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Outlook

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LONDON ROAD, HORSHAM -PARTRIDGE GREEN-ST ANDREW'S, ROFFEY

The monthly news for 
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*Embracing the worshipping communities at
London Road Horsham, Partridge Green
and St Andrews Roffey*



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A Word from one of our Ministers

Friends,

Driving around this past weekend, for the stationing visit, I have twice enjoyed driving a particular stretch of road around Dorking where there is a glorious tunnel of autumnal trees on a hill close to the golf course: I'm sure that many of you will know it too. The rich brown leaves are forming layers on the ground and the magnificent hues still on the trees are just beautiful in the sunlight. Autumn is in its full glory.

Autumn is a beautiful time of year, but it is a time of change, a time when we must let go of the heat of the sun and embrace the winter chill – it helps if we have warm homes and good food in order to endure that, but there is no getting away from autumn as a time of change. We can't keep the leaves on the trees however hard we wish or try. But the dropping of the leaves makes room for the fresh growth of spring: our God is a creator God and we are made in God's image, so we are creators too – and we are called to enter into creation alongside God, each in our own way, however big or small. The deep roots of the trees enable them to survive the winter and live again into the spring. Our own rootedness in God is what will enable us to live through these times of transition and to bloom again in the spring.

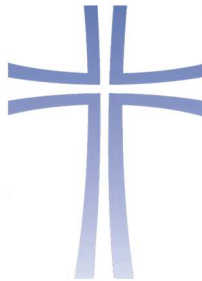
We are in the midst now of the third round of "Your Place at the Table" conversations, and we have had some great opportunities to share and to listen to one another – were you there? In the last round we particularly thought about the President's call on the Church to "Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed." (Isaiah 1.17a) and we explored the national call to be a "growing, inclusive, evangelistic, justice-seeking church" which opened up some helpful conversations.

In this season of Church life, there may be some things which are falling away, just as the leaves are falling now: remember though that those leaves enrich the soil and encourage and support the new growth, so nothing is ever truly lost, but just built upon again and again. By deepening our roots, we will be able to grow into the next season with strong shoots.

As we follow the Lectionary readings year after year, and they take us through the pattern of Jesus' life, it might be tempting to just go with that flow but there is a constant invitation to go deeper each time, to encounter God afresh and in new and different ways with each trip around the sun, and with each journey through the Son's life with us. As we enter Advent now, there is an opportunity to go deeper, to consider more, to draw closer. I pray that this Advent and Christmas is a precious time of encounter and discipleship afresh for us all.

Blessings,

Sarah



Seeking to follow Jesus in Community, Love and Service
*We are a community of people seeking to follow Jesus, experiencing and sharing
God's love and grace through worship, learning, caring and serving in our
communities and beyond.*



*In our prayers
we remember*



Jean Atkinson, Anita Burton, Sue Conroy,
Helen and Ian Currington, Heather Derry, Sue Frogley, Pat Goadby,
Susan and Mervyn Halliday, Jean Hayler, Chris and Fiona Holmes, Pauline Homewood,
Joy and Ron Johnson, Barbara and Geoff Lunn, Lorna and Mike Manwaring,
Margaret and John Moon, Rita and Ian Murray, Corrie Mould, Garry Poole,
Ray Reeves, Liz and Jim Sear, Maureen and Paul Smith, Wendy Smith, Judy Stokes,
Brian Tjasink [*Angela Hancocks brother*], Elaine and Mike Tunbridge, Con Wells,
Pearl Willcox, Beryl Woodward and Tanya



We remember the passing of

Jill Moore

from our Partridge Green community

Our thoughts are with George Moore and family

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1 December

LR	Revd Gavin Hancocks	10.30am	Communion
	Advent Carols	4.00pm	
PG	Bob Boyce	10.30am	
StAR	Deacon Sarah Pitkeathly	10.30am	

8 December

LR	Deacon Sarah Pitkeathly	10.30am	
PG	ST Michaels	11.00am	
StAR	Jay Dunning	10.30am	

15 December

LR	Christine Lawley	10.30am	
PG	Clive Falla	10.30am	
StAR	Revd Gavin Hancocks	10.30am	Communion

22 December

LR	Revd Sue Conroy	10.30am	
	Carols by Candlelight	7.00pm	
PG	Revd Gavin Hancocks	10.30am	
StAR	Deacon Sarah Pitkeathly	10.30am	
	Messy Nativity	3.00pm	

29 December

LR	Ian George		United Service with StAR
PG	<i>Local Appointment</i>		
StAR	Ian George		United Service with LR



