



Gablesby Methodist Chapel

Newsletter

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So much going on.....

Earlier this month we welcomed the Rev Katharine Butterfield as the new Anglican co-leader of the East of Eden Mission Community. This ground-breaking ecumenical initiative will see all churches in the area working more closely together to share resources and deliver our 'God for All' ministry. We pray for unity and tolerance during these times of change.

As the nights lengthen and the days become shorter, we are constantly reminded that autumn will turn to winter. The seasons are an annual reminder of the life cycle of our natural world and during the next few months, we will be reminded of this. As the crops are gathered in, we celebrate the Harvest on 23 September (details below). If available, why not come along on Sat 22 September from 1pm to help tidy and decorate the chapel.

We then remember the sacrifice of the men and women who gave their lives for their country during the Great War and those that followed. This year marks 100 years since the end of WW1. It is therefore fitting that the Community remember our local heroes.

On Friday 9th November at 8pm the Village Hall cinema will be showing the film Journey's End. The drama is centred round the 1918 WW1 trenches and is based on RC Sherriff's classic 1928 stage play. There will be a meal served at 7pm, which need to be booked in advance. Dinner and film £10, film only £5. More details will be in the Memo and in fliers round Gablesby nearer the time.

On Saturday 10th November in the Community Centre, from 2.00 to 5.00pm, is a 'Gablesby Remembers' event when we will be commemorating the 8 men who went to Gablesby Village school and who gave their lives in WW1. The hall will have a display about each of the men and about the wider WW1 events - all are welcome to come along. Refreshments will be served and the hall will be specially decorated with poppies as part of the commemoration

Then on Sunday the 11th we hope that the whole village will join us for a Community Remembrance Service in the Chapel at 2pm.

We then move into Advent and Christmas and prepare for the coming of the one, who would ultimately pay with his life for the forgiveness of sins, Jesus Christ. Whilst a time of sorrow, as we remember those who died, we find joy in the preparation of Advent and the expectation of the one who is coming and was born on Christmas Day...the best gift of all!

We hope that you will support our many events and services.

Full details of all our services are displayed on the church notice board



The Members and Little Acorns invite you to join them for
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HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sunday 23 September 2018 at 2pm

Led by Mr Donald Marston

Followed by refreshments - everyone welcome

Community Remembrance Service

Sunday 11th November 2pm



Led by Rev Les Wallace

*At the going down of the sun and in the
morning - We will remember them*

REDEVELOPMENT PLANS – GOING WELL

We are delighted to inform you that the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes have awarded a £50,000 grant towards the cost of our re-development. This now means that we have £70,000 pledged and will enable us to start work on modernising the Sunday School in 2019. Our architect Lee Page of Space Designed Solutions Ltd is working up the detailed plans and planning permission is being sought for the new DDA compliant accesses.

All are welcome to attend our Church Council Meeting on Weds 3 October at 7.30pm in the Sunday School room when we will agree the final details of this exciting project

Further details of our redevelopment plans can also be found on the website www.eastofedenmc.org.uk

We really appreciate the generosity of so many in helping us raise funds. We continue to seek further grant aid but would also welcome further donations to help reach the total estimated cost of £150,000.

Advance Diary date

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Gamblesby Community Centre

SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER 10am – 4pm

Stalls and refreshments

PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS

We begin our Christmas festivities with a Christmas Fair on Saturday 8 December. We are inviting people to purchase a table for £10 to sell their own goods. Anyone interested contact: Dori Henderson on 01768 881369

We will also begin preparations for our Community Carol Service on Sunday 23 December at 2pm which for many marks the start of Christmas in Gamblesby.

Little Acorns will be taking part performing the nativity but we would welcome any children wishing to be involved. Rehearsals begin at the beginning of December, so if your child/ children want to be involved, please contact Claire Slee.

If you enjoy singing and would like to join the singing group, please get in touch. A warm welcome will be given to new members.

We will be decorating the church on Saturday afternoon 22 December. From 1pm. If you can come along or donate any greenery, your help would be much appreciated.

Community Coffee Group

Every Tuesday

ALL ARE WELCOME

10:30 am -11.30am



CREATIVE, CHRISTIAN, CHILDREN'S CLUB

We meet at 10am in the Chapel

Dates

2th September

23rd September at 2p.m

Harvest Festival

21st October

25th November

9th December

23rd December at 2p.m

Community Carol Service

New members welcome

Come and join in the fun!

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