

MISSION STATEMENT

“We are here to worship God as disciples of Jesus; to welcome, love and serve the community, and to share our faith in God”.

TODAY'S SERVICE

10.30am Revd Michael Ridley

NEXT WEEK'S SERVICE

10.30am Mrs Ruth Hatton

ANNUAL REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS

Could Secretaries and Treasurers of the Church Groups please let Stephanie have their reports and accounts by **next Sunday, 30 January** – via email if possible? (ivorsteph@ivorsteph.com). The Church's Annual Report and Accounts will be available in church in March, ready for the Church AGM on Wednesday 20 April.

ACCESS TO THE BUILDING

Please note that there will be no admittance to the building on Wednesday 26 and Thursday 27 January. This is owing to remedial work being carried out in the corridor to rectify the damage associated with the leak in the flat roof. The corridor will be cleared after today's service; any help would be most gratefully received.

TARPORLEY GARDEN CENTRE

We are meeting at Tarporley Garden Centre this Tuesday at 1.30pm. The Carvery will be available, as will toasted teacakes if you would prefer something lighter. You are warmly invited to join us if you are able.

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH, OVER

23 January, 2022

Tue 1.30pm Adult Institute
1.30pm Tarporley Garden Centre
5.00pm Cubs
Wed 5.00pm Beavers – followed by the Scouts
Thur 5.00pm Rainbows
6.30pm Brownies

Please pray for Simone as she leads worship at Queen Street, Middlewich URC this morning as part of her training to become a lay preacher. Please ask God to support Simone in her continued commitment to serving Him.

Sincere thanks for the cards, flowers, gifts, and good wishes received on my birthday. I had quite a hectic few days celebrating, but after a short rest, I am counting the days to the next one! Love and my thanks to all. Eileen

Please keep in your prayers all those who are sick, lonely, bereaved, depressed or who have personal or family problems.

TODAY'S PRAYER

Lord God, light up the things we need to see,
brush to one side the things we need to put out of
our minds,
show us the doors we need to open
and the paths we need to take.
And be beside us as we go
so that the work we do is Your work,
and the roads are Your roads,
leading to Your presence.
We ask it in the name of Your son, our brother,
Jesus Christ. Amen

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ELECTION OF ELDERS

Gwen Bushill and Stephanie Smith have both completed their 3 year term of office. We thank them for their hard work and dedication to serving the church over a number of years. Gwen has decided to step down from the Eldership and Stephanie has said that she is prepared to stand for re-election. Since Val stepped down last year, and no-one replaced her on the Eldership, the team is now understaffed. We are looking for ideally a minimum of three people to stand for election probably for a period of 3 years but it could be less. Nomination forms are now available in church for you to name persons who could serve the church in this way. Please prayerfully consider who you might nominate for this essential work. The Eldership relies on the good will of members, who love God, to organise the day to day running of the premises. You do not have to be an expert in anything as the Elders work together as a team. Completed nomination forms should be returned to an Elder by Sunday 27 February. If you are wondering if God is calling you to this important work please speak to an Elder or Garry to find out more about what is involved.

OVERVIEW

Please note that items for inclusion in the joint February/March edition of Overview should be with Sally by the end of **today, 23 January 2022**. Thank you.

STAMPS

Ann will be collecting used stamps again this Christmas (until the end of February); please give your stamps to Ann or Lesley.