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DURSLEY TABERNACLE URC

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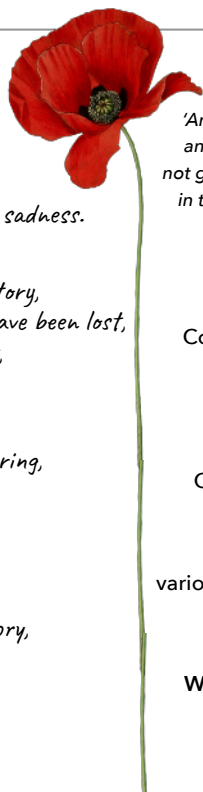
Remembrance Prayer

*Lord, we are saddened at the thought of war,
 of the soldiers who must fight
 and all those people who are killed.
 Today we remember their sacrifice with great sadness.
 We thank them for what they did for us.*

*We also remember that they won for us a victory,
 that without their bravery these wars may have been lost,
 and our lives could have been so very different,
 without the freedom we so much enjoy.
 We thank them for what they did for us.*

*We are saddened at the thought of your suffering,
 that you, too, had to be a great hero,
 and walk to Jerusalem, be arrested, tried
 and killed on that horrible cross.
 We thank you for what you did for us.*

*We also remember that you won for us a victory,
 that on Easter morning you rose again,
 and helped us to overcome our human nature,
 so that we might rise again with you.
 We thank you for what you did for us.
 Amen.*



Tab House Groups

'And let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another' Hebrews 10.24-25

Mondays 7.30pm

29 Hill Road, Dursley GL11 4JQ
 Contact Kathryn Palmer Tel: 542 381
k.j.joric@gmail.com

Wednesdays (fortnightly) 7.30pm

2 Cedar Drive, Dursley, GL11 4EP
 Contact Peggy Tresise Tel: 543 161,
ptresise@yahoo.co.uk

Wednesdays (fortnightly) 7.45pm
 various venues. Contact Heidi Horn Tel:
 07970 871 471
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Wednesdays (fortnightly) at 8.15pm

17 Burnt Oak, Dursley, GL11 4HD
 Contact Will Barrett Tel: 297 613
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NOVEMBER CALENDAR

Mon 5th	Alpha Course	7.30pm Vibe
Tue 6th	Prayer Group	9.30am Chapel
Thu 8th	Elders Meeting	7.30pm Vibe
Mon 12th	Alpha Course	7.30pm Vibe
Tue 13th	Prayer Group	9.30am Chapel
Tue 13th	Knitting Group	2.00pm Comms
Thu 15th	Worship Team Meeting	7.30pm
Sat 17th	Christmas Fayre	10-12 Church
Mon 19th	Alpha Course	7.30pm Vibe
Tue 20th	Prayer Group	9.30am Chapel
Tue 20th	Women's Guild	2.00pm Church
Thu 22nd	EcoChurch Meeting	7.30pm TBC
Sat 24th	Living with Dementia	10am-4pm
Mon 26th	Alpha Course	7.30pm Vibe
Tue 27th	Prayer Group	9.30am Chapel
Thu 29th	Bible Class	7.30pm

Learning About Dementia

*Exploring being a dementia-friendly church
 Responding practically 9.30 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.*

On Saturday 24th November 2018

At Dursley Tab

led by Charlotte Overton-Hart, Livability Associate,
 Mhari McLintock, Synod Advocate for Dementia-
 friendly churches and Simon Helme, Gloucestershire
 Area Minister, are working together to deliver
 information and training to enable churches in the
 Synod to respond to the needs of people with dementia.

Livability is "the disability charity that connects people with their communities". They say "We run disability care services and community projects for all ages. Together, and with the people, we put the elements in place that all add up to liveable lives and communities". This day is being led by Charlotte Overton-Hart, who is an Associate working with the charity. She has particular responsibility for community engagement and expertise in dementia awareness.

Charlotte will share information about dementia but will then go on to explore how churches and individuals might respond in practical ways to the needs of people with dementia. Mhari will also share from her lived experience.

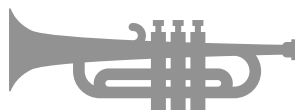
Please book as soon as possible and by 31st October 2018 at the latest.

For further information, contact Mrs Rachel Vernon at the Synod Office by phone 0121 783 1177 or email admin@urcwestmidlands.org.uk or Revd Stuart Scott email tdo@urcwestmidlands.org.uk or phone 0121 442 6325

Cheltenham Silver Band

**will be playing their Christmas Concert at the Tab again on
 Sunday 9th December at 7pm**

Book the date for what is usually a great night of festive music
 and a good fundraiser for the Tab. Ticket price to be confirmed.



Coffee Morning

Saturday Dec 22nd

Gloria and Mike will be hosting a
 coffee morning selling homemade
 cakes, table decorations and holly
 ready for Christmas.

Community Rooms, 10am until 12pm

Vulnerable Adults Safeguarding Training

Safeguarding Training will take place in the Vibe on
 Friday November 2nd 9 till 12.30.

This training is valuable for those who spend time
 with vulnerable adults in the church and community.

