# **Prayer** at the Heart



Please pray for:

Immediate needs 2 - 4 weeks

Frances (Crocker) following a car accident. Please pray for Brian Evans who has Alzheimer's and has recently been diagnosed with bowel cancer, and for Jane and the wider family as they support him.

Joan Moss. Gill Campbell receiving treatment at the Maxi facial Clinic in Ashford. Elaine, having chemotherapy treatment until November.

During May we will be praying for those living in Warden Point/View, Columbine Close and the Oaze.

### Long term needs - up to 3 months

Please pray for everyone in our church family living with long-term illnesses or conditions including Audrey, Bob, Denise, Dennis, Emma, Katy, Lise and Melissa.

Dorothy Vener. Moyra, the sister of Issy and Roger (Jobson), whose body is rejecting her kidney transplant and she is having to go back on dialysis. Pat Wade. Inger Dulley (sister-in-law of Margaret T.B.) following a massive stroke. Freddie and Charlie Crocombe (grandchildren to Andrew's brother). Julia, (Sue St John's god-daughter), although greatly improved, still has problems with her vision. Barbara Boyall, George's (Charilaou's) mum, has finished the course of chemo and is awaiting the results of a recent operation.

## Prayer Needs

Please contact: Carol Judge 277752; or David and Lynda Kemp 272470

# Something to Share?

If you would like to contribute to these church notices; or subscribe to the (electronic) mailing list do please get in touch with me.

Please be aware when supplying contact information, this notice sheet is circulated physically and digitally via our website, social media and email.

The deadline for the following Sunday is midnight on Tuesday. *Paula. Email:* deaneves@msn.com









5th to 7th August

Toast marshmallows on a camp fire, activities to challenge yourself, chill out, laugh and get to know



place now with Georgina

## Carroty Wood 2022

After 2 years without a residential trip for our young people I am so pleased to say that this year we will be going back again to Carroty Wood! This is open to anyone in year 6 and above and we really hope to have as many young people as possible to join us. If you would like more information please talk to me ASAP.

Georgina

## Youth motto

At the beginning of this year we spent some time in our group on a Sunday morning thinking and praying about what we wanted our motto to be for this year. We wanted something that we could walk with and one which would direct our thoughts and actions. We felt God gave us 'Growth inspired by hope' and we will be using our large notice board in the youth room as a mind map. Please feel free to take a look and perhaps to engage with this too. Georgina







A huge thank you to everyone who helps or volunteers for all the events I put on, from Sunday school, Grandchildren's session and Little Salties and everything else I ask help for! None of the groups that are run would work without the amazing team of volunteers we have. You are all a huge blessing. Thank you! Love Lisé xx

## Safeguarding

We at SCC and as a Christian family take safeguarding very seriously (*Safeguarding* is working to protect children and adults from harm, abuse, and neglect.)

There are on-line courses available on the Diocesan safeguarding website which we encourage all members of the Church family to undertake.

If you are interested please contact:-

Hilary Poulton – Safeguarding Lead <u>Poultonhilary62@gmail.com</u> 07740631434 or any member of the safeguarding team

Vanessa, Paulette, Georgina, Lise and Hilary (Safeguarding Team)



This weekend is Lyn and Keith Linnegar 's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and they are donating flowers for the Old Church for their blessing.

Should you wish to do the same then please contact Hazel on 07769 735336 to discuss. Thank you.

# PLEASE SUPPORT ROBERT'S BIKE PILGRIMAGE 2022

Retired vicar Robert de Berry is undertaking a massive sponsored bike ride for persecuted Christians May 14-June 25, 2022 – and needs your help!

### ROUTE: NORTH FORELAND POINT LIGHTHOUSE, KENT, TO LAND'S END, CORNWALL, AND BACK.

Robert will be speaking in local churches along the way (see box) and aims to raise £250,000 through sponsorship. He hopes to achieve this by recruiting ten whole journey riders each raising £3,000 or more, and ten stage riders each day, each raising £500 or more. The total will be divided equally between Release International and CSW.

 To join the ride for the whole distance, or the day the ride goes through your area: email info@releaseinternational.org.

 To offer overnight B&B to one of the whole journey riders, email: info@releaseinternational.org.

