



WELSHPOOL METHODIST CHURCH

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“Celebrating and Sharing God’s Love”

MARCH 2020 CHURCH BULLETIN

We extend a warm welcome to any visitors, or to anyone worshipping with us for the first time. Please make yourselves known to us and stay after the service for a cup of tea and a chat. (We have a loop system. Please turn off mobile phones.)

Pause for Thought

God loves each of us as if there were only one of us.

Saint Augustine

Remember that sometimes not getting what you want is a wonderful stroke of luck.

Open your arms to change but don't let go of your values.

The Dallai Llama

It is far better to be alone than to be in bad company.

George Washington

Always remember that you are absolutely unique - just like everyone else.

Margaret Meade



There is no charm equal to
tenderness of heart.

Jane Austen

Humour



After 150 days of flooding, Noah released all the animals from his ark and commanded them to go forth and multiply.

After some time, he saw that the Rocks and herds were regaining their numbers, but he came across a pair of snakes who had laid no eggs, and were just laying about.

Why have you not multiplied?" he asked.

To which the snakes responded, "we can't, we're adders."

Breaking news! Due to heavy storms, all the rivers in Egypt are flooding.

The citizens of Cairo ore still in denial



Sunday 1st March 1st Sunday in Lent

Lectionary

Genesis 2:15-17 & 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

Morning Worship at 10.45am led by Terry Jobling Bring & Share Lunch

This week:

Monday 2nd Coffee Morning 9.30am; Jubilate 100m; Playgroup 1pm
Wednes.4th Mid-week Movies, 2pm: "12 Years a Slave", multi award winner, based on true events, an unflinching account of slavery and a celebration of the power of hope.
WCT Lent Group (1) at New Street, 7 for 7.30pm
Thursday 5th Prayer Group led by Rev Bill Rowell, 12noon
Saturday 7th Coffee and Lunches, 11am to 2pm

Sunday 8th March

2nd Sunday in Lent

Lectionary

Genesis 12:1-40; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

Morning Worship at 10.45am led by Rev Marian (Holy Communion)

WCT Evening Worship, 6pm at Welsh Chapel: World Day of Prayer

This week:

Monday 9th Coffee Morning 9.30am; Jubilate 10am; Playgroup 1pm
Tuesday 10th Circuit Meeting, Newtown, 7pm
Wednes 11th WCT Lent Group (2) at New Street, 7 for 7.30pm
Thursday 12th Reading the Bible Together, 12noon
Saturday 14th Walking Group, Maesbury to Llanymynech

Sunday 15th March

3rd Sunday in Lent

Lectionary

Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

Holy Communion at 9am led by Jenny Thomas, followed by breakfast

Morning Worship at 10.45am led by Graham Smith

This week:

Monday 16th Coffee Morning 9.300m; Jubilate 100m; Playgroup 1pm
Tuesday 17th Jubilate, 7.15pm, rehearsing for "Saints Alive!" 31 May
Wednes.18th WCT Lent Group (3) at New Street, 7 for 7.30pm
Friday 20th Gallery Group, 7pm
Music Club Concert, 7.30pm: Conor Gricmanis & friends
Saturday 21st Coffee, Lunches and Crafts, 11am to 2pm

Sunday 22nd March 4th Sunday in Lent Mothering Sunday

Lectionary

1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 34:11-20; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41

Morning Worship at 10.45om led by Rev Bob (Holy Communion)

Afternoon Tea Service at 4pm led by Derek and the Stewards

This week:

Monday 23rd Coffee Morning 9.300m; Jubilate 100m; Playgroup 1pm
Tuesday 24th Jubilate, 7.15pm
Wednes. 25th WCT Lent Group (4) at New Street, 7 for 7.30pm
Thursday 26th Reading the Bible Together, 12 noon
Friday 27th Friday Fellowship, 2.30pm Speaker: Peter Francis
Saturday 28th **SPRING FAIR**

Sunday 29th March 5th Sunday in Lent

Lectionary

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130; Romans 8:6-11; John 11:1-45

Morning Worship at 11.00am at St Mary's (5th Sunday)

This week:

NB No Jubilate or Movie this week (Movie next week)
Monday 30th Coffee Morning 9.300m; Playgroup 1pm
Wednes.1st WCT Lent Group (5) at New Street, 7 for 7.30pm
Thursday 2nd Prayer Group, 12 noon, led by Rev Bill (to be confirmed)
Friday 3rd "Operation Sabre" with speaker Steve Worrall, 7.15pm
Saturday 4th Coffee and Lunches, 11am to 2pm

MID-WEEK MOVIES

Wednesday 4th March: "12 YEARS A SLAVE" -multi award winner "Based on a true story, and filled with powerful performances by an outstanding cast, this film is both an unflinching account of slavery and a celebration of the power of hope".

Wednesday 8th April: "JESUS OF NAZARETH" part 2 -an appropriate film for Holy Week starring Robert Powell. (Please note change of date from 1st to 8th). Further details in April's Bulletin.

CHURCHES TOGETHER LENT COURSE: "Journey to the Cross" - each Wednesday in Lent, at New Street Chapel, 7 for 7.30pm. The study material for this year has been produced by Embrace the Middle East. Each session looks at some of the people Jesus encountered on his journey to the cross, considers how he treated and spoke to the people he met, and asks us how we can follow Jesus' example in the way we view the world and others. Come and follow Jesus' footsteps, meet the people he met, and learn to walk his walk, and embrace life in the Middle East today.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 3rd April, 7.15pm (please note change of date)

Come and hear Steve Worrall speak about "Operation Sabre", an alternative to Samaritans Purse Shoeboxes as Christmas outreach.

Friday 24th April, 7 for 7.30pm

Derek's Fun Quiz Night

Saturday 16th May, 10am

Plant Sale, Crafts, Coffee and Lunches

Saturday 30th May, 7pm

Supper Concert, featuring 'Vocalease', directed by Gill Owen

Sunday 12th July. 6pm at Newtown

Farewell Service for Rev Bob Thomas, with Thanksgiving for the years of ministry of Rev Michael Taylor

Song Of March

With winter's footprints in the past,
and snows begin to melt at last.

With longer days and shorter nights,
the *wayward* winds of March take flight.

Four winds she holds within her grip,
then hurls them from her fingertip.

Her woolly, fleecy clouds of white,
she sets in skies of blue delight.

Her wild bouts of gusty breezes
roar through valleys, hills, and trees.

That high pitch whistling song she sings
awakens earth and flowering things.

She tears a hole in heaven's sky
so sun can shine and rain can cry.

She gently calms as spring draws near,
as blooming daffodils appear.

She welcomes April showers in,
then gathers up her dwindling winds.
Now her long journey home begins,

knowing she'll be back this way,
upon a cold, late winter's day,

when nights grow short
and days grow long.

Listen for her whistling song!

Patricia L. Cisco

