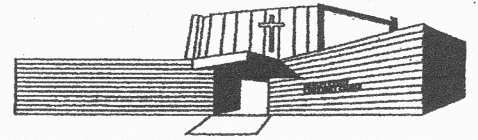


Weoley Castle Community Church

Newsletter

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH

We are beginning this month with our next Messy Church adventure. **Friday 3rd July at 3.30pm** is for your diary. Using the story of the Wise & Foolish builders, we are taking the theme and season to create a seaside theme. They'll be plenty of fun, food, friends and hopefully with a bit of sun, frolics in the garden. All the family are welcome to join us. If you want to know more, or to take part, call Mark on 07505521302.



On **Tuesday 7th July** we will be having our TFC family barbeque, where all the families of the children that come to Tuesday Club come along and enjoy some fun food and friendship. Last year the garden was full and we hope for the same again, and a bit of sun would help.

Extra help is welcome on the evening to prepare and cook. Call Mark on 07505521302 if you can support this. It will start around 6pm.

There are plenty of things happening throughout the week for you to be part of. From Babies to Elderly there will be something for everyone. If you feel you are missed out however, talk to Mark and together we could rectify this, there is always scope for more.

Find out more about Weoley Castle and its people:

www.weoleycastle.net

weoleycastlechurch.co.uk

www.stonehousegang.co.uk

www.shenleyacademy.org.uk

weoleycastlecommunitychurch.urc.org.uk

Anne Izzard

It is with a heavy heart that we are having to announce that on Monday 22nd June, Anne Izzard, following a battle with cancer, sadly passed away. Our thoughts and prayers lie with friends and family.

We all lost -- too soon -- this much loved younger or older sister, colleague, professional, surprisingly diverse and sometime quirky and comic friend. In sharing what and who she was in the memories of a wide range of other people, we will find there were many things we didn't know about Anne, and will appreciate her all the more.



Details about funeral arrangements will be announced when they are known, but a date of Tues 14th July is set.

New Members Welcome

On Sunday 14th June, we welcomed 3 new members of Weoley Castle Community Church. Margaret Hurlston, James Elson and Michael Harvey all committed themselves to this church and it's mission in Weoley Castle and beyond. They are each an asset to this church and we appreciate and welcome their time and commitment.

If you would like to know more about becoming a church member then speak to Mark or one of the Elders, who would willingly explain the benefits and responsibilities being part of Weoley Castle Community Church.



**TIM GALE, THE FOOT HEALTH PRACTITIONER
WILL NEXT BE HERE ON (MORNING ONLY):**

THURSDAY 30th JULY

COST : ONLY £15

**TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT CONTACT
CHRISTINE HOPKINS ON**

TEL : 0121 426 1227

OR ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST IN CHURCH



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REGULAR ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	11.00am	Family Worship—everyone welcome Holy Communion - 2nd Sunday each month
MONDAY	10.00am 12.00 noon 1.30pm 6.00pm	Day Centre Lunch Club Over 60's Keep Fit Karate
TUESDAY	6.00pm	Children's Club (TFC) 7-11yrs (Term time)
WEDNESDAY	9.15am 5.00pm	Parent & Toddler Group (Term time) Elite Dance
THURSDAY	Mornings 6.00pm	Foot Health Practitioner (Monthly) Karate
FRIDAY	9.15am 10.00am 12.00 noon 1.30pm 3.30pm 5.00pm	Parent & Toddler Group (Term time) Day Centre Lunch Club Cardiac Club Messy Church (once each half term) Elite Dance
SATURDAY	9.30am	Elite Dance OCCASIONAL COFFEE MORNINGS

Marriages and Baptisms by Arrangement

OTHER EVENTS / ACTIVITIES

On **Sunday 12th July**, Rev Dr. Kevin Snyman will be leading the service. Kevin is the Synod Mission Enabler. What's that? Well, for the answer to this and many other questions you may have, he will be staying for lunch after the service so that we have an opportunity to hear about what he is doing and how he may be able to help us too. Weoley Hill and Bournville URC have been invited to join with us at 12.30pm for this part of the day. If you would like to contribute to the lunch please speak to Min Elson or Margaret Basterfield, who are organising.

The following **Sunday, 19th July**, together with Weoley Hill Church, we will be joining Bournville URC, as they celebrate their church anniversary, and former minister Rev Ernest Cruchley will be leading the service, which will be instead of the planned joint service here..

You may want to know that the Cadbury Pastorate, as we are informally now known, has been officially declared a vacancy and perspective ministers can start enquiries. So, we pray that the right person is out there listening.

For all of those who knew Anne Izzard, there will be a Thanksgiving Service for her life on **Tuesday 14th July**. The family are keen that there will be space for lots of people to take part in this, through stories, anecdotes or whatever. If you wish to bring something along speak to Christine Miles or Mark Tubby who are meeting with the family this coming week.

Cards for all occasions

Frances, one of the members of the Church, design and makes greetings cards. Folk in the church have benefitted from this passion. So, if you know of an upcoming occasion that you would like to buy a card for, one that is unique, then let Frances know Sunday, and she will produce a selection of homemade designs for you.