5 January

LR	Revd Gavin Hancocks	10.30am	Covenant Service
PG	Revd Sue Conroy	10.30am	
StAR	Deacon Sarah Pitkeathly	10.30am	

12 January

LR	Deacon Sarah Pitkeathly	10.30am	
PG	Revd Gavin Hancocks	10.30am	Covenant Service
StAR	Bob Boyce	10.30am	

19 January

LR	Clive Falla	10.30am	
PG	Revd Chrissie Millwood	10.30am	
StAR	Revd Gavin Hancocks	10.30am	Covenant Service

26 January

LR	Jay Dunning	10.30am	Creative Worship
PG	Deacon Sarah Pitkeathly	10.30am	
StAR	Ian George	10.30am	

DORKING AND HORSHAM CIRCUIT (36/10) PLAN :

		DECEMBER					JANUARY				FEBRUARY			
		1st	8th	15th	22nd	29th	5th	12th	19th	26th	2nd	9th	16th	23rd
		1st Sunday of Advent	2nd Sunday of Advent	3rd Sunday of Advent	4th Sunday of Advent	1st Sunday of Christmas	2nd Sunday of Christmas	Sunday after Epiphany	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Leatherhead SF-F	18:30		Café Carols		Blue Xmas 3:30pm	LA	Early Bird	New Fire			Early Bird	New Fire		
Cobham UC R&S SF-MP Sof1&2	09:00	Early Bird				LA	Early Bird				Early Bird			
	10:30	White	Balsdon S	Gibb	Dunning		Gibb	Balsdon S + COV	Gerhold	Hancocks	Sincair	Millwood S	Crawford	Horneyr
Effingham SF-F H&P SF1&2	10:00	Balsdon S	Horneyr	US @ LMC	George	Balsdon US with PC	Balsdon S + COV	Frost	US @ LMC	Wild	Lawley	George	US @ LMC	Dunning
Cornerstone London Road SF-F H&P SF1&2	10:30	Hancocks S	S Pitkeathly Gift	Lawley	Conroy	George US with STAR	Hancocks COV S	S Pitkeathly	Falla	Dunning CW	Hancocks S	S Pitkeathly	D Pitkeathly	Lawley
Cornerstone Partridge Green SF-F HP SF1&2	10:30	Boyce	@ St Michaels	Falla	Hancocks	LA	Conroy	Hancocks COV S	Millwood	S Pitkeathly	Falla	Hancocks S	Boyce	S Pitkeathly
Cornerstone St Andrew's SF-F SF1&2	10:30	S Pitkeathly	Dunning	Hancocks S	S Pitkeathly	US @ LR	S Pitkeathly	Boyce	Hancocks COV S	George	S Pitkeathly	Dunning	Conroy S	Hancocks
	15:00							Messy Nativity					Messy Church	

Key Abbreviations:

CA - Church Anniversary COV - Covenant Service CW - Creative Worship GS - Gift Service P - Parade Service S - Holy Communion US - United Service

		December						January	
		3rd	15th	19th	21st	22nd	24th	25th	19th
Leatherhead								10am	
Cobham			Carol Service 6pm				Crib Service 4pm Midnight in Bethlehem 9:30pm	Balsdon 10am	
Effingham						Carols round the Tree 3pm		Balsdon 11am	Ecumenical Scores of Praise 4pm
Cornerstone - LR							Christingle 4pm	S Pitkeathly 10am	
Cornerstone - PG		Songs of Praise 3pm			Community Carols 3pm			D Pitkeathly 10am	
Cornerstone - StAR				Blue Xmas 7:30pm			Family Fun 3pm	Hancocks 10am	

CHRISTMAS SERVICES



Cornerstone London Road

Sunday 1st December 4pm Advent Carol Service
Sunday 22nd December 7pm Carols by Candlelight
Christmas Eve 4pm Christingle Service
Christmas Day 10am Christmas Morning Worship

Cornerstone St Andrews

Advent lunch and conversations [commenced Wed 27th Nov] 12 noon for 4 weeks
Thursday 19th December 7.30pm Blue Christmas (reflective service)
Sunday 22nd December 3pm Messy Nativity (Booking needed)
Christmas Eve 3pm Christmas Eve Family Fun
Christmas Day 10am Christmas Morning Worship

Cornerstone Partridge Green

Tuesday 3rd December 3pm Songs of Praise and Tea
Saturday 21st December 3pm Christmas Carols and Tea
Christmas Day 10am Christmas Morning Worship

