



NEWS JULY 2019

DURSLEY TABERNACLE URC



Tab Cafe open on
Wednesday
mornings 10am-1pm.
New volunteers welcomed
Email or chat to Emma for
more info
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Memory Café
Thursday 11th July
10.30am - 12.30pm

Contact the Minister or Church Secretary
Rev Simon Helme
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secretary@dursleytab.org.uk

Tab House Groups Summer 2019

'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 Meeting fortnightly at 29 Hill Road, Dursley GL11 4JQ Contact Kathryn Palmer Tel: 542381
k.j.joric@gmail.com

Tuesdays (fortnightly) 7.30pm Meeting fortnightly at 7a Windsor Rd, Dursley GL11 4BU Contact Simon Helme Tel: 07443568242 smhelme@gmail.com

Wednesdays (fortnightly) at 8.15pm Meeting at 17 Burnt Oak, Dursley, GL11 4HD Contact Will Barrett Tel: 297613
wmbarratt60@hotmail.com

JULY CALENDAR

Tue 2nd	Prayer Group	9.30am Church
Tue 2nd	Pastoral Elders Meeting	10.15am
Wed 3rd	Art Group	1.30pm Comm
Thur 4th	Funeral of Joy Markey	2.00pm
Thur 4th	Prayer Ministry Training	7.30pm
Thur 4th	Mission & Evang. Team Meeting	11am
Tue 9th	Prayer Group	9.30am Church
Tue 9th	Knitting Group	2.00pm
Wed 10th	Art Group	1.30pm Comm
Thu 11th	Memory Cafe	10.30am
Thu 11th	Elders Meeting	7.30pm Vibe
13th & 14th.	Flower Festival	
Tue 16th	Prayer Group	9.30am Church
Wed 17th	Art Group	1.30pm Comm
Tue 23rd	Prayer Group	9.30am Church
Wed 24th	Art Group	1.30pm Comm
Thu 25th	Reasons for God	7.30pm
Tue 30th	Communion Service	2.00pm Church
Wed 31st	Art Group	1.30pm Comm

Pray & Walk around the Synod

There will be an opportunity to join with members of other URC churches across the West Midlands Synod in an afternoon of prayer, fellowship and walking on Rodborough & Minchinhampton commons. The walk will take place on Saturday 13th July from 12-4pm. Booking is not necessary but an indication of attendance would be welcome.

For further information contact: Rev Marion Thomas hathaway.bear@btinternet.com
07939 992204

JULY WORSHIP

Sunday 7th July 10.30am
Communion Service led by Revd Simon Helme
Theme: Galatians- Life in the Spirit.
Readings: Galatians 6.1-16

6pm Churches Together United Service
Songs of Praise at St Cyrs

Sunday 14th July 10.30am
Morning Worship led by Rev Simon Helme followed by Church Meeting
Theme: Colossians: Have you heard?
Readings: Luke 10.25-37; Colossians 1.1-14

Sunday 21st July 10.30am
Morning Worship led by Rev Simon Helme
Theme: Colossians: Who is Jesus?
Readings: Luke 10.38-42; Colossians 1.15-28

Sunday 28th July 10.30am
Morning Worship led by Rod Irvine,
Preacher Steph Atkins
Theme: Colossians: Rooted in Christ?
Readings: Luke 11.1-13; Colossians 2.6-19

FLOWER FESTIVAL

Wedding & Anniversary

SATURDAY 13TH JULY
10am - 4.00pm

SUNDAY 14TH JULY
1.30pm - 4.00pm

Stunning Floral displays,
and mounted flower
photographs by the
Tyndale Photography
Club.

for more Photographs visit Dursley
Methodist Church which will showing over
200 mounted prints by members of
Tyndale Photography Club
Refreshments (inc light lunches) will be
served at the Methodist Church on
Saturday 13th July

*Refreshments
Served*

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Reasons for God

Four Thursday evenings during the summer to meet up centrally at church and consider reasons for faith. Simon Helme will be looking at a few questions and doubts even ardent believers wrestle with today. He will look at how faith in a Christian God can be reasonable and held by thoughtful people. He will also suggest questions back to encourage the sceptic to pursue faith.

Thursday 25th July 7.30pm

How could a good God allow suffering? There can't be just one true religion?

Thursday 1st August 7.30pm

Christianity is a straitjacket - and the church is responsible for so much injustice and discrimination...

Thursday 8th August 7.30pm

Science has disproved Christianity & How can a loving God send people to hell?