 To sponsor this wonderful initiative and to find out more, visit: releaseinternational.org/BikePilgrimage2022

**ROBERTS ROUTE** - North Foreland Point Lighthouse Canterbury Maidstone Orpington Sevenoaks and Tunbridge Wells - Redhill and Cheam North Holmwood - Godalming Cranleigh-Winchester Salisbury Sherborne Taunton Barnstaple Bude Newquay Hayle Penzance Truro St Austell - Plymouth - Exeter - Seaton - Axminster - Dorchester - Bournemouth Southampton - Portsmouth - Chichester - Worthing - Brighton - Eastbourne - Hastings - Ashford Folkestone - Margate - North Foreland Point Lighthouse

# Yay! and Pray

This week we are ...

Celebrating:

- All those who preach and teach at Seasalter, for their preparation and diligence, and their heart and passion to communicate the gospel.
- Those who turn up out of hours, to put out the chairs, to clean and tidy, to fix stuff.

Praying for:

- Drew and the family as he begins his Navy training and all who are doing challenging new things.
- Our local community, and especially for those who go above and beyond to help others and bring community together.

# German Exchange

Canterbury Diocese has partnership links around the world including two regional churches in Germany: Zossen-Flaming near Berlin and Markgraflerland near Basel. These churches belong to the Evangelical Churches in Germany which is a fellowship of Lutheran, Reformed and United churches.

The purpose of these links is to strengthen and encourage each other's resources and gain new insights and understandings into the work that happens in other countries. This year our partners from Germany are joining us in the UK to learn more about the work of the Communities and Partnerships team at the diocese and also to share some of their environmental work that is happening in their area.

There will be a special Environment Seminar to share information between Germany and the UK which will take place on Friday  $20^{th}$  May at Seasalter Christian Centre from 1.30pm – 4.00pm.

#### Talks for the afternoon include:

Information from Canterbury Diocese on Eco Church with the diocesan Environment Advisor, messages from the Beautiful Burial Grounds, and a talk from Rev Paula Jardine Rose on Outdoor Worship, including how to use church land to care for creation

Our partners from Germany will lead talks on:

On the way to becoming a "fair church district". The certification process in the church district of Zossen-Flaming and from Markgraflerland: (awaiting title and info)

There will be opportunity for questions and answers as well as information to help you on your eco journey.

Please do join us for this important joint event, it may help to make a big difference for the environment that we all care so much about.

The seminar is free to join through Eventbrite and, as numbers are limited, we would advise you to book in advance on:

Environment Seminar - learning from partner dioceses Tickets, Fri 20 May 2022 at 13:30 | Eventbrite

We look forward to seeing you next month





#### A reminder, what is EcoChurch?

EcoChurch is an award scheme run by a Rocha and supported by the Church of England for churches to work towards awards for being environmentally-friendly in 5 key areas of church life (Worship and Teaching, Buildings, Land, Community and global engagement and Lifestyle). The awards go bronze, silver then gold.

## How long has SCC been a member of EcoChurch? What are some recent achievements?

SCC has been a member of EcoChurch since March 2020, our most recent achievement was the planting of native plants with funding from Key Botanical gardens in the church grounds. I would encourage you to have a look if you haven't seen them yet!

### Announcement:

SCC is 1 announcement/task away from achieving our bronze award!

- Worship and Teaching: 96/110 🐤 Gold
- Buildings 319/480 🖤 Silver
- Land
- Community and global engagement
- Lifestyle

- 70/155 👳 Bronze
- 68/210 👳 Bronze
  - 25/160 (no award)

Today we are asking the church community to consider carrying out their own individual carbon footprint check. There is a great website called

https://www.climatestewards.org/offset/ (Green QR code) for a more in-detail carbon footprint or so a simpler carbon footprint you can use the WWF's online calculator (https://footprint.wwf.org.uk/#/ black QR code).



### What else can I do to reduce my carbon footprint?

We also want to encourage the church community to try to see if they can walk or cycle to church or if this is not feasible could you car-share with someone who you live close to in order to reduce emissions?

Another suggestion is to reduce our personal energy consumption. How can we do this? Maybe we could turn lights off after leaving a room or turning your heating down by 1C. Everyone will have different ways or ideas that best suit them and their family to help reduce their carbon footprint, but don't be discouraged from doing even a small change as it all adds up!

If you would like to find our more about EcoChurch and what we do/how you can get involved please do speak to me after the service or send me an email to

daniel.o.b.hampton13@gmail.com

Many thanks, Daniel Hampton. (Church Council's Environmental representative and lead for running EcoChurch)

## **Reminder!**

July the 16th will be a 'church family day', we will meet in the afternoon/evening to all be together. More details to come