

THE INDICATOR

Beckenham Methodist Church

*November - December 2016
& January 2017*



Sacred Spaces

Proverbs 29.18

Dear Friends,

One summer holiday when I was 18 years old, I went on an international students' summer work camp to the west of Ireland. We stayed in the village school; we slept on mats on the floor and cooked porridge in a Baby Belling. Our work was to reconstruct the stone wall that ran along the front of the school. This involved collecting stones from derelict ruined cottages. Once, families struggled for survival in these tiny, cold, damp cottages. Some didn't make it and died in the potato famine. The luckier ones became economic migrants fleeing the grinding poverty of rural Ireland for America.

I discovered in the 1970s that this part of Ireland was still very poor and isolated. The Irish priest had organised a work camp in the village, not for the sake of building a stone wall, but more because the presence of students from all over Europe brought life, energy and an outwards glimpse on the world. We organised dances and social gatherings and discovered a very different way of life that was an education for us.

One day the Irish priest invited us into his church. As a Methodist growing up in the London suburbs I had never been inside a Catholic Church. I was astounded. The village was so very grey and drab, the hillsides were dotted with derelict cottages, there was a mournful air all around us but here inside the church everything seemed to glitter with gold. To my young eyes there seemed to be a mountain of wealth in all the gold ornamentation of the church. 'How can you justify so much splendour in the church? Couldn't you sell all the gold and give the money to the poor people of your village?' I asked the priest. The priest looked at me and replied thoughtfully, 'The people's lives are poor, survival is a daily struggle, unending toil, but when they come into church they enter another world, the church lifts their spirits, lifts their eyes to God and gives them hope'. I learnt then that the church in that village provided priceless sacred space.

Some many years later, I was working for Christian Aid visiting a very poor, remote village in North east Uganda. Hunger was rife and the villagers lived in fear of attack from the Karamojong, herders who were raiding their villages and stealing their cattle.

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I was told the farmers were gathering to meet me in the church. Our vehicle pulled up on a rough piece of land, but I couldn't see a church. We made our way into a rectangular mud hut. It was bare inside but at the end there was a cross scratched by hand into the wall when the mud was wet. I was shaken by my stupidity - this of course was the church, what on earth had I been expecting?

The farmers told me that support from Christian Aid was helping them to rebuild their herds and improve the quality of their livestock. As we sat together on wooden planks my eye was caught by a pile of red bricks at the back of the church. On enquiring what these were for I was told that every Sunday each family would try, out of their poverty, to bring a brick to church to add to the pile. It was a struggle but in this way, bit by bit, their aim was to build a red brick church to replace the mud church. Their hope, their vision was to have a beautiful church to provide that precious, sacred space, to give glory to God even if it meant personal sacrifice.

I was reminded of these different experiences when I visited Barcelona last week. Gaudi's famous cathedral, Sagrada Familia, is breath-taking. It is so complex, such a miracle of design and imagination. Building began in the 1920s and although incomplete it has already been declared a World Heritage site. Gaudi sought to give glory to God through his architecture and as you step inside your eyes are lifted upwards to the soaring heights of the cathedral all beautifully lit by the sunshine which pours in through the radiantly coloured stained glass windows. Although busy with tourists, there is a quiet chapel for prayer and here I sat in wonderment at the beauty of the sacred space. But I also asked myself how the residents of Barcelona felt about this building. Had they ever questioned the cost of such a building, had they thought the money might better be spent on helping the poor, had they thought something much more modest would have been better?

There is always a tension about how best to use our God given resources. How drab our lives would be without the beauty of art, architecture, music ... and sacred spaces. We might not compete with Sagrada Familia but how privileged we are, through the churches entrusted to our care, to be able to offer life enhancing sacred space, a space to live and love and grow.

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*We come before you mighty God;
with awe and with wonder,
with thanksgiving and with reverence.
Thank you, almighty God,
for welcoming us into your presence today. Amen.*

Rev'd Barbara Calvert, October 2016

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Sunday Club eXtra 0 – 16 years

Where: Beckenham Methodist Church

Time: Sundays 11 – 12noon

When: 13th November, and 11th December



Why not come and join us

An invitation from the Bromley Circuit Ministers

Compass is a short course that introduces the Christian Faith to those who wish to explore its meaning. Like any compass it relates to a particular map and the one intended is Christian discipleship in the Methodist Church.