Horsham Churches Together

**Carols in the Carfax
with the Slinfold Concert Band**

14th December
11.00am Festive Music
11.30am Carol Service
12.15pm Festive Music



ADVENT REFLECTIONS OVER LUNCH

SOUP & ROLL PROVIDED

CORNERSTONE ADVENT LUNCHES AT ST ANDREWS

JOIN US AS WE CONSIDER ALL THAT ADVENT
MEANS

12-1PM FOR FOUR WEDNESDAYS THROUGH
ADVENT, STARTING 27TH NOVEMBER

FREE OF CHARGE, DONATIONS WELCOME
PROCEEDS GO TO CORNERSTONE COMMUNITY
MISSION FUND

Contact Deacon Sarah:
deacon@dhcircuit.org

Cornerstone Methodist Church is a Registered Charity: 1134052

Christmas card exchange



The above will take place on
**Sundays 8th, 15th & 22nd
December 2024**

Any donations received will go to
support Karibuni Children

Dave & Judy Durrant

NOTE:

For those **not sending individual Christmas cards** but still wishing to send
Christmas Greetings to friends at Cornerstone,
a Christmas and New Year card

will be available in **The Meeting Place** from late November for them to sign

Any donations received will go to support Karibuni Children



Cornerstone Nativity Festival

London Road Chapel

is hosting a

Nativity Festival

on

14th December

from 12.00pm until 4.00pm

and

15th December

Afternoon Teas (Booking essential £5 each)

Come along and see the display of family nativity sets
as well as those made specially for the weekend

Can you help us, please?

The events team, community connexion, are looking for some help for the Nativity Festival on the weekend of Dec 13, 14 and 15.

On the Friday, we would like help to move tables into the church and a few chairs out.

On the Sunday, we are hoping some people can stay after the morning service and help arrange the tables and chairs needed for afternoon tea.

We are also looking for volunteers to make scones and cakes for the tea. We are hosting for 40 people. Then we shall clear up on Monday. If you can help, please contact the team at cc@cornerstone-mc.org.uk or talk to Sarah.

Please watch out for the postcards coming soon and give them out to your friends and family. This is an event aimed at our local community.



Christmas is loud isn't it?
So much expectation.
So many voices.
Telling us how to celebrate.
What to wear, what to eat
and drink, what to watch
and what to buy.

This Christmas we're inviting everyone to hush the noise.
To listen for the love song that the angels bring,
this and every year.
They sang it for the first time more than 2,000 years ago,
on the midnight clear.
They're just waiting for us to join in.

This year our Advent and Christmas services at Cornerstone
will be using resources from the
Methodist Church's Christmas Campaign, **Hush the Noise**,
based on the Christmas carol
It came upon the midnight clear.

Discover daily Advent and
Christmas reflections at
methodist.org.uk/HushTheNoise



The Methodist Church 

Not able to access or use this online
resource?

Do let us know and we will try to provide
some alternative reflection materials in a
different format.

Please speak to Christine Lawley.



CARE MISSION TEAM
Birthday Tea Party

Birthday Teas for
December birthdays
will be held on

Wednesday 4th December
3pm
at the Manse

Birthday Teas for
January and February birthdays
will be held on

Wednesday 5th February
3pm
at the Manse

Invitations will be sent out



Cornerstone
Methodist Church
at Partridge Green
Every Friday for 7
weeks from the 3rd
of January,
excluding the 14th
of February

10.15am start

£5 for the whole
course

The Bereavement
Journey[®]
a place to talk

Contact Deacon Sarah to book: deacon@dhcircuit.org

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' SHARE THE STORY ' Team at All Saints Primary School



On Thursday 14th November the Share The Story team (formerly Open The Book) led morning assembly at All Saints CofE Primary School. This was our first visit since we moved away from the Bible Society's Open The Book scheme, giving ourselves more flexibility with regard to content and message.

The team is made up of 10 members from Cornerstone Methodist Church, Holy Trinity CofE and St Marks CofE and we hope to be able to lead worship at least twice a term. This time, to fit in with the school's theme of God's Promises - The Helper, we presented a story entitled 'Goodbye at last' which included Jesus telling his disciples "And if you ever feel scared or alone, don't worry. Just talk to me, and I'll be with you. I promise." The story also foretells the coming of the Holy Spirit, the continuing presence of which was discussed with the children and celebrated in our closing prayer. We enjoy presenting God's word to the children in this dramatised form which brings the stories from the Bible to life for them.

The picture shows members of the team, in costume with some of our props from the story. We hope to return to All Saints in early December when we have been asked to prepare an assembly based on the visit of the shepherds to baby Jesus.

