Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

Weekly Newssheet

16 February 2025

"Your local Town Centre Church bringing God's love to the heart of the community".

If you are joining us for the first time, please make yourself at home and stay for tea or coffee which is served at the end of the morning service. Here you will have the opportunity to talk to members of the congregation who will be happy to answer any questions.

Sunday 16 February

16 Feb 10.00am Service preparation 11.00am Worship Leader Joyce Woodcraft

11.00am EXPLORER5

It would be appreciated if mobile phones are turned off or put in silent mode. Thank you Care Team If you would like someone to talk to or to pray with in confidence, representatives from our Care Team are available at each service. They can be identified by their red badges.

Future Services

23 Feb 11.00am John Hudson-Beddows 11.00am <u>EXPLORER5</u>

2 Mar 11.00am 2XPLORER5 Anniversary

9 Mar 11.00am Worship Leader led 11.00am EXPLORER5



A MESSAGE FOR <u>YOU</u>

The Leadership Team, Church Council and Minister have for some time been asking the congregation to "step up" and let those in their 70's and 80's who are presently running the church "step back" and take over their duties. If this does not happen soon, we may find ourselves in a very difficult situation with nobody able to run the church and which would lead to inevitable closure; something we are sure that neither God nor you want. So could you become a:-Sunday Steward or Senior Steward. **Property Steward or Property Secretary (these** positions become totally vacant in May 2025). **Explorers Leaders or Helpers.** Pastoral Co-ordinator or Pastoral Visitor. Member of the Church Council (Trustee). Social & Fundraising Team member. Finance Team members. Please will all members and friends give this article your very serious prayerful consideration and not leave it to the trusted elderly few to "run the show". Please speak to our Minister, Senior Steward or a member of the Leadership Team about this.

Minister - Rev Alexandra Terrett– Email a.terrett@btinternet.com (Alex's day off is Friday) Senior Church Steward - Sheila Allison Email sheila_allison@btinternet.com Pastoral matters-Joyce Woodcraft Email joyceatlast@talktalk.net Property or administration - Eric Davis Email eric@ehdavis.me.uk Finances - Kate or Robert Hardy Email kateahardy16@gmail.com or roberthardy33@gmail.com Deacon -Vic Downs (Retired) Email deacon45@virginmedia.com Church Tel: 01474 328249 (answerphone) or use the contact form on our church web site –

www.gravesendmethodistchurch.org.uk **Community Centre Manager** – Vicki Clarke Tel 328249 **Bookings -** For hall & room bookings please contact Vicki Clarke - Community Centre Manager tel. 328249 **Weekly Notice Sheet Editor** – for the next edition is **Robert Hardy**. All items for the news sheet should be with Robert by 12 noon on Wednesday please. Email roberthardy33@gmail.com

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The Grand's activities are not included in this calendar of events. The Community Centre kitchen is being refurbished over the next two weeks so the CC Kitchen and Jubilee Room are out of bounds whilst contractors work in them.

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Mon 17/2	No Daytime Hub today	Community Centre	1000- 1200	
	Coffee, Cake & Conversation	Foyer	1000- 1200	
	Sisterhood	Foyer	1415- 1530	
	Badminton Club	Wesley Hall	1930- 2200	
Tue 18/2	Community Centre reception not open today	Reception	0900- 1300	
	SUN Group (Kent & Medway NHS - Service user Network)	Foyer	0930- 1330	
	Church Council	Foyer	1930	
Wed 19/2	No Daytime Hub today	Community Centre	1000- 1200	
	Crafty coffee	Foyer	1000- 1215	
Thur 20/2	Community Centre reception not open today	Reception	0900- 1230	
	MIND Employment Group	Foyer	1230- 1530	
Fri 21/2	No Daytime Hub today	Community Centre	1000- 1200	
	Street Pastors Support & Prayer	Wesley Hall	2130- 0230	
Sat 22/2	No 'babyballet' today	Wesley Hall	0900- 1300	
	Foodbank	Reception	1000- 1200	

A Night with the **STARS.**

The West End comes to Gravesend for a special event featuring actors from the world's biggest musicals alongside some of our local gifted young people. In aid of GYG youth services at The Grand. Friday 7 March at 7pm at The Woodville. Tickets www.woodville.co.uk

Gravesham Foodbank

We have recently been having record breaking numbers coming to our Saturday Foodbank. As a result, we need tinned veg, small packets of dry rice, custard, tinned meat, pasta sauce in jars, deodorant (male & female) and toilet rolls as well as mixed donations please. Thank you.

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The Grands typical weeks events at GMCCC - the Parlour is in exclusive use as their base. * = Youth event					
Mon	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1200- 1400		
	GYG Adults singing	Foyer	1830- 2030		
Tues	No Elite Pathways teenage schooling today	Jubilee Room	1000- 1500		
	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1015- 1215		
	Mini GYGers*	Wesley Hall	1600- 1700		
	Exercise Class	Wesley Hall	1845- 1945		
	Ready, Steady, Go	Wesley Hall	1200- 1300		
	Yoga	Wesley Hall	1400- 1500		
Wed	GYG Performers*	Wesley Hall & Foyer	1600- 2130		
	GYG Creative*	Jubilee Room	1600- 1800		
	No Elite Pathways teenage schooling today	Jubilee Room	1000- 1500		
	Grand Active & Additional Needs	Foyer	1015- 1215		
Thur	Seniors Get Active	Wesley Hall	1030- 1200		
Thur	Grand Active Adults	Wesley Hall	1230- 1300		
	GYG Committee *	Jubilee Room	1600- 1800		
	GYG Dance*	Wesley Hall	1630- 1830		
	Exercise Class	Wesley Hall	1815- 1915		
Fri	English Classes	Foyer	1000- 1330		

Community Centre Kitchen.

Following adverse comments made about the age and state of the Community Centre kitchen when Gravesham Borough Council last inspected it, we are about to embark on a total refurbishment. We invited local companies for their designs and from that a design, supplier and installer have been agreed. The works will start on Monday 17 February and last just over two weeks. During that time access to the kitchen and Jubilee Room will be restricted to the contractor only and the use of the Wesley Hall may have some changes too. Please bear with us during this period of disruption. Any queries to Robert Hardy please.