It looks not just to the foundation stones of Christian faith, but also to the experience of our Methodist heritage which has shaped our present understanding.

*“I found **Compass** very inspiring’.*

Who is it for: anyone in the circuit who:

- A) is thinking of becoming a member of the Methodist Church
- B) is interested in exploring their faith

Each week will be led by one of the circuit Ministers and one of our Local Preachers.

Venue: Beckenham Church, Bromley Road

Time: Wednesdays 8—9pm

Dates

2nd November

9th November

16th November

23rd November

30th November

7th December

14th December

Leaders

Barbara Calvert and Jim Holman

Karen George and Clive Timehin

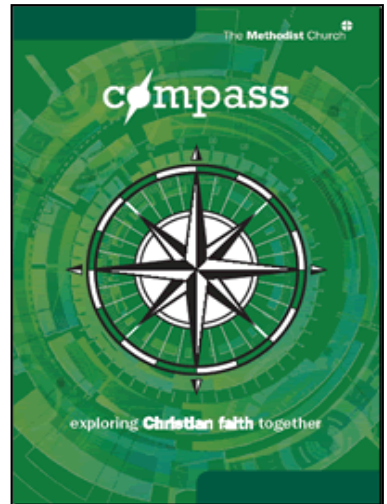
Laura MacBean and David Lemmon

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REDEVELOPMENT SCHEME - LATEST NEWS

The reply to our Preliminary Planning Application has been favourable in that very little adjustment to our submission is needed:

- The new entrance is to be subservient to the main building - achieved by reducing the size of the lobby slightly
- The extension to be rendered to blend with the existing building
- Ensuring the existing stained glass windows are not obscured
- A 'traffic management scheme' and a Heritage statement are required and plans have to be seen by the Methodist church's own Conservation Officer.

Discussions continue with regard to the Architect's plans to ensure a beautiful yet practical Sanctuary; the most efficient and economical heating / lighting / audio visual systems; good and safe access to all parts of the premises.

Internal work to the Sanctuary will begin as soon as possible, but some planning needs to be done in conjunction with other areas e.g. heating and plumbing systems when the removal of pews exposes many pipes.

June 2017 would be a practical start date as heating is not required in the summer months and there is less usage of the premises. Worship would continue in the Bevington Hall.

The Sanctuary - The platform will remain, but with increased width at each side to allow for the lectern and pulpit (to be made more moveable) and a ramp for disabled access.

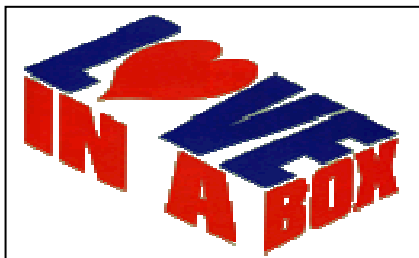
The door into the church for regular use will open from the new atrium into the church, where a Welcome desk and Stewards will be (the present side chapel). However the central front door will be retained for use for weddings and funerals and be glazed.

There has been much discussion about the siting of staircases; different flooring for different needs and adequate, practical storage places, but not at the expense of other needs for the spaces involved.

Please watch the boards in the church. As matters progress, I will keep you informed.

Jenny Nichols, Senior Steward

COFFEE MORNING IN AID OF MUSTARD SEED 'LOVE IN A BOX'
AT BECKENHAM METHODIST CHURCH, BROMLEY ROAD
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 5TH AT 10.30AM – 1.00PM



Home Made cake sale

Tea and coffee



**Shoe Boxes can be decorated with wrapping paper at the event.
To fill the boxes, small items of toys, puzzles, games, tooth brushes,
tooth paste, soaps, flannels, stationery sets, coloured pens, pencils, writing
pads, drawing pads, woolly hats, gloves, scarves or any other gift
that will fit in to a shoe box, are welcome**

**Maybe, instead of gifts, you might like to give a suggested Donation of
£3.00 for helping to transport the shoe boxes across Europe for the
Mustard Seed Love in a Box. Boys and Girls Age ranges: 3-5, 6-11 &
12-15**



HELPING THOSE IN NEED

As you will see, the churches in this area, including our own, are endeavouring to make a difference with regard to those who are in need in the local community.

