

# Glenfield Methodist Church



**Sunday 31 March 2024**

**Easter Sunday**

## **Today's Lectionary Bible readings**

Acts 10.34-43; Psalm 118.1-2,14-24; 1 Corinthians 15.1-11; **Mark 16.1-8**

*(The women who come to Jesus' tomb early on Sunday morning find it opened and empty.*

*They see a young man in white robes, who tells them that Jesus is raised. They are to tell the disciples to go to Galilee where they will meet Jesus, risen as he had told them. With little else to go on (as yet),*

*the women are both amazed and terrified, and afraid to speak to anyone)*

## **Services today**

**10.15am – a service of Holy Communion, led by Revd Helen Bell**

At some point during the service, we will decorate the Cross with the fresh flowers we have brought.

**Please pray** for those leading worship today especially Helen and Dave. For Irene, as she travels to Ghana for her mum's funeral, and for all her family. For June, recovering at home, and for Norman. For all who grieve and are sad at this time. For those living in war zones or under the threat of terror. For people without enough food to eat or water to drink. For all who work to make life better for others.

**Monday Coffee & Chat – 10am-12noon** – meeting this Bank Holiday, as usual. All welcome.

## **Memory Café - Thursday 2pm-3.30pm**

We will be welcoming those who have registered to attend once again for this monthly meeting, when, after a short time of worship, a representative from Age UK will be coming to talk about the services they offer. There will also be songs and a craft activity. If anyone in our church fellowship feels they could offer to help once or twice per quarter, either by serving drinks or handing out name badges etc, please let Revd Helen or Justin Moulder know. You could also speak to Linda or Wally, Jane or Peter, Anne Fenton, Sheilagh Lake or Janet Moulard, who know how the sessions run.

## **Lent Studies: extended**

We have reached chapter 5 of our Lent Studies book, 'Revive Us Again', on 'Grace'.

We resume our meetings after Easter on Tuesday 9 and Wednesday 10 April for six more weeks and the remaining six chapters. This would make an appealing series for any who have not attended our high-quality meetings so far. Is this something you could do to as a 'Means of Grace' [Chapter 5!].

## **Date for your diary: Saturday 13 April, 10am-2pm - Community Open Day**

Displays will be on show from both internal and external users of our building, with refreshments available.

**Heavenly Father**, as we celebrate the Resurrection today, we remember that, because of your great love, Jesus died for us. We are sorry for the things we do that take our focus away from you. Thank you that you love us so much and came to find us, to bring us back to you and to give us a fresh start. And as we go into the new week, help us to remember your new life and live as people with something to celebrate. Amen.

*(Roots on the Web)*

Our **Easter/April Charity is Methodist World Missions** - *Caring for people around us, globally.* The Methodist Way of Life commitments include 'We will care for ourselves and people around us'. Through our global relationships in the Methodist Church, the World Mission Fund (WMF) is able to support 107 partner churches and organisations in Africa, Europe, Latin America, the Caribbean, Asia and the Pacific in their mission and ministry to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission. They do this through evangelism, mission work, schools, hospitals, environmental projects, emergency situations, administration, training and much more. Please see how to make a donation in the Newsletter.

### **Vacancy - Assistant Lead Chaplain (Gift of Years Project, Rugby)**

East Mercia Circuit is seeking to fill a vacancy for an Assistant Lead Chaplain for this project. The post is fixed term (3 years) and part time (15 hours per week), with the pay being £13 per hour.

Application packs are available from Kate Tennyson ([methodistcircuit@gmail.com](mailto:methodistcircuit@gmail.com); 07716185395).

The closing date for completed applications is 5pm on Monday 15 April 2024, with interviews of shortlisted candidates being held on Wednesday 24 April 2024.

### **Room Bookings this week at GMC**

Monday 9.30am-12.30pm – Coffee & Chat (Lounge & Foyer); 7pm-10pm – Coop Choir *outside booking* (Church)

Tuesday 7.45pm – Bradley Dance *outside booking* (Hall)

Wednesday 10am-1pm – Property Meeting (Lounge); 6.30pm-9.30pm Glenfield Drama Group *outside booking* (Hall)

Thursday 1pm-4.30pm – Memory Café (Lounge); 7.30pm – Adult Tap *outside booking* (Hall);

Thursday 7.30pm-9.30pm – Trefoil *outside booking* (Lounge)

Saturday 10am-11am – Prayer Meeting (Church/Library); 9.30am-1.30pm – Dance Class *outside booking* (Hall);

Saturday 3pm-6pm – Glenfield Drama Group *outside booking* (Hall)

Sunday 12.30pm-3.30pm – Party *outside booking* (Hall)

### **Useful contacts:**

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