

Where we meet and who we are



The office and mid week activities are based at our building in: Well Street. MK18 1ET



On a Sunday morning we meet for worship at : Lace Hill Academy, Catchpin Street, MK18 7RR

Well Street United Church is an LEP (local ecumenical partnership) of Baptist, Methodist and United Reformed churches. In reality, many of us come from other churches or no church background, but we have felt at home in this church.



As part of our worship we have an offertory box available by the hall door. If you are visiting please feel under no obligation to give.

If you are a regular worshipper please speak to Geoff Morris as to how you can give by Standing Order or online and also about Gift Aid if you are a tax payer.

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8.00am –1.00pm



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Welcome to Well Street United Church

Welcome to Well Street United Church especially if it is your first time.

If you would like to receive electronic weekly updates speak with a Welcomer.

If you would like to share news , special occasions or upcoming events then please contact Wendy

Events this Month



Sunday 1st October—3.00pm
Lace Hill Manor service

'Encounter God' - praying for a Month of Sundays starting on 1st October

6.00pm-7.00pm at Well Street Church.

Please see more details on the enclosed flier

3rd October

A reminder that if you have booked a place that there is Safeguarding Training

7.15pm at Brackley Methodist Church

Sunday 15th October

Gift Day—further details will be sent out soon so please check communications from church office.

Notice re Election of Church Elders will also be going out on this Sunday.

28th October Steeple Claydon Methodist Church

Table Top Sale 10.00am– 2.00pm

30th October Israel Pilgrimage departs—led by Tim Edworthy accompanied by 22 pilgrims (including 13 from Well Street)

Weekly Activities

Sunday

10.30am Morning Worship

Tuesday 10.00am (Term time)

First Steps (Toddler Group)

Tuesday, Wednesday and

Thursday - Life Groups –contact Church Office for details

Thursday 5.00pm (Term time)

Explorers (5-11year olds)

Saturday 10.00am-12 noon

Renew Cafe

Monthly Activities

First Sunday

3.00pm service at Lace Hill Manor (Care Home)

First Wednesday

12.30pm-2.00pm CAMEO

The next lunch is on Wednesday 4th October

Fourth Saturday

8.30am Zoom Prayer Breakfast (938 8759 8329 Breakfast)

For more information contact Church Administrator (details on back)

Minister's Message

At the start of the year, I gave you a bookmark with a verse on it:

'You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.'
(Jeremiah 29:13)



The picture on the bookmark is a photo that I took last year of Durdle Door, a huge arch of rock on the Dorset coast through which the sea ebbs and flows. It's spectacular! Yet it wasn't always like that. Over hundreds of thousands of years (probably), the waves will have broken and crashed on either side of that rock jutting out into the sea. Finally, the sea broke through, continuing the process of erosion until the fine 'door' that we see today came to be.

Seeking God can feel like that. We keep praying to God, asking questions, and looking for answers and God is frustratingly silent. God seems like an immovable object whilst our prayers are very much a resistible force. Will we ever break through? If that is you, know that God has broken through. He made a way in a manger through Jesus, who tells us that he is the Way to God our Father, and the Door through whom we will be saved if we enter (John 10:9). It means that we can and will find God if we seek him with all of our heart.

I want to encourage you to seek God with us. Come and encounter God as we pray for our church for a month of Sundays. For each of the first four Sundays, we will have a focused hour of prayer from 6-7pm in our church building at Well Street. There is much for which we need to pray, not least as we progress towards a decision on whether or not to register our building for same-sex marriage services. This is not prayer that God will change other people's minds, but that together we shall know God's heart!

Please join us if you can, preferably in person, but wherever you are if that's not possible, using the prayer guide that's provided.

Tim

*We are still praying that God will provide us with a p/t Youth Worker.
If you know anyone who may be interested in working with our Youth and with the opportunity of doing an MA degree with CYM then please ask them to contact:
Jane Butcher email: vacancies@wellstreetchurch.org.uk*

Service Dates for October

Date	Place	Time	Theme	Preacher/ Worship lead
We continue with our Bible Series based on the book of Romans produced by The Bible Society				
1st October	LHA	10.30am	Peace. How can we find rest in a stressful world? Romans 5.1–5	Sally Woodd Lynn Billingham
8th October	LHA	10.30am	Freedom. How can we avoid negative cycles? Romans 6.1–7, 11–14	Tim Edworthy Katy Morris
15th October	LHA	10.30am	Hope. What has God promised? Romans 8.14–19; 31–32; 38–39	Tim Edworthy
22nd October	LHA	10.30am	Mystery. If God is sovereign, what is our role? Romans 10.9–15	Andrew Brazell Lynn Billingham
29th October	LHA	10.30am	Devotion. How can we live full on for God? Romans 12	Tim Edworthy
5th November	LHA	10.30am	Community. How can we live together in love? Romans 13–14	Jenny Boxwell



Christian Aid Quiz Night (including Supper)

Friday 10th November 7.00pm at Well Street Church

If you would like to attend (you do not have to be part of a team we can make up teams on the night) then please book with Margaret Gateley or complete an online booking form
<https://forms.gle/XXsJuuhnrxTVgE7r5> (scan QR code)