Trefor Little

CALENDAR
Partridge Green
December

- 3** Songs of Praise 3.00pm
- 10** Open Door Club 2.30pm - 4.00pm
- 12** Village Café 2.00pm - 5.00pm
- 21** Carol Service followed by Tea and mince pies 3.00pm

London Road

December

- 1** Sunday Lunch 12.30pm
- 3** Tuesday Prayers 9.30am
- 4** Toddler Group 10.00am
- 4** Birthday Tea Party 3.00pm
- 4** Wednesday Club
- 6** Friday Café 2.30pm - 4.30pm
- 10** Tuesday Prayers 9.30am
- 10** Crafternoon 2.00pm
- 11** Toddler Group 10.00am
- 11** Games and Chat 2.00pm
- 13** Friday Café 2.30pm - 4.30pm
- 14** Saturday Prayer Partners 9.30am
- 17** Tuesday Prayers 09.30am
- 18** Toddler Group 10.00am
- 18** Wednesday Club 7.30pm
- 19** Worship In Song 2.30pm - 4.00pm
- 20** Friday Café 2.30pm - 4.30pm
- 21** Saturday Prayer Partners 9.30am
- 24** Tuesday Prayers 9.30am
- 28** Saturday Prayer Partners 9.30am

St Andrews December

- 1 **Your Place at the Table** Sunday Breakfast at St Andrews 09.30am
- 2 **Movie Monday** 2.00pm - 4.00pm
- 3 **Prayers at Church** 9.00am *staff prayers—all are welcome*
- 3 **Horsham Matters Connecting Café** 11.30am—1.30pm
- 4 **The Café at St Andrews** 10.00am – 12.00pm
- 5 **Bright Stars** 9.30am
- 6 **Easy Movers** coffee/chat exercise 10.30am to 12.00 noon
- 9 **Movie Monday** 2.00pm - 4.00pm
- 10 **Prayers at Church** 9.00am *staff prayers—all are welcome*
- 10 **Horsham Matters Connecting Café** 11.30am—1.30pm
- 11 **The Café at St Andrews** 10.00am – 12.00pm
- 12 **Bright Stars** 9.30am
- 13 **Easy Movers** coffee/chat exercise 10.30am to 12.00 noon (*last one*)
- 16 **Movie Monday** 2.00pm - 4.00pm
- 17 **Prayers at Church** 9.00am *staff prayers—all are welcome*
- 17 **Horsham Matters Connecting Café** 11.30am—1.30pm
- 18 **The Café at St Andrews** 10.00am – 12.00pm
- 22 **Messy Church** 3.00pm - 5.00pm
- 24 **Prayers at Church** 9.00am *staff prayers—all are welcome*
- 31 **Horsham Matters Connecting Café** 11.30am—1.30pm

6th Horsham (Methodist) Scout Group Presents

Campfire Carols

Saturday 7th December at 5pm
in the church, London Road

Come and join us in an evening of campfire songs, sketches, jokes and, of course, carols followed by mince pies and refreshments in the Meeting Place.

There is no charge for this event but there will be an opportunity to donate to group funds.

All are welcome - come and see how we manage to light a campfire in the church!

Please let me know if you wish to come so we can keep track of numbers attending.

David Casey david.casey@btinternet.com

CALENDAR

Partridge Green

January

- 3 **The Bereavement Journey** 10.15am (*booking necessary*)
- 7 **Open Door Club** 2.30pm - 4.00pm
- 9 **Village Café** 2.00pm - 5.00pm
- 10 **The Bereavement Journey** 10.15am (*booking necessary*)
- 17 **The Bereavement Journey** 10.15am (*booking necessary*)
- 21 **Open Door Club** 2.30pm - 4.00pm
- 24 **The Bereavement Journey** 10.15am (*booking necessary*)
- 25 **GENERAL CHURCH MEETING at London Road** 10.00am - 12.00pm
- 31 **The Bereavement Journey** 10.15am (*booking necessary*)

London Road

January

- 3 **Friday Café** 2.30pm - 4.30pm
- 5 **Sunday Lunch** 12.30pm
- 7 **Tuesday Prayers** 9.30am
- 8 **Birthday Tea Party** 3.00pm
- 8 **Toddler Group** 10.00am
- 8 **Games and Chat** 2.00pm
- 10 **Friday Café** 2.30pm - 4.30pm
- 11 **Saturday Prayer Partners** 9.30am
- 14 **Tuesday Prayers** 9.30am
- 14 **Crafternoon** 2.00pm
- 15 **Toddler Group** 10.00am
- 17 **Friday Café** 2.30pm - 4.30pm
- 18 **Saturday Prayer Partners** 9.30am
- 18 **Volunteer Forum**
- 21 **Tuesday Prayers** 09.30am
- 22 **Toddler Group** 10.00am
- 22 **Wednesday Club** 7.30pm
- 23 **Worship In Song** 2.30pm - 4.00pm
- 24 **Friday Café** 2.30pm - 4.30pm
- 25 **Saturday Prayer Partners** 9.30am
- 25 **GENERAL CHURCH MEETING** 10.00am - 12.00pm
- 28 **Tuesday Prayers** 9.30am
- 28 **Crafternoon** 2.00pm
- 29 **Toddler Group** 10.00am
- 29 **Tea and Chat** 2.30pm
- 31 **Friday Café** 2.30pm - 4.30pm

