

## ASHLEY METHODIST CHURCH

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WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS at 10.30am

GROWING IN FAITH & WORSHIP WE WORK TOGETHER TO SERVE & CARE FOR ALL

**SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2024 – MR ROBIN PERRY**

Bible reading: Matthew 16 vv 13-28

*A warm welcome to Ashley Methodist Church. If this is your first time here we look forward to meeting you over coffee or tea after our service.*

SONGS OF PRAISE, today at **3.30pm** at Market Drayton Methodist Church. All are welcome to join in worship, fellowship & light refreshments.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March. A service at **2pm**, devised by the Christian women of Palestine, will be hosted by the Roman Catholic Church, Ashley. All are welcome to this unique service. **Please note the time change.** More information at <https://www.wwdp.org.uk/2024-theme-and-country-palestine/>

GOOD FRIDAY at noon. A reflective ecumenical service here led by Rev. Graham Horsley.

There are details on the notice board of Holy Week services at the parish church.

BLUE ENVELOPES. For those who use the blue collection envelopes, the new issue commencing next Sunday is on the table by the entrance, in individually addressed envelopes. Thank you for your continued support.

LENT LUNCHESES. Our local churches will share a simple lunch at 12.30pm. The Anglicans will be hosts on 6<sup>th</sup> March and RC's on 21 March. Do come if you can. It's good to meet up with our Christian neighbours. Proceeds go to Christian Aid. More details on the notice board. The lunch here last week raised £155.20!

CHURCH COUNCIL meets here on 27<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm. All are invited to attend but only members may vote.

BOILER FUND. After two recent generous donations, the boiler fund has reached its target! A big thank you to all who have contributed over the past nine months.

FELLOWSHIP & FUN (MWiB), Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March at MDMC at 2pm.. Games with tea & cakes. All welcome.

FAMILY FUN DAY, Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April at St John's Church, Ashley. Details on the notice board. This is an ecumenical project so please support/publicise it as much as you can.

COMPASSION JAR. Our collection for Onyait in Uganda & Kevine in Ruanda stands at £48.61p. Thank you. Please continue to contribute your small change whenever possible. Every penny counts.

MD FOODBANK. There is a list of items required on the notice board. Gifts can be left at Loggerheads Co-op. Thank you. More information on the website: <https://marketdrayton.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

**Can you save 40p a day in Lent for the foodbank?** See the notice board or MDMC notices for details.

ROTA FOR SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2024 at 10.30am – REV. ROGER BAKER

JUNIOR CHURCH meets on the first Sunday in the month. Children are always made welcome here & we have provision for them at every service.

BIBLE STUDY. Our next meeting will be in church on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024, 10-11.30am. We shall continue our Lent course: "Another story must begin" by Jonathan Meyer (based on Les Misérables). It's not too late to join us during Lent. We are a very informal and all inclusive group. A warm welcome with tea or coffee await you.

ONLINE PRAYERS. Meet on zoom on Thursdays at 7-7.30pm. ID 918 5917 6065. Passcode 438 347.

THE FUNERALS OF MIKE & CHRIS BRADELEY will take place together at Market Drayton Methodist Church on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February at **11am**. We remember the family in our prayers.

FAMILY CONCERNS. We pray for Cynthia, Pete and Jen, Lee, Sylvia and all who are unwell and for their carers. We ask for peace and protection for our circuit and for all our young people.

**THANK YOU, O MY FATHER, FOR GIVING US YOUR SON  
AND LEAVING YOUR SPIRIT TILL THE WORK ON EARTH IS DONE.  
(Melody Green)**