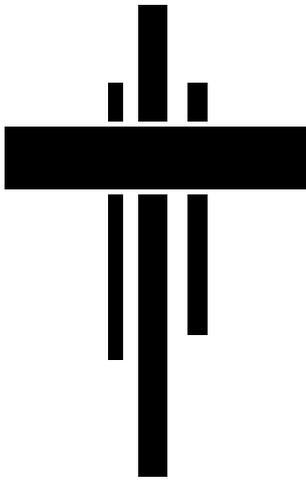


5th August 2018



Priory Methodist Church Weekly Newsletter

We welcome you to worship God with us today.

We light the Peace Candle and pray for peace in the world.

Call To Worship

We are one body, one spirit;
one Lord, one faith, one baptism.
Come and worship the living God,
who is over all, through all, in all.
From tender years to maturity,
we come to worship you, O God.
Amen.

Our Minister is the Reverend Andrew Hollins



If you would like a bible during the service there are some available in chair backs or from the bookcase in the welcome area.

Bible Readings

The projected page references refer to the pew bibles and not the lectern bible.

They are the same version but are different editions.



A special welcome to any visitors with us today
We serve tea, coffee and soft drinks after the morning services in the small hall each week.
Do stay and meet together with us.

Today's Morning Welcoming Team

Jill Richards and Jenny Wood

StF—Singing the Faith

10.30am

TODAY'S TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Preacher:- Mr Paul Jarrett

Worship Steward:- Angela Guerriero

Organist: - Keith Goddard

• **Hymns:- All StF** 443, 353, 545 and 238

Readers:- Roger Wood or Paddy Barrett

• **Readings:-** Jonah 2: 1-10

Intercessory prayer:- Gordon Beeden

On Sound Desk:- Robert Wood

10.30am

TODAY'S INFORMAL WORSHIP

Preacher:- Mr Craig Gaffney

Worship Leader: - Carmen Rowe

• **Hymns:- StF**437, **StF**351, My chains are gone, No longer slaves & **StF**471

• **Readings:-**

On Sound Desk:- Sue Gordon

Junior Church

No
Junior Church
until September

6.30pm

TODAY'S EVENING WORSHIP – Holy Communion

Preacher: - Rev. Keith Lackenby

Welcomer:- Chris Fox

Worship Steward: - Alan Davis

Pianist: - Pauline Kaye

• **Hymns:- All StF** 90, 676, 153, 573 and 398

Readers: - Nick Guy and Hazel Warner

• **Readings:-** Ephesians 4:1-16 and John 6:24-35

Communion Steward: - Nick Guy

New to Priory? – Welcome

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We'd like to get to know you – please complete your details, tear off and put in the Minister's pigeonhole in the welcome area by the front doors.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Where are Priory's Preachers this week

Next Sunday 12th August

10.30 Traditional Worship – Mr Perlynn Thomas

Informal Worship – Mrs Thea Lee

6.30pm – No Service at Priory this week

Church Flowers

5th August	Donor	Roz Butterworth
	Arranger	Carol Gammons
	Distributor	Kathy Lewis
12th August	Donor	David and Wilma Winwood
	Arranger	Christine Hearn
	Distributor	Gordon Beeden

Soup Run

We are always pleased to receive any unwanted cakes, sandwiches, etc.

5th August John H., Norma and Lorraine

12th August Brian, Kath and Anna

<u>Midweek Worship</u>	Date	Led by
Wednesdays 12.00pm in the Chapel	8th August	Hazel Warner
	15th August	Liz Little

Reverend Andrew Hollins - Tel. No. 01234 340167

Andrew is on sabbatical until 18th August 2018

Please see the notice within.

Church Office Tel. No. 01234 353523, Email: office@priorychurch.org.uk

Please note office hours are 9.00 – 14.00

Church Website: <http://www.priorychurch.org.uk>

Priory Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/PrioryMethodistChurch>

Church Office

The office will be closed on Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th August.

PWP (Priory Working Party)

There will be a get together on Thursday 9th August at 9-30am in the Small Hall to talk about a successor to the 'Geriatric Playgroup'. Please bring garden tools – there is always a need there, but we will talk about other areas that need attention around the premises. Anyone welcome.