St Andrews January

- 4 Saturday Prayer Partners 9.30am
- 4 Community Fridge and Refill Station 10.00am - 11.00am
- 6 Movie Monday 2.00pm - 4.00pm
- 7 Prayers at Church 9.00am *staff prayers—all are welcome*
- 7 Horsham Matters Connecting Café 11.30am—1.30pm
- 8 The Café at St Andrews 10.00am – 12.00pm
- 9 Bright Stars 9.30am
- 10 Easy Movers coffee/chat exercise 10.30am to 12.00 noon
- 13 Movie Monday 2.00pm - 4.00pm
- 14 Prayers at Church 9.00am *staff prayers—all are welcome*
- 14 Horsham Matters Connecting Café 11.30am—1.30pm
- 15 The Café at St Andrews 10.00am – 12.00pm
- 16 Bright Stars 9.30am
- 17 Easy Movers coffee/chat exercise 10.30am to 12.00 noon
- 19 Messy Church 3.00pm to 5.00pm
- 20 Movie Monday 2.00pm - 4.00pm
- 21 Prayers at Church 9.00am *staff prayers—all are welcome*
- 21 Horsham Matters Connecting Café 11.30am—1.30pm
- 22 The Café at St Andrews 10.00am – 12.00pm
- 22 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity service 7.30pm
- 23 Bright Stars 9.30am
- 23 Quiet Book Group 7.30pm - 9.00pm
- 24 Easy Movers coffee/chat exercise 10.30am to 12.00 noon
- 25 GENERAL CHURCH MEETING at London Road 10.00am - 12.00pm
- 26 Movie Monday 2.00pm - 4.00pm
- 28 Prayers at Church 9.00am *staff prayers—all are welcome*
- 28 Horsham Matters Connecting Café 11.30am—1.30pm
- 29 The Café at St Andrews 10.00am – 12.00pm
- 30 Bright Stars 9.30am
- 31 Easy Movers coffee/chat exercise 10.30am to 12.00 noon

Homeless in Horsham



How do you feel when you see someone sitting on the street and homeless in Horsham? Being homeless carries a certain stigma, doesn't it? We may wonder how the individual came to be in a pickle like that. Or perhaps it is their lifestyle choice.

Like John ¹, for instance. He is easily recognised by his big black, bushy beard. John turns up in Horsham a couple of times a year, sits in the Carfax and feeds the pigeons. Then he gets a E2 bus ticket and tours the Sussex coastline. He has little family contact, shuns controlling society, and refuses to conform. After his bus trip, he hitchhikes to Yorkshire and tours around there. His lifestyle is his choice.

When we came to Horsham, I met Gary ¹. Some time ago, Gary's wife died in tragic circumstances. It really unhinged him. He lost his wife. He lost his way, his job and his home. He became a street sleeper. Gary ¹ has addictions and some months ago, attempted suicide. I last saw him one night recently, sitting on the pavement in the Oaklands area of Horsham looking pretty glum. He had a pair of crutches beside him. A storm was breaking so we ate fish and chips in my car and talked. He said he'd been beaten up twice in Horsham, and was hospitalised as a result. After our chat, he asked me to drive him to a local covered car park where he spent the night together with his street sleeping mates.

Then I met Mario ¹, who arrived a year ago illegally from Romania, without papers or passport, conned by traffickers with the promise of a job that didn't exist. He sits and begs in the underpass and is in limbo, waiting for the authorities to determine his future.

This snapshot of homeless life in Horsham is of course, mirrored across the country. What most homeless people want is stability, a sense of self-worth, and somewhere to belong. Here in Horsham, we are blessed with Turning Tides and the Salvation Army, who do a magnificent job helping and giving temporary accommodation to many homeless people. However, they cannot meet everyone's needs. We can help.

Perhaps when next you see someone homeless, could you greet them with a smile, a handshake, and ask them their story? You could mention you are from Cornerstone Methodist Church and that God loves them. Maybe, offer to buy them a coffee and mince pie or drop some coins in their cup. You may have a spare blanket to give them.

If you do any of these things, you will be helping to make a homeless stranger's day a whole lot brighter.