BROMLEY NIGHT SHELTER: this is re-opening for the winter and will be an invaluable source of help for all those who visit it.

BECKENHAM CLOTHES BANK at Holy Trinity Church is open on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 10.30am to 12 noon and we usually go along once a month. It is good to be able to help all those who come to see us. We cannot always meet every need but we do our best and those, mostly men, who visit us are always grateful and appreciative.

Please, therefore, help us to take a bumper load for the last two months of this year by putting your gifts in ‘**that box**’ in the New Room at Bromley Road: a list of the items required are clearly shown just above the box; please ensure that all items of clothing are clean.

Thank you to those few kind people who continue to put gifts into ‘**that box**’ on a regular basis. That’s great.

Colin & Valerie

Wilson

METHODIST FUND FOR HUMAN NEED: It is good to have Church Council approval to a further £200.00 being sent to the above fund from our Benevolence Fund.

Valerie Wilson

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Light relief

Teacher: Charlie, your composition on ‘My Dog’ is exactly the same as your brother’s. Did you copy it?

Charlie: No, sir, it’s the same dog.

Teacher: Tom, what do you call a person who keeps talking when people are no longer interested?

Tom: A teacher.

TCs NEWS

FOCUS ON CHILDREN

TCs continues as usual.

At our recent TCs Management Committee we discussed, among other things, how best to distribute our operational surplus for **2015/2016** which amounts to **£4,500.00**.

What better way this year than to focus on helping children, not only in the UK but in the wider world. There is so much to be done but we can make a difference. So, our donations are being sent to the following charities:

Matthew Rusike Children's Home, Harare, which aims to enrich the lives of the 95 boys and girls who live there in every possible way.

£1,000.00

Railway Children, reaches out to desperately vulnerable children in East Africa, India and the UK.

£1,000.00

ChildAid a local Christian charity aiming to build strong children, in every aspect, as they care for them in Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus and Russia.

£1,000.00

Hospices of Hope based in Otford aiming to renovate and equip five buildings known as the Campaign for Copaceni in Romania providing physical and rehabilitation therapies for children suffering from serious illness/life-limiting conditions and respite for family members. **£1,000.00**

All We Can (formerly Methodist Relief & Development Fund) . for work with refugee children. **£500.00**

Thank you so much Volunteers who work in TCs and those who help in other ways, because by your dedication in keeping TCs open you have made these wonderful donations possible.

Thank you, too, to members of the congregation for your support through the year which is much appreciated.

Valerie Wilson

METHODIST TALENT FESTIVAL 2017

Six local circuits, including Bromley, are holding a Methodist Talents Festival on **Saturday March 4th** 2017 at Shirley Methodist Church.

Categories include Creative Writing, Handwriting, Crafts, Textiles and Needlework, Photography, Drawing and Painting, Cooking, Singing and Instrumental.

I am sure that as a church we have more than enough talent to make a meaningful entry.

For more information, please contact me or go on line at

methodistfestival@hotmail.co.uk

Graham McLeod

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IBRA READERS

Books for 2017 will be available at the beginning of December.

The Price of **'Fresh from the Word'** will be **£9.99**

Marie Gittings

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THE AMAZING EXERCISE FOR PEOPLE OVER 60 !!

Begin by standing on a comfortable surface, where you have plenty of room at each side.

With a 5-lb potato bag in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can. Try to reach a full minute, and then relax. Each day you'll find that you can hold this position for just a bit longer.

After a couple of weeks, move up to 10-lb potato bags. Then try 50-lb potato bags and eventually try to get to where you can lift a 100-lb potato bag in each hand and hold your arms straight for more than a full minute. (I'm at this level).

After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag.



Bromley Road, BR3 5JE



A fund raiser for the
Redevelopment



FUN

**6.30pm Saturday 19th
November 2016**

Come on your own and join a
team or bring your own team –
up to 8 people in a team.



