

NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2023

A very warm welcome to everyone joining in worship today.

If you are a visitor, or new to the area, please make yourself known to the worship leader, duty elder, or sidespersons and write in the Visitor's Book on the table at the back of the church.

Tea and coffee will be served in The Oasis after the service – please join us for a time of fellowship if you are able to.



SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER:

11.00 a.m. Morning Service led by Jeremy Day.

Readings: Genesis 32:22-31 (p.36) & Matthew 14:13-21 (p.981) Richard

Duty Elder: Dorothy Vickery

COFFEE SHOP IN THE OASIS open Monday to Friday 10.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER:

1.00 to 2.00 p.m. 'Food for Thought' in The Oasis – full details overleaf.

SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER:

10.00 a.m. - 12 noon Forecourt Sale & Coffee Morning.

SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER:

11.00 a.m. Morning Service led by Peter Williams.

Duty Elder: Pauline Woodham

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Please collect one from the shelves at the back of the church and return them,
along with your hymn books, at the end of the service

Meeting for prayer before the service, from 10.40 for 10 minutes in the Hardwick room. Anyone is most welcome to join in.

Pauline Woodham will usually be available after the service for anyone who would like to chat about concerns or worries and would like someone to pray with them.

Thank you to Richard and Heather Piper for the flowers in church today, in memory of Richard's nephew, Tim.

Contributions to the Offertory to support the work and Worship of the Church may be made by cash or cheque in the bag during the Service or by bank transfer.

Gift aid envelopes are available to use, if appropriate. All donations are gratefully received and will be dedicated during the service. Further details from the Elders if required.

Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over.

Matthew 14 v.18-20

'FOOD FOR THOUGHT' – Wednesday 6th September from 1.00 – 2.00 p.m. in The Oasis Café Come and enjoy a time together, with soup, a roll and a speaker

Speaker Revd Derek Page (Ruislip Baptist) 'Many a true word spoken in jest'

Please indicate if you wish to attend either by signing the list at the back of the church (URC) or calling the Church Administrator on 07792143888

Because of the popularity of this event it is important to book a place before the day

FORECOURT SALE ON SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER – please speak to Richard Piper if you can offer help on Friday and/or Saturday or provide goods to sell.

Home-made cakes will be most welcome for the Coffee Morning.

DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER ICN – If you want to include items in that issue the deadline for sending them to the editor is Friday 8th September at 12 noon.

AUTUMN ISSUE OF GRAPEVINE – copies now available to collect. Donations welcome please

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – the next Church Meeting will be held on **Sunday 24**th **September** after the morning service. Please attend if possible. Church Members should send apologies if unable to attend.

THE SUNDAY NOTICE-SHEET has been prepared by Celia Miller for approximately 25 years and she feels that it is really time for someone else to take over now. The job is regular, but not onerous – it just needs someone with a computer/laptop, an eye for detail and an awareness of activities taking place in our church. Please speak to Celia if you might consider taking this on.

THE CHURCH CHOIR - Our church has a long tradition of having a Church Choir to help lead the music in our worship. It is time to look at how we can build and increase numbers in the Choir so we are looking for new singers. We meet on a Sunday morning at 10.00 for a rehearsal and look forward to once again contributing a choir piece during most services. If you've been toying with the idea of adding your voice to our Choir this will be an excellent moment to 'take the plunge'! All ages welcome.

Rehearsals begin again on Sunday 10th September. For more information speak to or call Peter Williams our Organist and Choirmaster on 07956 990555.

EMPTY BLISTER PACKS - please can we request that you do not drop off large bulk amounts, only those from personal use. The box has been moved into the church at the moment, near the bookcase.

PRAYERS FOR OUR COMMUNITY & FOR THE WORLD

We pray for all members of our congregation who are recovering from recent health issues.

We especially hold our friend Daphne Warden in thought and prayer at this time as she is in Hillingdon Hospital, having recently had a fall and broken her hip and wrist.

We pray for people all over the world who have been affected by recent natural disasters.

Our earnest and heartfelt prayers continue for the end of the war in Ukraine and other war-torn areas.

Our Mission Statement

Ickenham United Reformed Church aims to welcome and serve others in Christ's name and spread the news of God's love.

We aim to help each other to grow in Christian faith and spiritual life and worship God together.