Alan Spray.



Carols in the Carfax

**WITH HORSHAM CHURCHES TOGETHER
AND THE SLINFOLD CONCERT BAND**

14TH DECEMBER 2024 AT THE CARFAX BANDSTAND

11:00AM FESTIVE MUSIC

11:30AM CAROL SERVICE

12:15PM FESTIVE MUSIC

www.horshamct.org.uk

 Horsham Churches Together



World Religion Day January 19th 2025

World Religion Day is celebrated every year on the third Sunday of January. The aim is to promote understanding and peace between all religions, encouraging people to learn about other faiths and their followers.

It was originally started by the Baha'i faith in 1950 which says that all religions have common features and should be respected equally. They believe there is one God who is known by different names in all religions. The Baha'i faith believes that all humans are born equal and we all have equal rights regardless of our faith.

For centuries different faiths and religions have fought each other and World Religion Day aims to promote unity in order to overcome historical differences.

There are six major religions in the world today and nearly 75% on the world practices one of these.

In order of popularity they are Christianity, Buddhism, Islam, Hinduism, Judaism and Sikhism.

Each of these religions encourage kindness to others:

Christianity – In everything you do, do to others as you would have them do to you.

Buddhism – Hurt not others in ways that you yourself would find hurtful.

Islam - Not one of you truly believes until you wish for others what you wish for yourself.

Hinduism – This is the sum of duty – do not do to others what would cause pain if done to you.

Judaism – What is hateful to you do not do to your neighbour.

Sikhism – I am stranger to no one and no none is a stranger to me. I am a friend to all.

In some areas of the world there are initiatives on World Religion Day to encourage a better understanding of world religions. There are interfaith gatherings to study various traditions and learn about different practices by engaging in dialogue. Schools in some areas educate children and young people about the importance of religious tolerance, respect and understanding of diversity.

On this special day of the year let us remember all those around the world worshipping in their own way and pray for a better understanding and respect for other religions that are different from our own.

WEDNESDAY CLUB

We meet in the Lounge at London Road on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 7-30pm. We are a friendly group of ladies & gentlemen, & are always pleased to welcome visitors. So do come & join us.

4th December

MOVIE
Night

We cannot advertise the title of the film, but it is a good one!

18th December

Craft Evening with Angela Birch

Come along & create something for Christmas



15 th January

“Waste Management” with Colin Macfarlin

Learn more on this important subject from this lively & informative speaker

5th February

“Life in Hong Kong”

Wendy & Ivan Luk share their first hand experiences



Future meetings

look out for

“ Behind the Scenes at Wimbledon”

our Musical Evening

and

Rupert Toovey - Actor, auctioneer and vicar

For more information please contact Liz Sear, Ann Williams or Angela Bramhill

LONDON ROAD FLOWER ROTA FOR 2025-2026



A very big **Thank You**
to Beryl Woodward
who, for over 40 years, has been
the person overseeing our Flower
Rota at London Road week by
week and master minding the
special flower arrangements for
Easter, Harvest, and Christmas,
Weddings and Funerals.



For the next few months the flower team will be headed by Angela Hancock, and I will be producing the 2025-2026 Flower Rota. The new rota begins on the 2nd March, 2025, and I will be using the current rota as a guide. At the moment there are four Sundays when there is nobody offering flowers so if you would like to donate on one of those days and come onto the rota, please get in touch with me via flowers@cornerstone-mc.org.uk so we can arrange a date, meet up and show you where things are etc. Should you wish to come off of the rota please also get in touch. Could you let me know any requests by the end of the year.

The Dates are:- July 20th 2025
August 10th 2025
December 28th 2025
February 8th 2026

The flowers are usually put in the church either Friday morning/afternoon or Saturday morning after 10.00am when the building is usually open. They can then be left in the church after service/s on Sunday, taken home, or given to someone of your own choosing.

On the special weekends, e.g. Easter, Harvest and Christmas, we like to arrange extra flowers in the church and if anyone would like to donate to the Flower Fund it would be very much appreciated. Please give your money, or cheques, made payable to the church, to me so that I can pass them on.

On these special occasions extra hands for flower arranging are very welcome too. You don't have to have had any experience, just come and join us.

