



Petersfield Area Churches Together

Many Churches - many styles of worship - but only 1 God

March 2018 Newsletter

*Hello, may you be aware of God's presence in the coming month.
Blessings, Susanne*

Volunteers needed:

The King's Arms

Our volunteers are extremely valuable to both our face to face projects and the daily running of The King's Arms; we couldn't do what we do without them. If you think you could volunteer your time then keep reading!
After School Club 11-18 – Mondays 3-5.30pm and/or Fridays 2-4.30pm (females preferred); Next Gen 14-14 – Tuesdays 6.15-8.15pm (females preferred); Level Up 11-13 – Fridays 6.15-8.15pm; Mentoring (during term time) – 1-2 hours a week; toilet twinning (during term time) – 1 hour a week; online seller – adhoc; painting some woodwork – 1 day; article writer – 2 hours a week; website content writer – 1 week; cleaner – 1-2 hours a week (up to 6 hours); cleaning manager to organize team of cleaners – 2 hours a week. Contact Caroline at caroline@thekingsarms.org.uk

Concern volunteers for Tuesday and Thursday Lunch Clubs

Concern are worryingly short of volunteers. They are looking for people who can come along for a morning (10 - 1ish) to do food prep, lay tables, talk to our clients etc. in return for a free lunch and some goodies to take home. They think that this may be good for an active but lonely parishioner perhaps.

This month:

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday, 2nd March 1.30pm (St Peter's): Men are also welcome. There will be refreshments afterwards

Good Friday Walk of Witness

Friday 30th March, meet at 9.30am (Outside Methodist Church). The Service in the Square will begin at 10.00am.

The egg that shares the Easter story

Free delivery if you order £45 of eggs by 6th March. Visit www.realeasteregg.co.uk Schools can apply for a 10% discount on the 150g egg if orders for a minimum of 4 cases (24 eggs) are placed BEFORE 5th March. Participating schools will have access to a resource pack. E-mail irene@meaningfulchocolate.co.uk Tesco, Morrisons, Waitrose and ASDA will have limited stocks in their larger stores from the middle of February.

Advance notice:

Annual coaching holiday organised by the Methodist Church in Petersfield

We will be staying at Treloyhan Manor Hotel, St Ives. The price per person, which includes return coach travel from Petersfield, 7 nights dinner bed & breakfast in en-suite accommodation and 5 coach excursions is £675 (with NO single supplement). Upgrades to sea view are available at extra cost. Many friends from Petersfield, Portsmouth, Havant, Alton, and Basingstoke join with us each year and it would be great to welcome YOU. Bookings must be made direct with the hotel on 01736 796240, but further information regarding daily programme, and coach pick up points, may be had from the group leader, Gordon Churchill on 01730 260454. Details of the hotel may be found at christianguild.co.uk/treloyhan

Women's brunch

Saturday, 21st April from 10am-noon (Herne Farm Leisure Centre): If you can, please let us know if you are planning to come women@sheet.church 01730 302695

Regular events

Gathering for those who have been bereaved - – every first Tuesday of the month

Tuesday, 3rd April, 2.30-4pm (United Reformed Church Hall): Friendly and informal gathering with a cup of tea and homemade cake for people who have been bereaved. Contact Lesina Ashfield 07709576907

PACT prayer for Petersfield on 1st Thursday of every month

Thursday, 5th April, 2pm-3.15pm (43 Lower Wardown): Contact Linda on 01730 262 820 or 07872 407 403

Men's breakfast

Saturday, 7th April, 8-10am (Hurst Barn): Coffee/tea followed by a full cooked breakfast, discussion and prayer. RSVP Hurstbarn@aol.com

Cafe Church – 2nd Sunday of the month

Sunday, 8th April, 5-7pm (Costa Coffee - upstairs) A place to discuss big issues, values and beliefs. None of us has the whole truth, so we share what we have. Come prepared to examine Christian and other viewpoints, in a relaxed atmosphere, with honesty, good humour and respect. Join us for an informal quiz, followed by a couple of short talks or presentations, and then a chance to talk through the topic of choice in small groups. All this while sharing great coffee.

Reveal Meetings – creating space to explore and discover community with God

Wednesdays, from 8pm (Winton House): They meet weekly for soup, pastries, chat, music and time for reflection. They want to provide a friendly place in which to ask questions and explore answers together. Contact: 01730 301 126 or check www.reveal.org.uk

Christian Arts Group

If you would like to join the group, contact Belinda on 01730 267 471 or e-mail belindashaw44@gmail.com

Spiritual food for thought

"The genuine exclusiveness of the Christian revelation of God lies here. No one can have an adequate view of the heart and purposes of the God of the universe who does not understand that he permitted his son to die on the cross to reach out to all people, even people who hated him.. But this is not just a "right answer" to a theological question. It is God looking at me from the cross with compassion and providing for me, with never-failing readiness to take my hand to walk on through life, wherever I may find myself at the time."
(Dallas Willard)

Any items for inclusion in the **April** PACT Newsletter to reach me by
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