



**Welcome to  
Fleet United Reformed Church**

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*The United Reformed Church is a union of the  
Congregational Church in England, Wales and Scotland,  
the Presbyterian Church of England and the Churches of Christ.*

**Sunday, 23 April, 2017**

**Worship today is led by Mrs. Diana Middleditch**

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| <i>Duty Elders:</i>         | Elizabeth McClune, Margaret Armes                          |
| <i>Door Stewards:</i>       | John & Christine Gibbons                                   |
| <i>Organist:</i>            | David Markby   |
| <i>Reader:</i>              | John Johnstone   |
| <i>Readings:</i>            | Acts 4 : 32 – 35 (N.T.118)<br>John 20 : 19 – 31 (N.T. 112) |
| <i>Footsteps:</i>           | Not Meeting  |
| <i>Coffee:</i>              | Sandra Smith   |
| <i>Ministry of Flowers:</i> | Sandra Smith   |

*A Crèche is available for the younger children if required.*

*Visiting children are also welcome to any of the Young People's activities.*

**The Week Ahead**

**Monday 24, 10.00 am** – House Group, 35 Frere Avenue

**Wednesday 26, 7.30 pm** – Elders Meeting

**Thursday 27, 10.00 am** – Coffee Morning . Also

*(Charity Sale of good quality Card Making Material, 10.30 am to 12.30 pm)*

**Thursday 27, 7.45 pm** – Churches Together Prayer Meeting. *Details overleaf*

**Friday 28, 10.00 am** – Mothers & Toddlers

**The Pulpit for April / May**

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| <b>30</b> | <b>10.00</b> | Mr. Paul Murphy  |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>10.00</b> | Revd. Ruth Dillon <i>(Followed by Church Meeting)</i>  |
| <b>7</b>  | <b>6.30</b>  | Revd. Ruth Dillon <i>(Including Holy Communion)</i>    |
| <b>14</b> | <b>10.00</b> | Revd. Alan Clarredge <i>(Mission Sunday)</i>           |
| <b>21</b> | <b>10.00</b> | Revd. Anthea Wickens <i>(Including Holy Communion)</i> |

The Leaders of Footsteps appreciated the **HE IS RISEN** contributions from the congregation during the Easter Day Service. It helped to make a colourful windows display. Thank you to all who took part.

If you are a **Visitor or recently moved into the area** you are invited to sign the Visitors Book which can be found in the Vestibule.

**STOP PRESS – SYNODS BIG DAY OUT.** If there are insufficient confirmed Bookings by Wednesday, 10th May the event will have to be cancelled. Please speak to Bee Griffiths for the latest update.

**Birthdays in April: 15** Mary Saju

*The list indicating birthdays can be found in the vestibule. If you would like to add (or delete) your name from the list please feel free to do so.*

**Foodbank** is receiving food as well as financial donations. **Current Food Shortage, April** – Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Meat, Tinned Fish, Pasta Sauce, Rice Pudding, Sponge Pudding, Toiletries (especially Toothbrushes and Toothpaste)

**Wessex & South Western Synods' Big Day Out** – Saturday, 1st July from 10.00 am at Burgate School, Fordingbridge, SP6 1EZ. This will be a fun Celebration Day out for Members, Families and Friends of all ages, following the 2017 URC theme Feast and Festivals. Adults £8 (£18 including coach); Young Persons 5 – 16 years £4 (£12 including coach). Further details or Booking arrangements from Bee Griffiths (660599)

**Hymn Writing** – Have you ever tried writing a hymn? It's not as difficult as you might think. Try it and see! We are inviting everyone to have a go at *writing a new hymn, using the 'Feasts and Festivals'* theme. It might be a Christmas Carol, or a harvest festival hymn, or a celebration hymn for some other festival.

It is suggested that you concentrate on the words of your new hymn, and use an existing tune from one of the hymn books. All the hymns submitted will be displayed on the **Big Day** and it is hoped that one of them may be used in the final Act of Worship. Hymns should be written or printed on a single sheet of A4 paper, with your name and address and telephone number on the back. Please submit by Sunday, 10 June to The Big Day Out, 1 Sheepwood Gardens, The Ridgeway, Westbury-on-Trym, BRISTOL BS10 7DG

**Christian Aid Week** is 14-20 May. It starts with our traditional Cake & Plant Sale on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May at the Parish Hall, Church Road, 10-12 noon. Donations of cakes and/or plants would be much appreciated. Please come along and support us. The United Service will be Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> at Christ Church, Gally Hill Road at 6.45 p.m. If you'd like to help with the house-to-house collections, please speak to Linda Storey or Elizabeth McClune.

**Churches Together** – An Evening of Prayer for our Town and Churches Together Projects. Thursday, 27 April at 7.45 pm. Fleet Baptist Church Lounge, Clarence Road. All are welcome.