Salisbury Methodist Church Notices for this week – December 10th 2023

Sunday 10th

10.30 Streamed service led by Mr Dan Bishop - CHYPS

3.00 Mixed Blessings

4.00 CLICK! Faith through photos – All Welcome

Monday 11th

5.30 - 7.30 The Listening Place

Tuesday 12th

10.00 Toddlers

2.15 Sarum Fellowship – All Welcome

Wednesday 13th

9.45 – 10.15 Church Prayer Group

10.00 -12.00 Coffee in the welcome area & Fairtrade

10.00 -12.00 The Listening Place

10.30 Belletones

Thursday 14th

1.30 CAMEO Buffet Lunch

7.30 Carol Service Choir rehearsal

Saturday 16th

10.00 -12.00 The Listening Place

10.00 -12.00 Coffee in the welcome area & The Food Bank

Sunday 17th

8.00 Holy Communion	led by Revd Dr Mark Cheetham
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9.00 Church Family Breakfast

10.30 Nativity service led by Revd Andew de Ville

This service will not be streamed.

6.00 Streamed Carol service led by Revd Anna Bishop

Items for inclusion in the next Sunday's notices should be sent to notices@salisburymethodist.org.uk.

Winterslow Methodist Church Candlelight service on Saturday, 16th December at 3pm, which will be the final service in their building. All are invited. BUT to help with their preparations they need to know how many people to expect. Please tell Jacqui Saunders or Liz Chick if you are hoping to join them TODAY.

Write For Rights 2023: Details of this year's campaign by Amnesty UK is given in the current church newsletter and also displayed on the boards in the corridor. Please take a moment to read these details ahead of the opportunity to send a card or two TODAY after coffee.

Sarum Fellowship will meet for our Christmas meeting to share our favorite readings, carols, etc. on Tuesday, 12th December at 2.15pm in Room 1. All are welcome to come and share with us.

A huge 'thank you' to the Belletones and the marvelous singers and collectors, about 40 of us in all, who gathered at Waitrose last Sunday. We raised the grand sum of £247.17 for Action for Children.

Hakuna Matata Choir Advance notice that a vibrant choir of 15 children and 4 adults from Kenya are hoping to visit our church on June 29th to July 1st July 2024. Funds are being raised for a Kenyan orphanage. We will need approximately 10 host families for 3 or 4 nights. If this is something you or your friends would like to consider, please talk to Judy Johnson or Liz Chick.

NATIVITY on the GREEN 2023 'MICHAEL MOUSE' FRIDAY 15th DECEMBER at 6pm HAMPTON PARK PAVILION, BISHOPDOWN. If you can help with this exciting mission, please contact Linda Hayman. Many thanks.

On Saturday 16th December 4.15-4.45pm outside Salisbury Library there will be another Candlelight Vigil for a permanent Ceasefire for Gaza, Israel and the West Bank Palestinian Territories Please bring candles, jars and lanterns.

Church Family Breakfast. – please join the Church family for breakfast before the 10.30 service or after the 8.00 communion.

Justice and Peace Meeting - Tues 21st November 1pm-3pm at Bemerton MC. Please come to this open meeting to explore how we, as the people called Methodists in this area, can be God's agents for bringing about justice and peace in our homes, churches and communities, in our country and for all the world. We would like more people to be part of the conversation, so we warmly invite you to come. If you are interested in this meeting, but are not available during daytimes, please email revannabishop@gmail.com and we will try to adjust the times of future meetings to be accessible to as many people as possible.

Alabaré warmly invites you to our Celebration Service with Carols on

Wednesday 13th December at 4pm to 5.30pm here at SMc. Retiring collection for Alabaré. Hot drinks and mince pies.

Methodists for World Mission Israel/Palestine webinar

John Howard, Angleena Kaizer and David Hardman, who have all served at the Methodist Liaison Office in Jerusalem, will speak about the situation in Israel/Palestine in a webinar with Methodists for World Mission on Sunday 10 December at $7.00 \, \text{pm} - 8.30 \, \text{pm}$.

To register please complete the online form by going to the webpage and you will be sent a link for the webinar in advance.

The link is: https://forms.office.com/e/6K6FdcfuqA

Salisbury Methodist Church Outreach Worker with Children and Families (permanent)

Hours of work: 28 per week, to be worked flexibly

Pay: £12.89 per hour (Equivalent to £26,811 pro rata)

Normal place of work: Salisbury Methodist Church,

The purpose of the role is to sustain and develop activities and new initiatives which respond to the needs of children and families, both within the life of the Church and the wider community.

Closing date for application is 22nd January 2024 at 12 noon Interviews w/c 29th January 2024

See the poster for more information.

These alternative words for O Little Town of Bethlehem were on the Methodist Women in Britain Facebook page. Written by Jo Anne Roy Trelawey.

O little town of Bethlehem,
So still in our minds' eye
With candle lights and starlit nights,
And angels drawing nigh.
Yet in thy dark streets soundeth
The echoed wails of grief,
Of ancient fears, of bombs and tears,
Of agony and strife.

For Christ was born of Mary
And Joseph, born in love;
But soldiers came, in someone's name,
With something left to prove.
So Mary brought up Jesus
In lands broken and cursed,
To preach and sing of no more kings,
Of peace to all the Earth.

How desperately, how desperately
That peace is needed now,
Which Love imparts to human hearts
To flower and to grow.
Our ears are numbed by anguish,
Cries from this world of sin.
Our weak souls yearn to feel the burn
Of Sacred Power within.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Reveal to us thy Way
Of justice, peace, and healing Grace;
Be born in us today.
We are the Christmas angels;
Help us glad tidings tell.
O walk with us, shine forth through us:
Each one, Emmanuel!