

This week at The Bridge		
Sunday 24th April	9.00am	Holy Communion - Rev Glenn Reading
	10.30am	Morning Worship - Rev Mike Spencer
	10.30am	Café Church in the Memorial Hall
	6.00pm	Easter Offering Service at Catshill
Tuesday 26th April	6.30pm	Girls Brigade in the Memorial Hall
Wednesday 27th April	9.30am	Holy Communion
	7.45pm	Everywoman's Circle
Friday 29th April	6.30pm	Boys Brigade in the Memorial Hall
Sunday 1st May	9.00am	Morning Worship - Terry Bill
	10.30am	Holy Communion - Rev Glenn Reading
	10.30am	Café Church in the Memorial Hall

STRAWBERRY TEA

and STROLL IN PECKWOOD

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY - 2nd MAY

2.00pm till 6.00pm

CREAM TEAS £2.50 Bring and Buy Book Stall

Proceeds to Peckwood and Rowney Green Shared Church
(Sorry: No dogs allowed in the wood)

HYMNS FOR 24th APRIL

256	He is Lord, he is Lord	Hymns &
65	God moves in a mysterious way	Psalms
803	Teach me, my God and King	
524	I need thee every hour	
315	God's spirit is in my heart	

Please give any items for inclusion in this weekly news-sheet by Wednesday of each week, to Matthew Bailey or Roger Ling
or send them via email to: bailey_matt@btinternet.com **and** roger.j.ling@virginmedia.com



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WELCOME

24th April 2016

A warm welcome to our services today especially if this is your first visit to The Bridge.

Jesus said: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." *John 13 vs 34-35*

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - 15th - 22nd May



Christian Aid week is approaching when we will make our annual door-to-door collection. The need for emergency funds to help those in desperate need has never been greater.

We have always made a special effort with this collection. If you don't already have a round to collect can you help? There will be a number of roads where we will need collectors this year. If you can help please speak to Roger Ling or phone Phil Drewell on 01527 404401

Headless Cross Methodist Church – Time Capsule.

When the church was recently demolished a time capsule was discovered under the foundation stone. This was taken by the builders for safe keeping, and has now been passed over to The Redditch Historical Society for cataloguing, copying and taking a photographic record of the contents.

We believe there are newspapers, and other artefacts inside. It is hoped that once this is done, we will be able to have the items and put them on show for a time in the church. We will let you know when we have more information.

Rev Glenn Reading Tel: 01527 894436 / 0796 4282278

Rev Ruth Wilson Tel: 01527 541885

SOCIAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

The social committee are holding their AGM on **Tuesday 26th April at 7.30 p.m.** in the church. We desperately need extra members to help plan social events for the church congregation and the local community. These events also raise much wanted funds for the church. So, if you are fit and cheerful, come along to the meeting and find out more.

On **Monday 2nd May** we will be hosting a hospitality tent from 11.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. at the **Headless Cross May Fayre on The Green**. If you feel that you can spend an hour to serve refreshments please contact Margaret Heming (01527 65845) who will be putting together a rota.

If you are willing to bake cake for the event it would be a great help. These could be delivered to our tent from 10.00 a.m. If you are willing to bake please speak to one of the committee members who are: Maureen Brown, Flo May, Margaret Heming, Barbara Blundell, Emma Carr and Matthew Bailey.

CHURCH VISION DAY - FEEDBACK

The write-up of the feedback from the Church Vision Day held in January has been distributed. Have you collected your copy?

At our AGM held on 17th April it was decided to arrange a special meeting for everyone where this feedback could be discussed as part of the process of planning the future mission and ministry of The Bridge.

Watch out for announcements about the date.

CAN YOU HELP? IS THIS YOU?

We are looking for an additional **MAGAZINE DISTRIBUTOR** to deliver The Bridge Magazine each month to DUXFORD CLOSE.
If you can help with this please contact Pat Newey or Roger Ling.

SUMMERTIME! - NEW ROTA

Please can you let me have your availability for the period June to August by the end of April at the latest. Please email to thebridgeredditch@gmail.com, or leave a message on the answerphone 01527 546998

We also have volunteering opportunities in many areas - door welcome, cash counters, sacristans, and refreshments. If you could help for just one Sunday a month have a word with Glenn, Ruth, Roger, Matthew, Brian, Paul, Mike or Maureen Thanks, Rosie.

PECK WOOD CIRCUIT ALL AGE FUN DAY

on SUNDAY 8th MAY

STAR WARS – Good v Evil

Crafts: Face Masks, Light Sabres, Space Ships, Star Wars Quiz, Refreshments, Follow the EWOK Trail, Face Painting

Arrive from 12 noon Events 1pm till 3pm

3.30 - 4.00pm Feel the Force service

All at **Peckwood Centre**

Rowney Green Lane, Alvechurch B48 7QE


TIME FOR PRAYER

An informal prayer meeting will be held on Tuesday 25th April at 10.30am at 64 Malvern Road, the home of Kath Banks.
Everyone is welcome to come to this gathering to pray for the work of the church and other needs.

M. U. BIG BREAKFAST

The Headless Cross branch of the Mothers Union invites all friends and neighbours to a **Big Breakfast**, to be held on **Saturday 14th May** between **8.30am** (for the early birds) and **11am** (for the not-so-early birds) It will take place at 225, Birchfield Road Headless Cross.

We hope to cater for all requests, but please contact Judith Grubb if there is anything specific. Families most welcome!! Newspapers will also be there for Dads. Proceeds to the work of the MU.

 Judith 01527 457789

OPEN CHURCH - VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

During the summer months the church is open for visitors each Thursday and Friday between 10am and 12 noon. There are always 2 volunteers in the church to be on hand and welcome any visitors.

Can you spare a couple of hours, maybe once or twice each month? Bring a book to read or your knitting! Coffee is available in the charity shop, which will also be open.

If you can help please contact Pat Newey (01527 545244)