Welcome to Stoneleigh Methodist Church

Loving, serving and praying in the Stoneleigh Community

Sunday 11 October 2026 - 10:30am

Harvest Parade with the Rev Emma Cusack

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Welcome

A warm welcome to all worshipping with us here today - our Offertory this Sunday will be for the Methodist Church.

We can also accept **direct donations** to our General Church funds through our bank account 400206 20021725 using the description 'GASDS' – many thanks in anticipation.

Prayers

Please pray for **Emma** taking our Service this morning; also for our **Stewards** and others within the Church and beyond who work quietly and often unseen for the benefit of all. We remember in our prayers those of our members not on top form just now for various reasons. Please pray also for those in **Jeananne's** pastoral care group.

From the Russells - "Thankyou all so much for the kind messages, cards and flowers we received over the past few difficult weeks. We so appreciated the prayers, warmth and friendship of you all. ***Rita and Brian***"

Notices

CHURCH COUNCIL. Please note that the next Church Council meeting will be held on Monday 9th November 2026 at 7.30 p.m. in the Link Room. If you need to submit a report, please let me have this by 25th October and any items for Any Other Business should be advised to Emma and myself by that date too please.

The Agenda and Minutes will be forwarded to CC members in due course. Thank you.

Pat Petley, Church Council Secretary

'ROOM ON THE BROOM' POTION – You might have noticed that I've changed the hand wash soap around the Centre for a new variety based on a Julia Donaldson character. Ask a youngster to explain if you're not familiar with the story line. *NB for grown ups – same formula, but cheaper (much) than the standard soap. That's marketing for you! Robin*

INTER CHURCH PRAYER The next meeting will be tomorrow, 12th October, 1930-- 2030 at Worcester Park Baptist Church. All are most welcome. Both in quietness and in led prayer, we come together to listen to and converse with God.

Thank you, and God bless you - *Paula* 🙂

Bookings

Entries in **bold** are open to the public, in *italic either strictly private, or* you need to book in advance -(if no contact is given then phone us on [redacted] for details.)

Monday	**Zumba Gold**	**0930- 1030 in Hall**	**contact Denise** [redacted]
	Ladies Badminton	**1130- 1300 in Hall**	**contact Tina** [redacted]
	Conquest Art	**1400- 1600 in Link room**	**contact Lesley** [redacted]
	private activity	*1830- 1930 in Hall*	
Tuesday	*private dance*	*0930- 1030 in Hall*	*see leaflets for Ascenda Dance*
	Tuesday Fellowship	**1430- 1630 in Link room**	**Colin – 'Route 66'**
Wednesday	**Knit & Natter**	**1000- 1200 in Room 1**	**contact Denise** [redacted]
	Badminton	1330- 1500 in Hall	
	Badminton	**1945- 2115 in Hall**	
Thursday	**Carers & Toddlers**	**0900- 1200, Link room & Hall**	
	private activity	*1830- 2030 in Link room*	
Friday	**Hartbeeps**	**0830- 1330 in Link room**	**see posters on Notice boards**
	Table Tennis	**1400- 1600 in Hall**	**pop in Friday pm to enquire**
Saturday	*private party*	*1000- 1300 in Hall*	
Sunday	**Holy Communion**	**1030- in Church**	**with the Rev Chris Morley**

Thursday Zoom Prayer Group

Thursday	**Morning Prayer**	**0915- 1000**	**Click here or** *Meeting ID: 825 5146 8861 Passcode: 496144*

FOODBANK DONATIONS Our Church collects donations for the local Foodbank throughout the year, as below. Thank you.



Harvest Celebration, 11 October, 10:30am

Parade Service led by Rev Emma Cusack

Processional Hymn: Singing the Faith 100

During this hymn, the flags of the Uniformed Organisations are brought to the front of the church.

All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
he made their glowing colours,
he made their tiny wings:

The purple heathered mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky:

The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
he made them every one:

He gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty,
who has made all things well:

Cecil Frances Alexander (1818–1895) (alt.)

Welcome, Notices, and Prayer

Led by a Church Steward

Introduction

Video: What is Harvest Festival?

Activities

- How are these harvested?
- Can you match these?

Prayer

Dear Lord, thank you for the way you never leave anyone out and you welcome us all into your family.

We know you love it too, when we ask people to join in, when we share and when we use kind words to show your love. **Amen**

Reading: Psalm 112: 1-9 **NLT**

Read by members of the Uniformed Organisations

1 Praise the Lord!
How joyful are those who fear the Lord
and delight in obeying his commands.

2 Their children will be successful everywhere;
an entire generation of godly people will be blessed.

3 They themselves will be wealthy,
and their good deeds will last forever.

4 Light shines in the darkness for the godly.
They are generous, compassionate, and righteous.

5 Good comes to those who lend money generously
and conduct their business fairly.
6 Such people will not be overcome by evil.
Those who are righteous will be long remembered.
7 They do not fear bad news;
they confidently trust the Lord to care for them.

8 They are confident and fearless
and can face their foes triumphantly.
9 They share freely and give generously to those in need.
Their good deeds will be remembered forever.
They will have influence and honour.

Video: Epsom Pantry

Invitation to bring up Harvest Gifts

Please bring any donations for the Harvest to the front of the church

Offertory Hymn: Singing the Faith 126

Offerings received by members of the Uniformed Organisations

Praise God for the harvest of orchard and field,
praise God for the people who gather their yield,
the long hours of labour, the skills of a team,
the patience of science, the power of machine.

Praise God for the harvest that comes from afar,
from market and harbour, the sea and the shore:
foods packed and transported, and gathered and grown
by God-given neighbours, unseen and unknown.

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Praise God for the harvest that's quarried and mined,
then sifted, and smelted, or shaped and refined:
for oil and for iron, for copper and coal,
praise God, who in love has provided them all.

Praise God for the harvest of science and skill,
the urge to discover, create and fulfil:
for dreams and inventions that promise to gain
a future more hopeful, a world more humane.

Praise God for the harvest of mercy and love
from leaders and peoples who struggle and serve
for patience and kindness, that all may be led
to freedom and justice, and all may be fed.

Brian Wren
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Dedication of Offerings

Prayers for the World and for One Another

The response for these prayers:

As you have blessed us,
may we bless others.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Hymn: Singing the Faith 124

During this hymn, the flags of the Uniformed Organisations are led out of the church

For the fruits of all creation,
thanks be to God;
for the gifts to every nation,
thanks be to God;
for the ploughing, sowing, reaping,
silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safe-keeping,
thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labour,
God's will is done;
in the help we give our neighbour,
God's will is done;
in our world-wide task of caring
for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing,
God's will is done.

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For the harvests of the Spirit,
thanks be to God;
for the good we all inherit,
thanks be to God;
for the wonders that astound us,
for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us,
thanks be to God.

Fred Pratt Green (1903–2000)
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Please join us for refreshments in the Link Room after the service
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