offering help is welcome to attend the meetings and should contact Mary Stephens on 01823 442534.
8. **TAUNTON TOWN CENTRE CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION.** If anyone would like to join the planning team for this (led by Adrian Prior-Sankey) Lance has details of the next meeting this Wed 7th October.
9. **NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY:** this will be available next Sunday.
10. **WEEKLY NOTICES:** Please let Lance have any notices by Wednesday AM.

PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ARRIVE BEFORE THE SERVICE START TIME
Arriving late detracts from worship for everyone!

Please include in your Prayers...

ILLNESS: We remember especially: Audrey Barber (and Alec, with a painful leg), Lu Kirby (home but fighting an infection) Gemma Lunt, Naomi Riches, Dawn Willcocks.

... **and not forgetting:** Richard Allen, Teresa Date, Avis Davison, John Harris, Maggie Kelland, Jean Palfrey, Judy Palmer, Phyllis Perry, Jenny Shuttleworth, Bill & Gwen Stone.

... **and some outside CSMBC:** Andrew Horner, Len Schofield (ex-Pastor, Halcon BC) in MP Hospital for treatment for fluid round the heart/lung following by-pass surgery.

IN CARE HOMES: Gladys Patrick, Nick Smith (has been very poorly) and Peter Turton.

SPECIAL BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS: to Avis Davison who celebrates her 80th birthday on Wednesday (7th).

STUDENTS at UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE:

First year: Tim Blackmore; Tom Blackmore; Helen Burke; Ceri Morgan, Alastair Paul and Natalie Stephenson. **Others returning:** Matt Blackmore, Charlotte Burke; Janice Cull; Lauren Fox; Tammy Fox; Gemma Lunt; Jo Lunt; Lily Paul; Naomi Paul and Claire Stephenson.

AWAY FROM THE UK: We remember **Ian & Rosie Tremain** in Mongolia now before a month in China (until mid-November), and **Hannah Cavaghan** enjoying a 1 yr course at the Hillsongs College in Sydney, Australia.

THE *Alpha* COURSE: the main sessions start tomorrow.

Please pray for all those involved through the weeks: our guests, the catering team, the leadership team and the Prayer team (see Peggy Darch to join the pray-ers).

PREACHING AWAY TODAY: Chris Pitman is at Sherborne Baptist (10.30)

Mission News for our Prayers

Derek & Andrée Knell (Feba, United Arab Emirates): who have returned from a great break in N America and now are back in the UAE. However, Andrée is attending a conference soon in Holland and will stop off in London to see their sons and families. Derek asks us to pray that he will be able to obtain a visa to enter Saudi Arabia as he seeks to research programming in Arabic-speaking areas. Also, Andrée and Derek both ask that they will know God's wisdom for future ministry and base location.

Brian Woodford (Bible Translation work in Burkina Faso) Brian has just received his citizenship in New Zealand after 37 years based there! He and Lyn are visiting Australia this month and will meet up with their daughter Hannah. Translation work of the Birifor OT (which Brian checks from NZ) is proceeding well in association with the SIL team and we are asked to pray that Pascal and Albert (Burkina nationals) will complete their goals for the year end. Pray for people in BF affected by recent floods.