Marjorie Hayman

VOLUNTEER FORUM

AN INVITATION TO SHARE WITH OTHER VOLUNTEERS ACROSS THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH: FELLOWSHIP, LEARNING, WISDOM AND EXPERIENCES, AS WELL AS TO GAIN VALUABLE INPUT FROM JON WHITE, LEARNING NETWORK ADVISER

IF YOU GIVE YOUR TIME TO THE CHURCH IN ANY WAY THIS IS FOR YOU

PLEASE RSVP TO DEACON SARAH BY THE WEDNESDAY BEFORE EACH ONE

**DEACON@DHCIRCUIT.ORG
07869802024**

SAT 19TH OCTOBER

SAT 18TH JANUARY

SAT 17TH MAY

EACH WILL BE FROM 10.30-2.30PM, LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

INFO ABOUT THE VENUES TBA

CORNERSTONE METHODIST CHURCH IS A REGISTERED CHARITY: 1134052

The Sunday Lunch at London Road

1st December and 5th January

at 12.30pm



We welcome those of our Cornerstone church family who live alone to join us for lunch on the above dates in the Wesley Hall at London Road at 12-30pm. The cost is £6.

Toddler Group

London Road on Wednesdays

from 10.00am to 11.30am

Christmas Party 11 December

10.00am to 12.00

Prior booking essential

We are closed on Christmas Day and New Years Day

Resumes on 8 January



St Andrews on Thursdays

from 9.30am to 11.30am

Christmas party 12 December

9.30am - 11.30am

We are closed on Boxing Day and 2nd January

Resumes on 9 January

Tea and Chat

Wednesday 18th December at
2.30pm

Wednesday 22nd January at 2.30pm

Tea & Chat meets in Wesley Hall. After a warm welcome it provides the opportunity to meet in a friendly relaxed atmosphere and to chat and enjoy tea, scones and cakes. All are welcome.



PARTRIDGE GREEN

OPEN DOOR

Our meetings start at 2.30pm and are held in the Church Hall.
All friends from Cornerstone Methodist Church
are very welcome.

For further information
contact Alison James on 01403 711048.

Tuesday 10th December

Christmas Celebration and Festive Tea
Musical entertainment by Liz and Claire

Tuesday 7th January

Tuesday 21st January



This is a club where people can meet and make friends while enjoying a cup of tea and cake. Some Optional activities/table games will be available. There will be the occasional speaker or entertainment. We meet alternate Tuesday's and there is a £2 charge. For more information contact Margaret 01403 541736

PARTRIDGE GREEN

VILLAGE CAFÉ

2.00pm - 5.00pm

12th December

9th January



The Village Café meets takes place on the 2nd Thursday afternoon each month
from 2.00pm until 5.00pm.

This is an ecumenical project, working with St Michael's Church
(here in Partridge Green)

All friends from Cornerstone Methodist Church are very welcome.

Refreshments are free, but donations are appreciated, which are used to support
village organisations.

For further information please contact Margaret Daniell phone 01403 541736

LONDON ROAD



GAMES & CHAT

AT CORNERSTONE LONDON ROAD, IN WESLEY HALL

2ND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH:

11TH SEPTEMBER

9TH OCTOBER

13TH NOVEMBER

11TH DECEMBER

2-4PM

ENJOY SCRABBLE, DOMINOES, RUMMIKUB ETC
AND SOME TEA AND CAKE TOGETHER

DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS WELCOMED

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The
Games and Chat afternoon
is an opportunity to spend
time with friends, new and
existing, playing some games
and enjoying fellowship.

Do you have any unwanted board games sitting on a shelf upstairs?

Games and chat afternoon are looking for some
more board games. Ideally these would be simplish
games like rummikub, draughts or boggle, games
that don't have too many rules!



We are also looking for games for 2 players,
again, nothing too complicated.
We are only there for 2 hours!

If anyone from the Cornerstone congregations
would like to come and help
[and play]
you would be welcome.

Please speak to Deacon Sarah or Valerie Cummings
for games or help.

SONGS OF PRAISE AND AFTERNOON TEA



Tuesday 3rd December 2024

Cornerstone Methodist Church,
Partridge Green, RH13 8HP

Join us at 3 pm for some well-
loved hymns and stories

ALL WELCOME

For further details please contact
Margaret on 01403 541736

Come along and bring a friend!



Come and join us on the 7th December
in Wesley Hall 10 – 12 noon for the
Action for Children
Christmas Coffee Morning.
Lots to enjoy!



