

The Week Ahead 15th - 21st May 2017

- Mon 15th** 2.00pm (BR) Open Door meets in the Wesley Lounge with "Thoughts of Spring" – all ideas welcome.
6.15pm (BR) Brownies meet in the Bevington Hall.
8.30pm (BR) Badminton Club.
- Weds 17th** 10.30am (BR) Knitting Group at TCs
6.15 pm (BR) Beavers and Cubs
7.30 pm (BR) Scouts meet in the Bevington Hall
7.45 pm Class Meeting at Sheila's home – topic 'Peter'.
- Fri 19th** 7.00 pm (BR) Guides meet in the Bevington Hall.
Rangers meet in the Wesley Lounge.
- Sat 20th** from 8.30 am 'Big Brekkie' for Christian Aid at Elm Road Baptist Church. See poster for more information.
7.00pm (BR) Beckenham Junior Choir concert featuring the first performance of the children's opera "One of my brothers is a Lion". Admission free. See poster.
- Sunday 21st May 2017 Church Anniversary and Gift Day**
9.30 am CHR Service conducted by Major Cliff Kent
11.00 am BR Service conducted by the Chair of District, the Revd. Nigel Cowgill.
12.30 pm BR General Church Meeting – to which all members of the congregation are invited.
3.00pm at St. George's Church, Beckenham. Songs of Praise for Dementia Awareness Week 2017. See poster for details.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 23rd May. 2.00pm West Croydon Methodist Church – An afternoon with the Vice President. See poster for information.

Thursday 25th May 8.00 pm - Ascension Day Joint Service at St. Paul's Church, Brackley Road

Reflect 7/9th July - See Noticeboard for more details.

Beckenham Methodist Church Bromley Road, Beckenham BR3 5JE Clock House Road, Beckenham BR3 4JP (2 congregations) Sunday 14th May

Prayer for the week

As we celebrate the 60th year of Christian Aid here is a prayer from Christian Aid week 1958.

O Christ our Lord
who came in
homelessness
that you might find a
home in us
and that everyone
would find a home in
you
we bring before you at
this time
all who are homeless,
in exile or in suffering.
Grant them the sense of being held fast in you
and enable all who love you to strive together for a world
which shall be closer to your Kingdom
in which all may live together as a family,
each caring for all, and all caring for each,
for the sake of peace. Amen.



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The **Methodist Church** 

Reg. Charity No 1138006
Beckenham Methodist Church
Bromley Road
Sunday 14th May 2017
Christian Aid Sunday

Introit: Hymn 401 verse 6

Receiving of the colours

Welcome & call to worship

StF 403 God is love, his the care

Prayer of adoration

Lord's prayer

Introduction to Christian Aid Week and the Gospel reading

Gospel reading (dramatised): Luke 10: 25-37

Reflections on the 'Good Samaritan' story: Who is my neighbour?

StF 256 When I needed a neighbour

Reflections on the 'Good Samaritan' story: When and why do we pass by on the other side?

Prayer of confession

StF 249 Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

Reflections on the 'Good Samaritan' story: Faraidoon, Farzad and Christian Aid

StF 718 We lay our broken world

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession

Offertory

StF 696 For the healing of the nations & return of the colours

Closing responses

Sunday 14th May 2017

Clock House Road

9.30 am Service conducted by the Rev. Barbara Calvert
Organist: Mary Sawyer

Bromley Road

11.00 am Church Parade and All-age Worship conducted
by Mr. Richard Baker
Organist: Martin Ball

12.15 pm Ploughman's Lunch - proceeds to Christian Aid

3.30pm CTiB United Service 3.30pm at St. Mary's Church,
Shortlands, to celebrate Christian Aid Week.

We welcome all visitors to our services. Please join us for further fellowship over tea and coffee afterwards

Christian Aid Week – Volunteers to do house-to-house collecting - please contact Lum Ntumazah if you are able to help.

Church Anniversary and Gift Day – Sunday 21st May – The preacher at Bromley Road is the Chairman of our District, the Revd. Nigel Cowgill. Please come and share coffee and cake after the service before the General Church Meeting takes place when there will be a presentation on the redevelopment. All are encouraged to come and support the election of officers and your representatives to the Church Council. Please let Jenny Nichols know if you would like to be more involved in the life of our church.

A new Minister - Following the Circuit Meeting on 7th May we are pleased to announce that the Circuit Meeting have invited the Very Reverend Ray Coster from the Presbyterian Church in New Zealand to come and minister in the circuit for a year beginning September 2017. Ray will have pastoral charge of Beckenham Methodist Church and is a highly experienced and gifted minister. Ray will be coming with his wife, Judy and they will be living in the Bramerton Rd manse. His appointment is subject to the agreement of the Methodist Conference and the issue of a relevant visa. For the period of one year beginning September 2017 Revd Karen George will be Acting Superintendent Minister and will have pastoral charge of West Wickham Methodist Church alongside Deacon Laura MacBean, who will continue to focus her ministry on the church and community of West Wickham.

The Circuit will be entering the stationing process in the Autumn of 2017 to seek a Superintendent Minister with pastoral charge of Beckenham and West Wickham from September 2018 onwards

**Beckenham Methodist Church
Clock House Road
Sunday 14th May 2017
Christian Aid Sunday**

Call to worship

Hymn 637: Soldiers of Christ, arise

Address

Prayers

**Hymn 462: Come with me, come wander, come
welcome the world**

Reading: Acts 7. 55 – 60

Address

Hymn 531: What a friend we have in Jesus

Reading: John 14. 1 - 14

Address

Hymn 248: I heard the voice of Jesus say

Offering

Prayers of intercession

Hymn 403: God is love; his the care

Blessing