

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, 30 April, 2017 Worship today is led by Mr. Paul Murphy

Duty Elders:	Nicola Hamilton, Margaret Armes
Door Stewards:	Gilbert Black, Cynthia Searle
Organist:	Nessie Black
Reader:	Chris Porter
Readings:	Luke 24 : 13 – 35 (N.T. 86)
Footsteps:	Grace Bagshaw, Maureen Coney, Jo Elston
Coffee:	Mary Mathew
Ministry of Flowers:	Linda Storey

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 **1**, 10.00 am – House Group, 35 Frere Avenue – Not Meeting Tuesday **2**, 4.00 pm – Pilots Thursday **4**, 10.00 am – Coffee Morning Friday **5**, 10.00 am – Mothers & Toddlers

The Pulpit for May

7 10.00 Revd. Ruth Dillon (Followed by Church Meeting)
7 6.30 Revd. Ruth Dillon (Including Holy Communion)
14 10.00 Revd. Alan Clarredge (Mission Sunday)
21 10.00 Revd. Anthea Wickens (Including Holy Communion)
28 10.00 Revd. Howard Sharp

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.

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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.

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Mission Statement of Fleet United Reformed Church

We are a community of faithful Christian people, working to spread the love of God to all.

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 May: 8 John Johnstone; 14 Carol Rayner; 19 Alan Tyler; 20 Moray Henderson; 24 Brian Armes

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.

Darrell thanks everyone for their prayers and support during a very trying time. She has been overwhelmed with all the kindness shown by so many and would like to say thank you for all the lovely cards she has received. She is still tired and weak, but is making progress and will be in touch with people when she feels able.

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 13th 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 14th 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.