

Welcome To



Romsey Methodist Church

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Sunday 17th January 2010 World Peace



10.30am **Morning Worship led by Marion Carter**
All Age Worship

Hymn Books Junior Church

Flowers Sylvia Thomas

Coffee Andrea Scott

Crèche Elizabeth Robertson

Junior Church

All children ages 3 to 12 are welcome.

On The Road

Our youth group, moves round to different churches in the circuit. They are meeting at Romsey this week (ring Marion Carter 01794 501066 for transport)

Crèche

A Crèche is available for most 10.30am Services.

Prayer Ministry at Romsey

Exciting new moves in the continuing development of the church's prayer life coming soon! WATCH THIS SPACE!"

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Diary for the week

Monday 18th

7.30pm Manpower—see inside for details

Tuesday 19th

10.00-1200 Art Studio in the church hall from 10.00 til 12.00. New folk always welcome.

Wednesday 20th

10.30am WOW — Worship on Wednesday WOW meets in the small hall All are welcome.

Thursday 21st

10.00am-11.30am Thursday Housegroup at the home of Dick and Audrey Fanner, 29 St Anne's House, Banning Street

2.30pm The Women's Fellowship welcome Rev Stella Long to their meeting. All welcome.

Friday 22nd

Saturday 23rd

Next Sunday 24th January Week of Prayer

10.30am Morning Worship led by Dr John Evans

Hymn Books	Simon and Jo Cockwell
Flowers	Emily Browne
Coffee	Dick and Audrey
Crèche	Anne

6.30pm United Service at the Abbey

Action for Children

All Day Collection and Sales Table at the Swan Centre, Eastleigh on Saturday 6th February. Any unwanted gifts or items we can sell would be gratefully received by Audrey and Brian Adey. Please phone 01794 513954 if you want us to collect them. Collectors are also wanted for one or two hour periods. Thank you.

The total amount raised by the Romsey Support Group during 2009 for Action for Children amounted to £16342.67. Grateful thanks to everyone who helped to make this possible.

Women's Fellowship Meeting

On Thursday 21st January at 2.30pm the Women's Fellowship will hold their first meeting of the New Year in the small hall. Please do join us. Our guest speaker will be Rev Stella Long who will be continuing her life story. This time Stella will tell us about when she was the manager of a hostel for homeless people.

Manpower - Romsey Methodist Men

Monday, 18 January, 7.30

'Getting the most out of your digital camera'

with Jason Elkin and Alan Clark

All men warmly invited

Bring your camera!

Abbey United Reformed Church Community Awareness Weekend

13 – 14 February 2010

Coffee Morning (10 – 12 noon) on 13 February

Workshop on *Managing Money* 10.30 – 11.30 am on 13 February

Developing from its annual Community Awareness Service, Abbey URC is holding a Community Coffee Morning on Saturday 13 February (10 am – 12 noon) in the Abbey (URC) Hall. This will be in aid of the Alabare Oasis project (providing accommodation for homeless young people in Romsey) and the Romsey Citizen's Advice Bureau (CAB – providing a vital information and advice service).

There will be displays of local community groups and activities and a workshop given by Mike Dillon (from the Citizen's Advice Bureau) on **Managing Money** (10.30 am – 11.30 am). This aims to provide basic advice on managing your finances, debts etc. and will include time for questions. If you would like to attend the workshop please contact Christine Lambert (01794 523596).

JUNIOR CHURCH LEADERS We have had some helpers who have been kind enough to step in to help while we find a permanent solution to our need for Junior Church Leaders. If there are any of you that are keen to do some children's ministry and are able to help our team of Junior Church Teachers it would be great. The age range at the moment is very large and it would help if we had at least three people each week prepared to help so that the groups could be split for the main activity and teaching. We are a friendly team and our Stewards are very supportive too, so please think seriously about joining us. Speak to Vicky Jones or telephone her 01794 502750

Visit of Bishop Charles and Margaret Obaikol, 20th January 2010

Some of you may remember the visit to Romsey planned in October 2008 by the Bishop of Soroti, Uganda, which unfortunately had to be cancelled because of his serious illness. God willing, we now hope to be able to re-arrange the visit this month when Bishop Charles and his wife, Margaret, spend a few days in Romsey en route to a visit to the USA.

Bishop Charles has recently retired as senior bishop of the Church of Uganda in the Teso Region, a very poor part in the east of this country. For many years he and Margaret have been generous hosts for Teso Development Trust's visits to Soroti, enabling us to see the progress of our projects in the region. During our visit last July, Janet and I were horrified by scenes of famine in large areas, yet despite such hardships we were heartened by the faith of the stricken communities. TDT is determined to redouble its efforts in 2010 to meet the needs of this needy part of Africa, working through the strong and efficient Christian leadership in the region.

Meetings have been planned in Romsey Methodist Church on Wednesday, 20th January, where Bishop Charles and Margaret will challenge us with a vision of God's purpose amongst His needy children.

10.30 a.m. Worship on Wednesday (in the church not in the small hall)
Bible Study, Prayer and Discussion, followed by refreshments.

12.30 p.m. Bring and share lunch in the church
Informal Fellowship, followed by TDT presentation and talk by Bishop Charles

7.30 p.m. Service of Praise and Challenge in the church
Cadnam Praise Band, TDT presentation and address by Bishop Charles