

# St Mark's Matters

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**21<sup>st</sup> October 2018**

Ordinary 29

## *Lectionary Readings:*

Old Testament	Job 38:1-7,(34-41)	<i>New Testament</i>	Hebrews 5:1-10
<i>Psalms</i>	104:1-9,24,35c	<i>Gospel</i>	Mark 10:35-45

*Today's flowers have been kindly donated by Mr & Mrs D Black.*

**Welcome to our worship.** Refreshments will be served in the Main Hall after the morning service. We have a 'Loop' system fitted; please adjust your hearing aid accordingly.

**10.30 am** Preacher: **Mr Ewan Richardson**  
Steward: Mrs Sara Motion

*The "post-service hymns" will be played before the service, beginning at about 10.25am. (There will not be any played on 28<sup>th</sup> October and 4<sup>th</sup> November). The words will be projected, sometimes completely, sometimes only selected verses. These hymns are among those which have never, or rarely, been chosen for a service; some have new words to old tunes or vice versa, while some are completely new to Singing the Faith. Your feedback on these hymns is welcomed.*

**6.30 pm** *Local Arrangement* led by Mrs Eileen Chislett and Mrs Sara Motion. You are warmly invited to join with us in praising the wonder of God.



Please consider using a Gift Aid envelope, which may be found in the church foyer, for any donation.

**Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2018**

**10.30 am** Preacher: **Revd Amy Walters**  
Steward: Mrs Sarah Shell

## *Thought for the day*

Unclog our ears and tenderise our hearts  
so that your words enliven our discipleship;  
so that we put the needs of others before our own needs;  
so that we share what we have rather than hoarding it for ourselves,  
and use our gifts to benefit others rather than increasing our own status and position.

Lord Jesus Christ,  
keep reminding us that following you  
means emptying ourselves of all self-serving power  
and filling ourselves with the desire to serve others as willingly as you did.

Forgive any reluctance on our part to follow your example;  
replace any selfish power-plays of ours with your inclusive love,  
your compassion and your humility.

These prayers we offer in your name and for your sake. Amen

**Let us pray ...**On the first Sunday of every month at the end of the morning service, there will be time to collect a tea or coffee and then there will be an invitation to gather by the Communion table in the Sanctuary for a short time of prayer. We will offer up prayers for the work of the church and needs known to us, either silently or aloud, and everyone is welcome to join in. This is vital to our mission – do come and pray.

## **2020 ViSion**

**Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 10am-3pm - The Lions Club Combined Charities Fair** - please visit the St Mark's stall at the Town Hall.

**Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> November, 7 for 7.30 pm Quiz Night at Woodlands Park Village Centre;** please contact Andrea Johnson for more information (01628 671186 – bstc.boxoffice@gmail.com)

**Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> November, 10.00am—11.30am – Christmas Bazaar** – All our usual stalls with a Christmas feel ...

**Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> December, 6.30 pm - Crisp and Even Brightly,** a Broken Shoestring Theatre presentation for your delight and delectation! Tickets available from Andrea Johnson (£10/U12s £5), 01628 671186 or email bstc.boxoffice@gmail.com.

**Advertising:** If you can put up posters advertising our events, or know of anyone or of any business who would, please speak to Isabel, 07860 237184.

There is also a need for a volunteer to take on the development and maintenance of social media activities for the church. Initially this would involve a Facebook page. Please contact Ed Filmore if you know of anyone with the skills and inclination to take this on.

**Sewing** - Annette Basford is happy to do any small sewing job for a donation to the 2020 Vision Project. If interested, please speak to Annette.

**Urgent appeal for Raffle prizes:** If you have any Raffle prizes we are in desperate need to support the Monthly Bazaars. Anything will be welcomed! Please speak to Ian Johnson.

**Christmas Bazaar Toys stall** - Donations of good quality second-hand toys are required by Ed Filmore and Annette Basford - leave in the foyer or we are willing to collect.

**Wednesday Fellowship** is not meeting, at least for the present.

**Sunday, 28th October, 2.30 pm** This year's *Singing the Faith* afternoon will be at Cookham Rise Methodist Church. It is an opportunity to have a good sing, and will include some hymns which were not in earlier books. This event, organised by the Smaller Churches Group, is open to EVERYONE!

**Wednesday, 31st October 2018, 6:30–8pm, Glow in the Dark Party** at St Andrews Methodist Church, Merton Road, Slough, SL1 1QW. Dress code: colourful, bright and warm. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Maidenhead Street Angels** are seeking donations of unwanted blankets, duvets, thick coats and jackets to give to those who need them to keep warm this winter. If you can help, please email Shane (shanekennedy272@gmail.com) who can arrange a time to collect from you or you can drop items off at The Pines Veterinary Clinic.