



notice sheet...

Sunday 25th January - Jeff Thomas

Sunday 1st February - Marie-Anne Kent (Communion)

*Tea and coffee are served after morning worship. Please join us in further fellowship.
There is a crèche for children under 3, and Sunday Club for school aged children.*

To contact our Minister...

Please email Rev Marie-Anne Kent on **marie-anne.kent@methodist.org.uk**

Church Room Bookings

All enquiries to Helen Ainsworth.

sandylandschurchbookings@gmail.com

Helen will try to respond within 3 working days.

Something for the Notices or Facebook?

If you'd like something including, email;

sandylandsnotices@gmail.com

Please send before 6pm Thursday.

NOTICES

From February onwards we will be looking to move to a Monthly Notices sheet, therefore anything you would like including for February (and beyond), please share with the email address above.

AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday 7th February

The next afternoon tea will be Saturday 7th February.

Tickets will be £15 for adults due to increased prices over the last 2 years children are still free but expected to work for their tea. Money to be split between Beach Mission, Messy Church and

Sunday Club primarily to pay for materials to make some larger nativity costumes

as I had problems fitting some of the children in.

Please speak to Jenny Mellor to reserve your place

DROP IN CAFE

Wednesdays, 10am - Noon

Do pop in on a Wednesday morning between 10 and 12 for a cuppa and a cake... and a chat.

We'd love to see you!

Over the past few months we have been supporting All We Can (The Methodist Relief and Development Fund) from the donations received from our 'customers', and by the end of the year were able to purchase alternative gifts of the value of £150 for projects in various parts of Africa: for 2 toilets; vocational training for prisoners; and chickens to help start a family business. The charity we hope to support for the next term will be Macmillan cancer care. This was at the request of one of our regulars who has a family member receiving support from Macmillan

SANDGATE HALL CLEANING

There have been a few people who have spoken to me about Sandgate Hall. Some of the users have had to sweep the hall before they could start their sessions as there were tiny bits from craft activities or baking sessions on the floor that could be eaten by small children. I clean on Tuesday and Thursday mornings now so if any groups that use Sandgate Hall on a regular basis could give it a quick sweep after their session I would be most grateful. Thank you in advance, Jane

CELEBRATING ANNE PATER'S ADMISSION AS A LOCAL PREACHER

Sunday 8th February, 3:30pm - Stricklandgate

On Sunday 8th February there will be a special service celebrating the admission of Anne Pater as a Local Preacher. It will be held at Stricklandgate Methodist Church at 3:30pm. The service will be led by Revd. David Newlove and the preacher will be Revd. Mike Harrison. A number of long service certificates will also be given out to local preachers during the service. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

A BIG THANK YOU

To Everyone!

May we please take this very belated opportunity to give a huge - to quote "One Big Thank You" to EVERYONE at Sandylands Methodist Church for everything you did to welcome Causeway, LifeSteps, Friends & Tuesday Clubs into your Church to celebrate our Christmas Carol Service all supporting age 18+ with Special Needs, you wrapped your arms around us and welcomed each and everyone - we filled the Church! on what was a very dark, wet and windy afternoon but inside the Christmas Star reflected from all & lightened and brightened the darkest of days! The beautiful Church decorations by Liz set the scene perfectly, the Christmas lights twinkling brightly!

What a joyous way to celebrate the birth of Jesus - the true spirit of Christmas - our way!! It was happy, it was funny, the story serious in places, it was very endearing & many found very touching.

So, special thanks to Marie-Anne & John Campbell who led and guided us through our Nativity Story with at times - fun navigation!

Also to our amazing Live Band - every single one of you played superbly and we can't thank you enough for all your help and support!

To Anne-Marie too for her amazing skills with our tech support and afterwards into Sandgate Hall we went - well what can we say but our most grateful thanks to Jen Mellor who valiantly undertook the task to make & bake well over 100 mince pies for us to enjoy with not only one but with four different toppings - what a treat! Thanks to Jen & Sylvia for our lovely refreshments.

And many thanks to you all for coming along and supporting us, many came from Church - curious to see what we were all about and went home with gladdened happy hearts & minds - we all did!

Same time next year then??? Yes please!!!

Many thanks from all our amazing Groups - am sure you'll agree - what a super talented bunch they are and as Harry always quotes - "it's team work that makes the dream work" and it did - thank you everyone!

On our collection plates we had £202.00 shared between Church & our Clubs.

Wishing you all every blessing for 2026.