

WIMPOLE ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 17 August 2008

10.30 a.m. Rev. John Allison
Holy Communion
Service of Baptism for
Grace Brooke Cornwell and
Thomas Andrew Thorne

Introit by Choir: H&P 467. Break thou the bread of life

Services next Sunday 24 August

10.30 a.m. Holiday Club Service

Collect for today:

God of the nations, to whose table all are invited and in whose kingdom no one is a stranger: hear the cries of the hungry and mercifully extend to all the people on earth the joy of your salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Coffee, tea and biscuits will be served in the adjoining Church Parlour following this morning's service. There is no charge but a donation box is available. Everyone invited, especially any visitors to our church.

Stewards on duty today: Christine Firmin Jonathan Sparkes

WIMPOLE ROAD NEWS.

The new issue is now available in the vestibule priced 50p.

CIRCUIT PLAN

The new plan is also available and copies are in the vestibule.

DIARY DATES

SPECIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Wednesday 20 August 7.30 p.m. = CANCELLED

MONTHLY PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday 27 August 7.45 p.m.

At Hill House, Lexden. A warm welcome awaits anyone interested in coming along for prayer and fellowship.

NOTICES

HOLIDAY CLUB - CAKES APPEAL

Holiday Club **week (18 – 22 August)**. I am looking for people to pledge a cake for the children's lunch. Please let me know if you can help.

Cakes are very expensive to buy and the children really enjoyed the home-made cakes they had last year. Thank you. *Sarah Topple* Tel: 794020

HARVEST FOR THE HUNGRY

We will be celebrating our Harvest Festival on **28 September** and once again we will be supporting the work of Harvest for the Hungry.

If we want to support with gifts of food, we could start to buy these with our weekly groceries now. As explained we can either make up single item boxes (as we have in the past) of sugar, plain flour, rice, pasta or tinned tomatoes (new for 2008) or family boxes, comprising any of the above, plus fun sized chocolate bars, spaghetti, biscuits, tinned fruit and tuna fish. Additionally, don't forget that H4H also collect blanket squares (I have the details of these). If you would prefer to donate monies as opposed to goods, that is fine and can be Gift Aided if you are a UK tax payer. *Andrew Topple*

OFFERTORY GIVING BY STANDING ORDERS

Property & Finance Committee would like to invite members to consider making their offertory contributions by Standing Order. Gift Aid is still applicable but this is much easier for accounting purposes. If you have a bank current account a monthly Standing Order is very easy to arrange. The details needed are Wimpole Road Methodist Church – HSBC. Sort code 40 18 51 and account number 11205374. Beverly Leppard or any member of the Committee will be pleased to help and explain further.

WIMPOLE ROAD SOUP RUN - URGENT APPEAL

Due to circumstances three of our male helpers are no longer able to give of their time to assist on the Soup Run.

If any gentleman, in our church, feels they could help in this form of outreach, please come and have a chat. Or if you know of anybody who could help in this way, I would be very pleased to have a chat with them. Likewise, we could do with one or two more ladies who would be willing to help with 'sandwich making'. A turn only comes round three to four times a year, and you are only asked to supply/make up just two loaves. Please give this urgent appeal some prayerful thought to enable us, as a church, to carry on this work. With thanks, *Betty Fothergill*

'WASTE WATCHERS' HOLIDAY CLUB 18 - 22 AUGUST

As you will have seen from the posters this year's Holiday Club is 'Waste Watchers' and we are in need of helpers to assist with craft, singing and games. If you are free to help for some or all of the week, please can you speak to us. Arguably Holiday Club represents some of the most significant outreach activity at Wimpole Road, so your help is both needed and will be greatly appreciated. We look forward to hearing from you. *Andrew & Sue*

SOMETHING FOR NOTHING - GIFT AID

Thanks to all who have signed up. We will receive a tax refund this year of £3,998.97.

My estimate was £4,000 so please help make up the shortfall of £1.03
Martin Broom

CHRISTIAN AID UPDATE

The grand total raised by Colchester churches for this year's Christian Aid Week was £38,463.94, an increase of 4.3% on last year. Lots of relatively small amounts really do add up!

Looking ahead (!!)

there will be a Christian Aid Carol Service at Eld Lane Baptist Church on Saturday 6th December at 7pm. A Christian Aid Partner from the Middle East will take part. More details to follow.

Michael Watkins

FOR YOUR PRAYERS:

Edith Plane; June and Peter Howard; George Bell; Mark Smith; Martin Broom; Max Peter, a much wanted baby born at 27 weeks, in intensive care – pray for his survival (a relative of Margaret & Keith Clubb).

CIRCUIT PRAYER LINK:

David Carter; Rev. Richard Chappel currently in hospital.

Further details and full list available on the Prayer Tables.

PLEASE PRAY for all who are unwell, troubled or bereaved and who need our prayers, especially for those living in **Bourne Road**, for whom we will be praying this week.

COLLECTIONS

Sunday 10 August:	Envelopes	£170.50
	Cash	£ 64.15
	Standing Orders	£137.31

ITEMS FOR NOTICES

Please forward to Alison Ablewhite by phone, e-mail or post by Friday midday. Tel: (01206) 869505 or e-mail: alison.ablewhite@btinternet.com.

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**WELCOME TO EVERYONE WORSHIPPING  
WITH US TODAY.  
WE HOPE THAT THIS ACT OF WORSHIP  
WILL BE A BLESSING TO ALL.**

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N. B. All morning services in this church are now recorded on tape. If you would like to borrow one for yourself or a friend, please contact Edward Pentney or one of the Church Stewards.