Thursday 15th August 7.30pm

You can't take the Bible literally? How do you know there is a God?



AFTERNOON COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday 30th July 2.00pm

Communion service in the church, in the round, a traditional format and quiet contemplative style. Refreshments served at the end of the service.



Interested in becoming a Church Member? Please speak with Rev Simon



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Summer evenings will soon be arriving and we shall be firing up our barbecues. Try and reduce your 'food miles' and carbon footprint by using locally sourced meat, even better for the environment why not try out vegetarian options such as portobello mushrooms, vegetable kebabs or sweetcorn. Locally produced, sustainable charcoal and eco-friendly firelighters without petrochemicals will also help reduce your environmental impact, as will avoiding using disposable plates and cutlery.



The Churches Together Summer United Service

Sunday 7th July, 6.00pm

and will be preceded by a picnic in an adjacent field from around 4.30pm. Hot drinks will be provided, but please bring your own picnic (which you may share), chairs and rugs (to sit on - hopefully not to keep warm!). The Revd Sophia Acland will be taking the service at St Cyr's which will have a 'Songs of Praise' format.

Each church has been invited to ask one member to suggest a favourite hymn who will be willing to go to the front and briefly explain the reasons for their choice before it is sung.



Tab Site Stuff

We now have wifi access across the site. To connect, search for TheTabWifi (there is an alternative address which may prove better for older devices which is TheTabWifi24GHz). Both operate with the same password which is **tub-dwell-keen**

Please note that the light in the toilet in the church foyer now uses a sensor to automatically turn on and off. The light switch is still in situ but will not work - the light will go off by itself after approx two minutes. The change has been made as the light was frequently being left on.

Helme Silver Wedding Party

The Helme's are all organised for their Silver Wedding Party on the 6th July. If you're coming, it would be really helpful if you could bring picnic blankets and garden chairs with you if you have them...no worries if not!

Building Work

Stevensons Building Contractors have started work on the renovation of the upstairs kitchen, upper hall and upper Parsonage and will be on site until the end of August 2019.

They will be using the Garden of Rest as their main site entrance and access in other areas should not be affected.

It is possible that Community Rooms users will encounter construction staff on the path between the road and the garden entrance, or in the garden itself, during working weekday hours. If anyone has any questions or concerns about the activities of the builders or the impact of the construction work on their activities, they should contact Carole Allen on 07790 354 111.

ROTAS	7th July	14th July	21st July	28th July	4th August	11th Aug
DUTY ELDER	Emma	Kathryn	Martine	Gareth	Rod	Gray
VESTRY ELDER	Liz	Rod	Kathryn	Clare	Emma	Gareth
1ST READING	Peggy	Gill	Betty	Peggy	Liz	Zoe
2ND READING	Emma	Vic	Caroline S	Terry	Iain	Peggy
AUDIO DESK	Andy	Nathan	Rod	Dennis	David	Christine
FLOWER ARRANGER	Christina	Georgina	Maggie	Ronnie	Gloria	Christina
FLOWER DISTRIBUTOR	Enid	Sylvia	Hilary	Carol B	Maggie	Ronnie
WELCOME TEAM	Martine Hilary	Gareth Carol	Graham Gray	Joyce Betty	Gareth Carol	Martine Hilary
PRAYER TEAM	Simon Betty	Gray Elaine	Peggy Jackie	Martine Hilary	Simon Betty	Peggy Jackie
COFFEE ROTA	Shona Rod	Edna Pat	Ron Gareth	Glo & Mike	Shona Rod	Sylvia Carole S
FAIRTRADE STALL	Ron & Liz	Clare & David	Michelle	Bobbie	Ron & Liz	Clare & David
COMMUNION PREP	Sally				Martine	
COMMUNION SERVERS	Clare, Liz, Steve, Kathryn				Kathryn, Gareth, Rod, Martine	

Junior Church	7th July	14th July	21st July	28th July	4th Aug	11th Aug
TAB TOO LEADER	Bobbie	Emma	Bobbie	Amiee	Bobbie	Carolyn
Tab TOO HELPER	Carol B	Jackie	Andy	Hannah	Clare	Jo
Flexi Helper	Aimee	W/T Barrett	Carol B	Carolyn	Jackie	Clare
Creche	Maggie	Karen	Pat	Martine	Michelle	Carol B
Tab Youth Leader	Vix	Rod	Vix	Vix	Vix	Vix
Tab Youth Helper	Gordon	Liz	Heidi	Emma	Gordon	Liz