Tickets £10 (*children 16 or
under free*) to include
ploughman's supper
and soft drinks/tea



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Volunteers are requested to join the Folding & Stapling Party at 10.00am on Thursday 26th January in the Wesley Lounge at Bromley Road.

Circuit Olympics Quiz at Beckenham on 14 May 2016

Questions as posed Round 5: Olympic medley

1. Who was the founder of the modern Olympic Games? [**Pierre de Coubertin**]
2. In which two events did Kelly Holmes win Olympic gold medals for Great Britain at the 2004 Olympics? [**800m and 1500m**]
3. In which film do Channing Tatum and Mark Ruffalo play former American Olympic wrestlers Mark and Dave Schultz? [**Foxcatcher**]
4. Gemma Gibbons won hearts at the 2012 Olympics when she mouthed “love you mum” after securing a silver medal - in which sport? [**Judo 76kg weight**]
5. How long is an Olympic-size swimming pool? [**50 metres**]
6. When were women first allowed to participate? [**1900**]
7. Which country has been represented by a record-breaking sprinter and an ‘underdog’ bobsleigh team? [**Jamaica**]
8. Who designed the UK’s tallest structure, the ArcelorMittal Orbit at the London Olympic Park? [**Sir Anish Kapoor**]

Round 6: Olympic cities

1. Who accidentally sprayed Vladimir Putin with champagne after winning the 2015 Russian Grand Prix at Sochi, the site of the 2014 Winter Olympics? [**Lewis Hamilton**]
2. What landmark in Los Angeles was originally erected as a thirteen-part advert in 1923, then had 4 of those 13 parts taken away in 1949, to be left in its current, iconic form? [**The Hollywood Sign**]
3. Turin, site of the 2006 Winter Olympics, is on the banks of which river, which also shares its name with one of the Teletubbies? [**Po**]
4. Who designed Barcelona’s famously incomplete Sagrada Familia? [**Antoni Gaudi**]
5. Eurostar trains from London travel to which station in Central Paris? [**Gare du Nord**]
6. Which recent Olympic host city contains the renowned Forbidden City, an imperial palace for almost 500 years? [**Beijing**]

(Quiz questions / answers cont'd)

7. In which month does Munich's Oktoberfest always begin? [September]
8. The only American state capital with a three-word name hosted the 2002 Winter Olympics - what is its name? [Salt Lake City]

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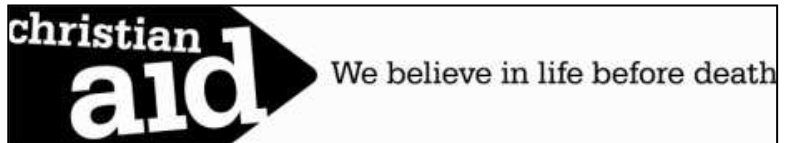
**Christmas Coffee
Morning
at The Manse
10.30 - 12.30**

Saturday 3rd December

38 Bramerton Road

Beckenham, BR3 3PB

Donations
invited



Christmas appeal 2016

Bring about life changing change this Christmas

'My soul glorifies the Lord' Luke 1.46

Everyone welcome!

Tea Concert held at Beckenham Methodist Church,
Bromley Road,
On Sunday 11th September 2016

Tea Concerts have been around for some time, but we believe that this may have been one of the first to be held in Beckenham.

So what is a Tea Concert? It is an opportunity for young musicians to demonstrate their skills in front of an audience (with tea provided in the interval!)

The 125-strong audience at Beckenham Methodist Church on this Sunday afternoon was certainly treated to a delightful, varied and skilfully presented programme of music, with plentiful tea and home-made cakes served in the interval.

Music ranging from the 18th to the 20th centuries (from Bach and Hayden to Britten and Horowitz) was played by students of the Oboe, Clarinet, 'Cello, Guitar and Piano, while singers regaled us with duets and popular musical theatre numbers. Several of the performers are students at the Royal College of Music. They were ably accompanied at the piano by David Thorne, who also played the Organ.

The technical ability of the young artists was most impressive, as was their obvious enjoyment of performing to an appreciative audience. As people left at the end of a wonderful afternoon's music-making, there were many requests for more concerts!

