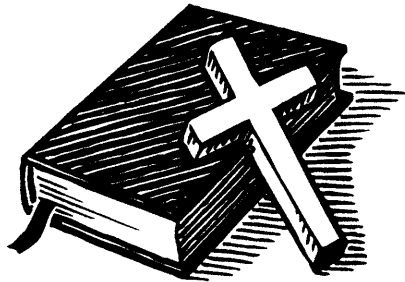


THE METHODIST CHURCH
College Street
Burnham-on-Sea

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Minister - Revd Steve Bennett 01278 784808



Sunday 18 March 2018
10:30am: Daphne Hill
Lent 5 - All Age Worship Service

Organist: Des Mitchell

Stewards: Marian & Joan Greeting: Dorothy

4:30pm: Revd Steve Bennett

We welcome everyone to our Church, especially those of you who are visitors. Please join us for coffee/tea and a biscuit after the Morning Service.

Prayer: Lord, may all who seek your presence find you; may all who long for your acceptance know your peace; and may all who ask for forgiveness and healing be blessed.
Amen

Reading: John 15: 5-17

The Flowers

The flowers this week have been arranged by Angela from Rosemary's Florists in memory of her Nan.

The Offertory

The Offertory on 11 March was £210-02 plus the regular direct debits and standing orders.

The Easter Offering envelopes are available.

Gift Aid

Thank you to everyone who has told me that they pay tax so we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you donate. If you pay tax we can claim this extra money if you use the envelope scheme, pay by direct debit or standing order. We can also claim for some of the money put in the weekly offertory. Unfortunately we cannot claim for any money donated by direct debit or standing order unless you have told us you are a tax payer. For the tax year 2016-2017 the church received £5,900 back from the government.

If you would like to know more about Gift Aid please talk to me (Marian Foster) or Geoff Stait.

If you want to join the weekly envelope scheme please talk to Barbara Williams who will be able to help you.

Thank you all for your donations over the years.

Marian Foster

Dates for your Diary: March - April 2018

TODAY is the last day for the April 2018 LINK

Mon 19th 2:30pm Afternoon Tea, cake & chat
All welcome - bring a friend

Mon 19th 7pm Stewards Meeting

The last session of this 5 week Lent course is on Tuesday 20 March at 7:30pm, at the Baptist Church. It is entitled "*Whole Life Worship*" and is open to all.

Sat 24th 10-12 Shoppers Coffee Morning

Tues 27th 7:30pm Jeff Lucas Evening at Berrow Church

Advance date: - Wednesday 25 April at 7pm in church

A photo show "Burnham Then & Now"

presented by John Strickland

Tickets £5 from Dorothy May 01278 784204

"The Lenten Cross"

Each Sunday morning during Lent, a different symbol associated with Christ's final journey to Jerusalem will be placed on the small table at the foot of the Lenten Cross. Each symbol together with a related passage of scripture is intended to guide our thoughts as we seek to focus on the places and events that led Jesus to the Cross.

The 7 symbols used are:- a platter & chalice, a bowl & towel, a bag of money, a whip, a palm branch, and a crown of thorns with a purple robe.

On Easter morning the symbols will be removed and the Lenten Cross will be brightly decorated with flowers. Please bring one or two flowers to reflect the hope, joy and expectation at the news that Jesus was raised from the dead and is alive.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE CHURCH

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| SUNDAY WORSHIP | 10.30am |
| SUNDAY CLUB | 10.30am |
| CHOIR PRACTICE | Thursday at 9.30am |
| WEDNESDAY GROUP | 1 st Wed each month at 7:30pm |
| THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP | 1 st & 3 rd Thursday 2.30pm (September-May) |
| MUMS & TODDLERS CLUB | Friday 9.45am-11.30am: term time |
| LINK VILLAGES' FELLOWSHIP | 2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays each month 2.30pm at East Brent Church |

A thought!

Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away!

Services on 25 March 2018 10:30am: Revd Jim McKnight *Palm Sunday*

**3:00pm Service at top of Brent Knoll
followed by a Service at St. Mary's
Church in East Brent.**

Induction Loops are installed in the Church and Schoolroom for hearing aid users. Please use "T" position on your aid.

**A large print bible and large print hymn
books are available from the stewards**

Mobile Phones

Have you remembered to switch off your mobile phone?