Please let Martine know if you're interested

Martine Carter: juliamartine.carter@gmail.com

NOVEMBER WORSHIP

Sunday 4th November 10.30am

Communion Service led by Revd Simon Helme
Theme: Held in God's Hand: Remembrance
Readings: Ecclesiastes 12.1-7; Luke 22.14-20

Sunday 11th November 10.30am

Remembrance Service led by Revd Simon Helme
Theme: Held in God's Hand: Letting Go
Readings: Ecclesiastes 3.1-8; Isaiah 65.17-25

3pm Remembrance Sunday Civic Service at St
 James the Great. Preacher Revd Simon Helme

Sunday 18th November 10.30am

Morning Worship led by Revd Simon Helme
 followed by Church Meeting
Theme: Held in God's Hand: A Future and A Hope.
Readings: Ecclesiastes 12.8-14; Revelation 21.1-4

Sunday 25th November 10.30am

Morning Worship led by Rod Irvine, Preacher Trevor
 Grant from The Leprosy Mission
 There will be a retiring collection for the Leprosy Mission

CHURCH FLOWERS

FLOWERS FOR OCTOBER WERE KINDLY GIVEN BY
 Iain Hearn, Sally Larkham, Thank you
 Shillitoe, Joan Whiting

Donations of money, flowers or foliage are welcomed for
 the church flowers - the flowers form an important part of
 the ministry at the Tab; at the end of the service they are
 distributed to those who are unwell in our community.

Please contact Ronnie Harding if you would like to know
 more or donate flowers in memory of a loved one

Bible Class - ECCLESIASTES

Thursday 29th November 7.30pm in the
 Chapel. A chance to reflect on one of the
 most philosophical and cynical books in the
 Old Testament. What does Ecclesiastes say
 about life, it's meaning and futility, and
 where God is
 in all that?



Tab Cafe is open every Wednesday morning from 10am - 1pm. Fresh home-made cakes, hot drinks & a safe place for supervised children to play



We all have a carbon footprint created by the energy and transport we use, the food we eat, the goods we buy.

There is a growing urgency for us to reduce our footprint where we can, but when we cannot avoid damaging the planet, there is the option of offsetting the harm we do. Christian charity **Climate Stewards**, supports projects in the developing world that you can support to offset your carbon footprint. If you are flying somewhere for example, their website <https://www.climatestewards.org/> enables you to calculate your carbon footprint and what size donation could offset it.



Memory Cafe

We want to explore the possibility of setting up a "Memory Cafe" at the Tab.

A Memory Café is a social gathering place for persons of all ages but especially those with memory loss, mild cognitive impairment, early Alzheimer's, or other dementia and their family and friends. Cafés meet in a relaxed environment to visit, share common interests, and enjoy refreshments.

If you are interested in joining a Working Group to see if such a venture is needed in our Town and whether we can put it on please contact either **Hilary Green** 547191 hilarygreen295@outlook.com or **Gareth Jenkins** 519616

gejenkins.168@btinternet.com

Meeting about Memory Cafe will be held on 8th November at 2pm in the Church. All welcome.

TAB CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 17th November 10am-12.30pm

Help is needed for setting up on the Friday morning please ring Mike and Gloria Pritchard 544885 or gloriapritchard238@gmail.com if you can help or help clearing up after.

There will be a new or nearly new stall with suitable gifts for Christmas, a cake stall, books and toys stall, also there will be Christmas cake decorations for sale.

Coffee and mince pies with cream will be served or cup cakes.

Entrance will be free

Please let us know if you can help on the day or with baking cakes or donating goods for the stalls.



Worship Team Meeting

15th November 7.30pm

Joan Kingham Chapel
Our synod train officer **Stuart Scott** will be joining us to explore training materials for a course of study for those who are interested in growing in their faith and leading worship. All welcome.

More details from Liz Swanwick: liz52crocker@btinternet.com



CHEL TENHAM SILVER BAND

Festive Concert

Sunday 9th December
7.00pm

The Alpha Course

Monday
evenings in the
Vibe

7.30-9pm

Group of the Month

Group: Tuesday Morning Prayer Group

Where: Joan Kingham Chapel

When: Every Tuesday morning 9.30 - 10.00am

The group gathers in the Joan Kingham Chapel each Tuesday morning for an opportunity to come quietly before God and lift to Him prayers for that week for the individual, the church, the community and the world. The group follows a set pattern of morning worship including a psalm and a reading taken from the URC Prayer Handbook. There is an opportunity at the beginning to share concerns or give thanks to help inform people's prayers which are then spoken silently and out loud. Simon, our minister, generally leads the session, but not always and the group still meets when he is unavailable. There is no expectation of regular attendance or to speak. Some people go most weeks, others just occasionally. Some people regularly pray out loud, others prefer to remain silent. Anyone is welcome to attend any week. Coffee or tea is available afterwards.

Regular attendee Gill Watts said:

"I love to go because we can learn who needs our prayers that week. We can leave those prayers and issues on our hearts with the Lord, place them in His hands."



Dursley Tab URC

Parsonage Street, Dursley

Tickets £8.00 for adults
£4.00 for children under 16

Tickets available from Tab Family Cafe (Wednesday mornings)
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Sally 01452 724125
Mandy 07770 211001

FUNDS RAISED EQUALLY SPLIT BETWEEN BAND & CHURCH