The concert was devised and promoted by Mark and Caroline Cheesman, and the refreshments were provided by supporters. The Revd. Barbara Calvert outlined proposals for the redevelopment of the Church and explained that the money raised from the concert, an impressive **£1,465**, would help to support these plans.

Many thanks to the performers for a great Concert



Scouts Camp 2017 – Portugal

The Bromley Scout District are organising an international camp to Portugal next year and we are delighted that we have a contingent of 7 Scouts and 4 Leaders joining this exciting trip.

The camp between the 5th and 12th of August will be attended by almost 200 people from the borough. The campsite is the National Scout Centre and is next to the beach about an hour's drive from Lisbon.

The range of activities available are expected to include; surfing, climbing, caving, a day trip to Lisbon, paintballing, beach games, Portuguese culture evenings, kayaking and climbing the Cristo Rei monument.

The Scouts have committed to undertake some fundraising to help cover some of the cost of the camp and our first event was a stall at WordFest on Beckenham Green in July. This was a literary based festival where we ran word based games and raised a fantastic £125.

We are looking forward to further events over the coming months.



**The Guides have
Great Fun
on their Summer
Camp**





**SLS Concert Saturday
26th November 2016,
Bromley Rd.
Beckenham at 7.45 pm**

After a couple of concerts last season featuring German composers and Jazz numbers, the new season begins with a look at French composers. One of the most popular works in the choral repertoire is Fauré's Requiem and the concert will include that in the second half. Who cannot be moved by his setting of the "Pie Jesu" or the final "In Paradisum"?

Other pieces include three smaller compositions by Gabriel Fauré (including Pavane and Cantique de Jean Racine) two part songs by Camille Saint-Saens, The Lord's Prayer in a setting by Maurice Duruflé and a madrigal by Passereau, "Il est bel et bon".

David Thorne will accompany on the piano and organ as well as playing an organ solo. He and the conductor Julian Collings will again entertain us with some piano duets, Fauré's Dolly Suite amongst them for those old enough to remember 'Listen with Mother'!

Tickets are the same price as last year (£11) and are free for children between 8 and 18 when accompanied by an adult. (Available in the usual way from TCs or from members of the choir).

David Jackson

Worship times at Clock House Road and Bromley Road

The proposal to hold a trial starting time for worship services from September at 9.30am at Clock House Road, followed by tea/coffee and at 11.00am at Bromley Road, also followed by tea/coffee will continue until March 2017 when the Church Council will review this matter.



OPEN **DOOR**



**Wesley Lounge at Bromley Road
Mondays 2 to 3.30pm**

NOVEMBER 2016

- 7th** **Diane Chorley - Redevelopment Plans**
- 14th** **Games Afternoon**
- 21st** **Singing the Psalms**
- 28th** **Alison Driscoll - ABCD and Advent meditation**

DECEMBER 2016

- 5th** **St Andrew**
- 12th** **Rev Barbara Calvert**

CHRISTMAS BREAK

JANUARY 2017

- 9th** **Epiphany**
- 16th** **Rev Barbara Calvert**
- 23rd** **Hospices of Hope**
- 30th** **'The Best Days of Your Life' - were they?**



NEWS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

June Durston: We are glad to learn that June is now at home and we continue to think of her at this sad and difficult time.

Margaret Harradine: is continuing her treatment at home.

Emily Husband: is now taking her finals at Durham University and we wish her well for this important year.

Alice Everest and Darren Lavender's Wedding took place on Saturday, 29th October at our church and we now wish them every blessing as they begin their married life.

Christine Delroy: A Service of Thanksgiving took place on 11th October at Bromley Road when we remembered Christine's love of dancing, the contribution she made in serving in TCs and her invaluable work at the local St. Christopher's shop.

Kevin Durston: A Thanksgiving Service for Kevin's life will be held at this church on Thursday, 17th November at 12 noon.

Let us be contented with what has happened to us and thankful for all we have been spared. Let us accept the natural order in which we move. Let us reconcile ourselves to the mysterious rhythm of our destinies, such as they must be in this world of space and time.

Let us treasure our joys but not bewail our sorrows.

The glory of light cannot exist without its shadows.

