

Church @ The Pines

THE CHURCH @ THE PINES NEWSLETTER



ORDER OF SERVICE

11am – Last post and 2 minute silence

Welcome

HYMN: God welcomes all strangers and friends

Welcoming prayer

Young people leave for Sunday School

Readings – Acts 2: 42-47 and Romans 12: 1-8

HYMN: Thanks for friends who keep on loving

Talk and activity

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Young People return

Closing Prayer

HYMN: Indescribable

Notices

Grace

Coffee



PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

A prayer for those who have died on active service

O God of truth and justice,
we hold before you those people who have died in active service.

As we honour their courage and cherish their memory,
may we put our faith in your future;
for you are the source of life and hope,
now and for ever.
Amen.

This week we pray for all those living in Sarum.

NOTICES

Church Finances

We do not take a collection during the service but a Response Box is on the Information Table, should you wish to make a donation to the work of our Church.

Alternatively, you could sign a Standing Order form committing to regular monthly giving, which allows our Treasurer (Ben) to monitor the church finances more closely. Please do speak with Ben if you wish to make arrangements for this.

Remembrance Sunday

This Sunday please arrive in good time as the service will start promptly with silence being held at 11am.

Dates for the diary

3rd December – Christingle Service

10th December – Nativity Service

17th December – Carol Service

24th December – 11am Christmas Eve service

25th December - Christmas Day – 9.30am service

31st December – 10am Circuit Service at Woosehill (no service at Church @ the Pines)

New house group

Linda and Reg are planning to start a new house group in early 2024. At this moment they are asking for levels of interest and which weekday evening would work best for people that would like to attend. Please speak to Linda or Reg about this.



ALL AGES WELCOME
TEAMS CAN BE FORMED ON THE NIGHT
BRING AND SHARE FOOD, BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS

RAISING FUNDS FOR THE CHURCH @ THE PINES
SUGGESTED MIN DONATION OF £5 PER HOUSEHOLD

5-7PM
SATURDAY, 18TH NOVEMBER
THE PINES LOWER BUILDING, RG12 7WX

WWW.CHURCHATTHEPINES.ORG.UK



NOTICES FROM ST MICHAEL'S

School Admissions

To make the system fair and transparent, those wishing to apply to St Michael's or Ranelagh church schools on church attendance criteria will be asked to sign a register at the back of church each time they attend (even if they have a sibling at the school). To make sure that all new signees understand the admissions criteria we ask that you email the parish office to make an appointment.

Please note: Please go to the relevant school website for the latest admissions policy.

[Ranelagh](#)

[St Michaels](#)

Scam Alert

We have received reports of a scam by people posing as members of the clergy, asking people to purchase vouchers or gift cards for apparently deserving causes. One of the names which has been hacked is Revd Carol Dunk. Carol is aware of this scam. No member of the Church of England clergy will ever contact you in this way. If you receive any message which looks like one of these, please delete it immediately without replying or clicking on any link.

Wreath Making Workshops:

**2 sessions, Friday 24th November 7-9 and
Saturday 25th November 10-12 noon.**

Fundraising for The Children's Society.

£25pp including refreshments.





READINGS

Acts 2: 42-47

The Fellowship of the Believers

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. **43** Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. **44** All the believers were together and had everything in common. **45** They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. **46** Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, **47** praising God and enjoying the favour of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2: 42-47

A Living Sacrifice

12 Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. **2** Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Humble Service in the Body of Christ

3 For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. **4** For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, **5** so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. **6** We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; **7** if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; **8** if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.