**The church halls are available to hire for parties and events -
contact Mark on 0121 475 3841 for more details**

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday 5th July	11.00am	Lin Barrington Singh
Sunday 12th July (Communion Service followed by Discussion & Lunch)	11.00am	Rev Dr. Kevin Snyman
Sunday 19th July (Joint Service at Bournville URC)	10.30am	Rev Ernest Cruchley
Sunday 26th July	11.00am	Frank Challenor
Sunday 2nd August	11.00am	Rev Robert Ash

Morning Prayers take place on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9.15—9.45am All welcome

On Wednesday morning at 10am we are welcome to join our friends at St Gabriel's for Communion and Prayers

Church AGM	12.30pm	Sun 5th July
Elders Meeting	7.30pm	Wed 8th July

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Margaret Wozencroft has seen the neurologist and is now to have a minor operation on her back to ease the pain. She welcomes visitors but please call her first.

Bill Hopkins dad Arthur, sadly died last month, so our thoughts are with the family.

Miles is no longer able to commit to playing the piano each Sunday, so anyone who knows of someone willing and able to play sometimes please contact Mark or an Elder, thanks.

ALSO IN THE NEWS

THIS MONTH'S FUNNIES



Animal Quiz

How do you tell the difference between a weasel and a stoat?

You can weasily tell because it's stoatally different

Why did the viper viper nose?
Because the adder adder 'ankerchief

Why did the razorbill raise her bill?
Because the woodpecker would peck her

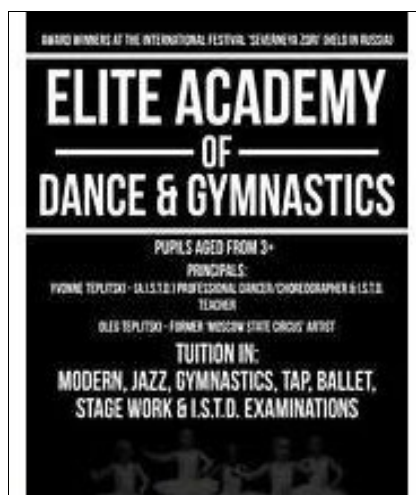
What is the difference between an ouzel and a twite?
You can ouzelly tell, because they are twite different

Ted

Free Hearing Aid Battery Replacement—This service will still be available here on Mon, Wed & Friday between 9.30am and 2pm. Ask for Christine Hopkins.

Elite Academy of Dance and Gymnastics

You may have noticed Elite Dance around the building throughout the week. Run by Yvonne and Oleg Teplitski, who have both performed with the Moscow State Circus, students range in age from 3—19 years. They are taught many aspects of dance, from ballet to modern, and there are also gymnastic and kick-boxing classes. Many of the students have gone on to become dancers so the standard is high. If you would like to know more, contact Yvonne on 07787062248.



ACTIVITY WEEK

It's coming up fast so make sure you get your place for this year's exciting adventures. The dates are **10th—14th August**. With trips, activities, craft, sports, ark-building and cooking there is something for everyone. The theme for this summer is Noah's Ark, so they'll be plenty of animals and water around. Aimed at 8—12 yr olds the week is sure to be packed with fun and friends, and at just £25 for the week, or only £20 for brothers and sisters, it will sell out fast.

For more details or to get a form, contact either
Mark on 07505521302 or Christine on 0121 426 1227



FROM WEOLEY HILL CHURCH

Our sister church Weoley Hill also has events and activities to join in:

There is a monthly Lunch Club, if you wish to join then please give your name to Nancy Nicholls. The next one takes place on **Wednesday 1st July at 1.00pm**.

The Friendship group are meeting on **Wednesday 8th June at 2.30am**

The Community Choir meets weekly on **Fridays at 6.30pm**.

There is also a Community Garden group meeting monthly and next on **Saturday 1st August at 10.30am**.

The book group are next meeting on **Tuesday 4th August at 7.30pm**.

Watch out for the forthcoming Music Festival too, from **3rd –12 July**.

For details of these and more events contact Cheryl Thornett on email **cherylthornett@hotmail.com**

THE WORLD OF CRCW

As we move into summer there has been a change of focus for me. The Kids Activity Week is the biggest event of the season for us and involves plenty of organisation and planning. This year we are using Noah's Ark as a theme and continuing the work started on the mural. A Zoo trip is a must and we will be constructing an Ark during the week too. It promises to be a good week, we have plenty of people coming forward to volunteer their time and talents, several for the first time, which is encouraging.



Meanwhile the Tuesday Club still continues to attract youngsters with a waiting list in operation at the moment. We recently received a grant award for the two activities mentioned, which will help with the cost of these,



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Children
in Need

which is not insignificant.

Thanks Children in Need for their £4900 assistance.

The Elite Dance Academy

have settled into the building and it seems to be working well so far. They have offered to do a performance for the Day Centre / Lunch Club and whoever else may be free, but this needs to be in holiday time as they are all at school during the day of course. Details about this will follow when they are known.



I have just become the convenor of the Synod's Youth & Children's Work Committee, so this will hopefully help us be aware of initiatives and guidelines as they appear. We are hoping to run a couple of evenings on Safeguarding in early September, so look out for that.

Vicky Longbone will begin officially too in September so that looks to be an exciting month already.

Not wanting to jump ahead though we have plenty happening now and it was good to talk with Michael, Margaret and James as they became church members.

If you want to go further in thinking about Community Work, there is a course starting in September, follow the link here.

<http://www.urc-westmidlands.org.uk/assets/files/TLS%20Community.pdf>

New ideas? come and speak to me or call me.

Mark Tubby CRCWM

Creating Change in Communities and the Church