*Life is whole,
good and ill must be accepted together.*

*The journey has been
eventful and well worth making...once*

quotation by Winston Churchill (1874-1965)

MEN'S FORUM - PROGRAMME 2016/17

Since our last report The Men's Forum has continued to meet regularly at 11.00am on the second Saturday of each month.

We have had an instructive and enlightening address by Len Rhodes who told us of his early education on the organ, which led to him being appointed organist at Clock House at the age of 13, followed by his appointment at Bromley Road. Len then led us through his career as a composer, arranger, organist, pianist and music teacher in the UK and USA.

Gordon Hughes presented us with an illustrated talk on the Mosquito aircraft, a stalwart of WWII.

In October we were highly entertained by Martin Ball, who gave a varied selection of pieces on piano and organ with insights into the works of varied and diverse composers.

We have continued to worship at Bromley Methodist Church followed by lunch. This culminated in our visit to Wesley's Chapel and Museum on October 20th, when we shared in the Lunchtime Service.

Our programme for November and December is:

Saturday Nov. 12th 11am Nada Shumoogum talking about Mauritius

Thursday Nov. 24th 12.15pm Bromley Methodist Church followed by
lunch at The Royal Oak, Green Street Green

Thursday Dec. 8th 1.00pm Christmas Lunch at The Warren
Open invitation to all

Saturday Dec. 10th 11.00am Rev. Barbara Calvert

Thursday Dec. 29th 12.15pm Bromley Methodist Church and lunch

A warm welcome is extended to join us at our meetings, which present a forum for discussion on all matters of interest and to share in visits.

New members are always most welcome.



CHURCHES TOGETHER in BECKENHAM

We are pleased to report that CTiB continues to flourish in Beckenham.

Coming up the following events will be taking place or are being planned:.

An Advent Service at Penge Congregational Church (See page 23)

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18 -25 January 2017

Lent 2017 – A series of workshops will be held each week at St Johns,
Eden Park, Beckenham
More details to follow in due course.

Easter 2017 - the Walk of Witness will take place as in previous years.

Make sure you watch the notices and the Indicator for more information on these events over the coming year.

Beckenham Methodist Church is doing its part to help with all this.
If anyone would like to come along to these meetings please speak to either myself or Barbara.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY **January 18th to 25th 2017**

There will be an event arranged for each day of the week

A pulpit swap is being arranged by the local clergy

Full details will be given in the Church Weekly Notices

Christine Handel & Maureen Bull

Church Flowers - Bromley Road

November 2016	6th	Margaret Hazlewood
	13th	REMEMBRANCE
	20th	Diane Chorley
	27th	Sheila Priestman
December 2016	4th	Christine Gaskin
	11th	Gretta Blacknell
	18th	Valerie Wilson
	25rd	CHRISTMAS

January 2017	8th	Joy Huggett
	15th	Frank Thompson
	22nd	Brenda Hotham
	29th	Sybil Cook

Church Flowers - Clock House Road

November 2016	6th	Mary Sawyer
	13th	Remembrance BR
	20th	Irene Antwi
	27th	Maureen Bull
December 2016	11th	Lum & Roy
	18th	Irene Antwi

January 2017	15th	TBA
	22nd	TBA



Advent and Christmas dates for your diary

A packed programme this year:-

Sunday 4th December a CTiB service will be held at Penge Congregational Church at **3.00pm**.

Monday 5th December A Christingle service, **6.30pm** at Bromley Road Methodist Church. Come and join the young people.

Saturday 10th December Carol singing **all day** outside Waitrose, Beckenham we will be helped by CTiB churches and other groups. Collection in Aid of Refugees. Please speak to one of the Stewards or the Minister if you are able to join us. **Waitrose will supply hot drinks.**

Sunday 11th December - Gift and Parade Services at Clock House Road (**9.30am**) and Bromley Road (**11.00am**). As in previous years the gifts will be donated to Deptford Mission who have asked for small toys, games etc for children but also gifts for the elderly who join them on Christmas Day. E.g. toiletries, mugs, food (non-perishable), stationery etc.
A Christmas Concert by the 'Carefree Singers' at **3.30pm** - Bromley Road.

