



Petersfield Area Churches Together

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

July 2018 Newsletter

Hello, may you be aware of God's presence and provision during the summer. There won't be a newsletter in August, and the next newsletter will come out w/c 20th August. Blessings, Susanne

Petersfield's Women's Fellowship are looking for new members

They are a small local organisation who provide several events throughout the year. They meet up in the Petersfield Methodist Church on a regular basis. The group is a good way of meeting local people with similar interests plus having some fun. Examples of events in the coming weeks: 28th June Poetry Afternoon, 5th July Trevor Roth, Open Doors. Please contact Kaye Mordle if you would like more information (01730 268907)

This month:

Music and concerts in St Peter's Church during July

Wednesday, 4th July at 7.30pm: Petersfield Community Choir, conductor: Carolyn Robson *Sounds of summer*; refreshments available

Tuesday, 10th July at 1pm: Mark Dancer - 4th lunchtime organ recital; bring your own lunch – coffee on sale

Saturday, 14th July at 7.30pm: Solent Chamber Orchestra, conductor: Steve Tanner; their first programme at St Peter's will include Mozart's *Symphony No 29 in A major*, Handel's *Concerto Grosso in B flat (Opus 3 No 2)* and Franz Danzi's *Concerto for Flute and Clarinet (Opus 41)*. Wine bar

Admissions to all three events are free. There will be retiring collections.

Advance notices:

National prayer weekend

Friday, 28th September - Sunday, 30th September: Sign up and commit praying for your community: Whether your whole church prays together, your family chooses to prayer walk around your neighbourhood, or you want to pray for one friend, we would love for you to join in with thousands of others around the country for the National Prayer Weekend. Ask those around you what they want prayer for, and invite God to do immeasurably more than you can imagine in your local community.

'We had many answers to prayer: new jobs opening up, ministry positions being filled, housing needs met and physical healing from cancer!' – National Prayer Weekend participant, 2017

Your prayers. Impacting **your** street. Affecting **your** community.

Sign up to be kept informed about brand-new free prayer resources, videos, prayer events and creative prayer ideas – all coming soon. www.national-prayer-weekend.com

Women's brunch

Saturday, 20th October, 10am-noon (Herne Farm Leisure Centre) More details to follow

Regular events

Mind support group

Mondays, 9.30-11:30am (The Salvation Army): The Havant and East Hants Mind drop in will be an opportunity for people to receive advice and information., I will have leaflets and referral forms if anyone wishes to refer themselves to the service. There will also be tea and coffee available and the opportunity to speak to other clients of Mind. Please send any enquiries directly to Jenny at jenniferl@easthantsmind.org. She has leaflets and referral forms if anyone wishes to refer themselves to the service.

Job Club (Employment Plus Local)

Every Wednesday, 1-3pm (The Salvation Army): There'll be a cup of tea, and one of our team ready to help you.

Men's breakfast

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

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

Tuesday, 3rd July, 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 July, 2pm-3.15pm (43 Lower Wardown): Contact Linda on 01730 262 820 or 07872 407 403

Refresh! Cafe

Every Thursday, 10am-noon (St Peter's church): Real coffee and homemade cakes. No charge – all welcome!

Cafe Church: 2nd Sunday of the month

Sunday, 8th July, 5-7pm (Costa Coffee - upstairs): Conversation with mayor of Petersfield. Café Church is 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.

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: Looking after our shops

I have been asked to let you know how precarious some of our little independent shopkeepers feel. Fortunately, up until now Petersfield has managed not to be turned into a 'clone town'. However, we need to recognise that these small businesses are an endangered species, and if we want our town to keep its individuality, we need to actively support them. Yes, because of their overheads, they will possibly be more expensive than buying on line. However if we're not careful we could leave it too late, and not value their uniqueness and the personal attention we receive until they have disappeared. So before surfing the web, and if you are able, please wander through our distinctive little shopping streets and appreciate what is on offer – I think you'll be pleasantly surprised. (Patsy Robinson, who is part of the Town Chaplaincy)

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