Gordon and Phil

Fundraising

Our fundraising has started very well thanks to Hazel and Sue & Steve Gordon together with family and friends. Hazel raised £66.00 from the sale of cards. Sue and Steve's Garden party raised over £600.00 of which £300.00 goes to church fundraising. This is a brilliant start, and we look forward to the next events. What could you do?

Funeral

The funeral service on Tuesday is for Valarie Bullock, an aunt of Colin Bolster, husband of Marjorie, a member of Priory. We send our sympathy, love and prayers to the family.

Food and Fun Club

There will be 2 sessions during August, on Tuesday 14th and Thursday 30th. Please put the dates in your diary – all help gratefully received! We have a number of families who really value this club and new families come each time; it's a great way to share God's love with our community.

Thanks

Thank you for the Priory flowers Liz delivered on Monday in recognition of the work the family put in last weekend.

We would like to say a huge thank you everyone who came and supported our fundraising Garden Party last weekend, I think we were grateful for the cooler temperature and that the rain held off for most of the time. Also for the donations made from those who could not make it. Tracey and Sue enjoyed making the decisions and baking the selection of cakes and appreciated the comments on the day. Thanks go to the helpers on the day, helping it to run smoothly. A fantastic result all round, thank you.

Sue, Steve, Tracey and Tom

Unused Clarinet

I am looking for someone or someone's friend who may have a clarinet that they are not using.

Lodewyk Nel

Monthly Prayer Date at Priory - Saturdays at 11:00am -

The next date is 25th August.

Mary Infield

who played the organ at Beeston and Sandy for over 80 years.

Mary went to her Heavenly home on Tuesday at the age of 98. She played the organ at Beeston last Sunday for the Flower Festival.

After a burial at Sandy Cemetery a Service of Thanksgiving for her long and very active life will be held at Beeston Methodist Church on Friday, 10 August at 12.15 pm.

Please pray for her son John, her daughter Gillian and their families as this sad time.

Dear Friends,

We like to contact our regular contributors to advise them how much they have helped us over the past few months, so I am writing to thank everyone at Priory Methodist Church for supporting us regularly, here at Bedford Foodbank. The total weight of donations you have donated in the last six months came to 34.13 kg.

These donations will help us to carry on providing a nutritionally balanced supply of food to families and individuals, in and around Bedford, who are facing really tough times at the moment, who would otherwise struggle to put food on the table.

It is sad that help like this is needed, but great that individuals, organisations and communities can come together to meet the need in Bedford and the surrounding villages.

In the first 6 months of 2018 we have helped 3660 people, 1170 of these were children.

Kind regards,
Chris

Mrs Chris Hubbard
Admin Support

Rev. Andrew Hollins

Andrew is on sabbatical until 18th August 2018 Rev. Caroline Weaver will become full-time for this period so that she can be Acting Superintendent Minister. The churches which Andrew is responsible for will be provided with the necessary support. The Superintendent Minister's PA will have a dedicated mobile phone - 07522 928936 - for this period, and will direct enquiries to the most appropriate person in the circuit. Please pray that Andrew will have a refreshing and inspiring sabbatical.

Email address for Priory Feedback

The email address (prioryfeedback@gmail.com) set up to receive comments during the recent consultation about the future of Priory Methodist Church remains 'live' and is regularly checked for messages. Please continue to use it to pass comments to the Priory Leadership Team.

Posters On The Board In The Welcome Area - Updated weekly.

Don't forget to take a look at the posters with all the details of events happening at Priory, within the circuit churches and in Bedford - see if any take your interest.

www.northbedsmethodist.org.uk

Belief Presents **“The Art of Seeing and Believing”**

“Art and its Spiritual Dimensions” led by Revd Graham Sparkes

“Beauty Beheld and Unbeheld” led by Revd Richard Kidd

(co-authors of God and the Art of Seeing: visual resources for a journey of faith)

Saturday 29 September
10am to 1pm

St Andrew's Church,
Kimbolton Road, Bedford,
MK40 2PF

Cost £10 per person,
payable on the day
No need to book
(if you find the fee prohibitive,
please contact us)

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AUTUMN COURSE
Faith, Work and
Christian Discipleship

Wednesdays 3, 10, 17, 31 October, 7 and 14 November
7:30pm to 9:30pm

Course Tutor: John Weaver

Venue: St Andrew's Church Centre, Kimbolton Road,
Bedford, MK40 2PF

£5 per person, per session, booking preferred please at
belief@stsandrewsbedford.org but not essential