Sunday 18th December
Carols by Candlelight at Bromley Road at **4.00pm** (Joint service)

Saturday 24th December - Christmas Eve Communion at Bromley Road
(Joint Service) **11.15pm**

Sunday 25th December - Christmas Day Combined Family Service
10.00am Joint service at Bromley Road ***NOTE CHANGE OF TIME***

Saturday 31st December – A Watchnight Service at **11.00 pm**, Clockhouse Road Church (This is a Circuit Service)

Sunday 1st January 2017
A Circuit Service at West Wickham Methodist Church - **10.30am**

Sunday 8th January 2017 - Annual Covenant Service. Joint Service 11.00 am at Bromley Road

CTiB - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Plans to date are as copied below:

Wednesday 18th January: St James's Time TBC

Thursday 19th January: St Edmund's Time TBC

Friday 20th January: St George's, Julian Meditation
Group 3.30pm

Saturday 21st January: (Nothing so far)

Monday 22nd January: Beckenham Baptist Church
Taizé Service 8.00pm

Tuesday 23rd January: Penge Congregational Church
Cafe Church 10.00am

Wednesday 24th January: Elmers End Free Church
Scottish Themed Service 12.30pm

Lent Groups – Will go ahead, dates to be 7th, 14th, 21st and
28th March plus 14th April 2017 at St Johns Eden Park
Times: 7.30pm for a 'soft start' with tea/coffee and start at
8.00pm.

Good Friday – 14th April '17 – A silent walk of witness.

Big Picnic – Proposed date of 25th June 2017 - (Details later)

Christian Aid – Kate Buchanan has taken over as the
Co-ordinator .

Bromley Methodist Church
College Road, Bromley

Thursday Service - 12.15 pm

Preachers for November 2016

- 3rd** **John Morley**
Lay Reader, St Luke's Church, Bromley Common
- 10th** **Revd Andrew Jablonski**
Associate Priest, St Peter & St Paul Church
- 17th** **Revd Karen George**
Minister, Bromley Methodist Church
- 24th** **Revd Barbara Calvert**
Superintendent Minister, Bromley Methodist Circuit

Preachers for December

- 1st** **Deacon Laura MacBean** **12.30 pm**
West Wickham Methodist Church
- 8th** **David Lemmon**
Local Preacher, Bromley Methodist Church
- 15th** **Revd Karen George**
Minister, Bromley Methodist Church
- 22nd** **Christmas Readings and Carols**
The Bromley Methodist Play Readers

*There will be no Service on 29th December.
Preachers in January will include Revd Karen George
and Revd Anne Jablonski,
Vicar of St Peter & St Paul Church, Bromley.*

All are welcome.



Sunday Services

Bromley Road

11.00am

Revd Barbara Calvert
Holy Communion

6th November

Clockhouse Road

9.30am

Revd Barbara Calvert
Holy Communion

13th November **10.50am**

Revd Barbara Calvert Joint Service at Bromley Road
REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

20th November

Dr Clive Timehin

Deacon Laura MacBean

27th November

Revd Barbara Calvert

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4th December **(11.00am)**

Revd Barbara Calvert Joint Service at Bromley Road
Advent — Holy Communion

11th December

Revd Barbara Calvert

Revd Barbara Calvert
Parade/ Nativity

Sunday Services

Bromley Road

Mr David Lemmon
11.00am

Clockhouse Road

18th December

Revd Karen George
9.30am

18th December **4.00 pm**

Revd Barbara Calvert
Candlelit Carol Service

25th December **10.00am**

Christmas Day

Revd Barbara Calvert Joint Service at Bromley Road

31st December **11.00 pm**

Dr Clive Timehin - Circuit Watchnight Service at Clockhouse Road

1st January 2017 **10.30am**

Mrs Christina Messenger Circuit Service at West Wickham Church

8th January **11.00am**

Revd Barbara Calvert Joint Service at Bromley Road
Covenant & Holy Communion

15th January

Deacon Laura MacBean
11.00am

Mr Mike Tinson
9.30am

22nd January

Revd Barbara Calvert
{Pulpit Swap}
11.00am

Mrs Christina Messenger
9.30am

29th January

Mr Mike Tinson
11.00am

Deacon Laura MacBean
9.30am

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