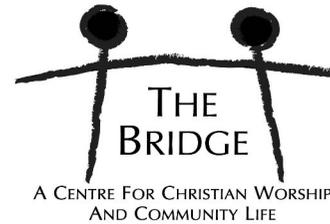


This week at The Bridge		
Sunday 11h August	9.00am 10.30am 10.30am	Holy Communion Rev Ruth Wilson Morning Worship Mrs Chris Roberts Café Service Jackie Adams and Maureen Brown
Wednesday 14th August	9.30am	NO Holy Communion
Sunday 18th August	9.00am 10.30am 10.30am	Morning Worship BMT Holy Communion Rev Glenn Reading Café Service Mercia Lee Terry Bill and Helen Reading



WELCOME

11th AUGUST 2019

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

**You also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come
at an hour when you do not expect him**

Luke 12 v40

Music for 11 August 2019

<i>Organ</i>	<i>Chorale Preludes</i>	<i>Praise be to Thee</i> <i>O my Soul, be glad</i>	<i>Scheidt</i> <i>Bohm</i>	
Hymns	God is here! As we his people meet I will offer up my life in spirit and truth Hark, my soul! It is the Lord Brother, sister, let me serve you Come with me, come wander	25 446 426 611 462	Singing the Faith	
<i>Organ</i>	<i>Postlude in E^b</i>		<i>Jones</i>	

Message from Rev Richard Wilde

Dear sisters and brothers in the Bromsgrove and Redditch circuit. Olive and I want to say thank you to you for the fellowship we have shared. It has been a good place to be these last nine years, the last six as your superintendent. The Farewell service was a special occasion and the accumulated gift from the churches as we move on into the new role of supernumerary and our own home is gladly received. It will not be spent straight away as we need to decide what to do with our house. Its tired and a bit run down and not practical for our needs as it is. Once whatever work is done we will then establish a patio and outdoor area probably with a water feature of some sort. A place for relaxation, reflection and remembering the years in the B and R circuit and much more.

The Lord bless you all.

Richard

Please give any items for inclusion in this weekly news-sheet by Wednesday of each week, to Matthew Bailey or Roger Ling
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Bromsgrove & Redditch Circuit
Methodist Women in Britain

Summer Event

Afternoon Tea
at The Bridge
(Headless Cross)

on Saturday 17 August at 2:30pm

Everyone welcome!

including Bring & Buy Stall



**Gemini Choir
Concert**

**Saturday 7th September
at 5pm***

Crabbs Cross Methodist Church

*Come along and enjoy an *early evening
concert of light music performed by the
Gemini Choir (Barnt Green).*

*The choir will bring a mixed repertoire of
easy listening, part-songs,
popular classics, and glees.*

**Tickets £7.00 to include
interval drinks and nibbles.**

**All monies raised will help the Crabbs Cross
Methodist Church Community Garden
(Wilderness Project)**

Treasurer's Message

At the July Church council, I updated them as to the financial situation at the half year. At the end of 2018 we exited the year by owing just £6,249 in Assessment and Parish Share, and we had £4,671 in the bank towards this.

This good situation was mainly due to a number of donations at the very end of the year. Without these we would have been around £11,000 short.

The budget for 2019 included the estimated income (less any money for donations or legacies) and the known expenditure, including the areas where we knew the cost would rise in the year.

This shows we were moving towards a shortfall of around £14,000 at the end of 2019. This budget included for a Christmas bazaar, but no donations.

At the half year the income and expenditure was almost exactly as budget, meaning we are still looking at a shortfall of £14,000, and Church Council accepted this situation.

I am aware that some people have increased their giving this year, and on behalf of Council I thank you.

I now have the numbers for the end of August.

The day book shows that our income is £2,000 more than our expenditure, but this is a false figure as we have only paid £8,700 towards the total of £30,600 for Parish Share and Assessment, due giving priority to paying consumable bills and wages.

The hall was on stream to make a small surplus at the end of the year, but with the invoice for the water problems to come and resulting loss of income from groups that could not meet, I am not sure of the situation. I will update you when all is sorted.

Terry Bill



FOR EVERYONE -

'Everyone Welcome Day'

Saturday 19th October 10.00 am till 4,00 pm

More details about this day together will be out shortly, but meanwhile please book this date in your diary.

DATE FOR THE DIARY