CRAFTERNOON

We meet at London Road
on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month
from 2.00pm- 4.00pm

Please bring your own craft or learn a new one

Messy Church at St Andrews
Sunday 22 December 3.00-5.00pm.
Sunday 19 January 3.00-5.00pm



HORSHAM COMMUNITY FRIDGE

**This is an environmental issue !
not one of poverty**

***The food is there for EVERYONE to use
so that it is not wasted***

The Community Fridge at London Road

***opens every Tuesday Morning from 10.00am to 11.00am
during which time refreshments are served***

and

***every Thursday Afternoon from 1.00pm to 2.00pm
where refreshments are served from 12.15pm***

The Community Fridge at St Andrews

opens on the first Saturday of the month from 10.00am - 11.00am

***As well as the Community Fridge at St Andrews,
at the same time, there is also a REFILL STATION***

Please come along and see what we have at the REFILL STATION — laundry liquid, washing up liquid, etc as well as loofahs, soap, Ecoballs for the washing machine....BUT we would also appreciate donations of **CLEAN** bottles in which people to take home their purchases (if they forget to bring their own bottles!). They need to be bottles which will stand on a scale to be filled, and the lids come off easily. Please wash them out thoroughly and give them to Sarah when you see her...

Thank you!

Please bring a bag !

Easy Movers

Fridays 10.30-12 noon Posture, mobility,
Refreshments and chat 10.30 flexibility and
balance

Exercises 11.15-12

£4 per person

With qualified
instructor

Dates

On calendar
page



Chair based or standing

St Andrews Church, Crawley Road,

Roffey, RH12 4DX

For information call

or text Sarah on

07869802024

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Bright Stars Toddler Group

We are closed
on Boxing Day and 2nd January

£2 per
family

Thursdays
9.30 - 11.30am



St Andrews Church, Crawley Road,
Roffey, RH12 4DX

Call or text Sarah
07869802024 for info

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Friday Cafe

at Cornerstone London Road



Your space for a Friday treat
Hot drinks £1, weekly menu of
cakes and snacks

Fridays 2.30-4.30pm

All Welcome

Cornerstone Methodist Church is a Registered Charity: 1134052



Join us at The Café at St Andrew's
Every Wednesday 10am to 12pm

Spoil yourself with homemade cakes and
freshly made tea and coffee

All are welcome

Come and be part of the community

We are members of the Chatty Café scheme

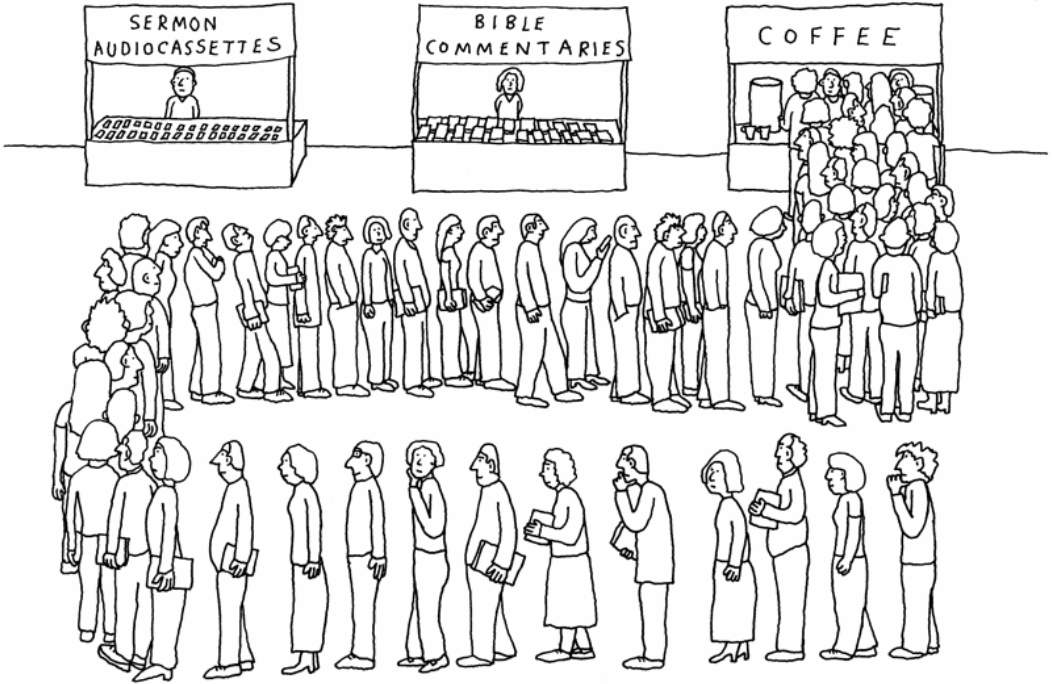


We are not open
on Christmas Day and New Year's Day

... AND FINALLY

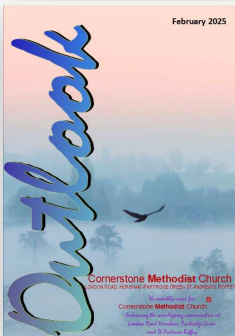
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A TYPICAL SCENE



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DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY EDITION



January 19th

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