Sundays in September

at Westcote Methodist Chapel

- 5th 11am Morning Service led by Rev Fred Ireland (Followed by Sunday Prayer Focus)
- 12th 11am Morning Service led by Mr Peter Allen
- 19th11amMorning Service with Holy Communion
led by Rev Stephen Bywater
- 26th 11am Harvest Thanksgiving Service led by Mr Tony Gibson

A two course Harvest lunch will be served at 1pm in Westcote Village Hall. Suggested donations of £10. Please book on the chapel noticeboard or directly with Tony. Bring your own drinks.

Please Note: We are still advised to wear masks in chapel, especially when singing.



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THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP

Thursday Fellowship will resume on **16 September** - see details overleaf.

Meanwhile why not join us on the Zoom **"Chapel Catch Up"** at **7.30pm** on Sunday evenings? Contact Tony for the link.

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Come to the next VILLAGE BOOK SWAP AND COFFEE

Thursday 2nd September 2021 10.30am to 12 noon Westcote Methodist Chapel

SUNDAY PRAYER FOCUS – 5th September

If you can, please stay after coffee for a few minutes prayer for our families, friends, church family and our neighbours.

THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP

We will resume on 16 September and enjoy a mixed programme of speakers and videos, with at least one charity event. We meet at 2.30pm for around an hour, then enjoy tea and coffee with biscuits or cake. Details will follow shortly

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6 v 9



Monthly Prayer Breakfast No Prayer Breakfast this month

If you have any prayer requests, please let one of the stewards know.

HARVEST TIME

This time of year, when I watch farmers combining, it brings back memories of many years ago when I worked (for 10 years) on the family farm. The machinery now is light years away from ours, the combines have a massive cut and eat up a field in no time. However, they are still dependent on some good spells of dry weather. This year has been very hit and miss, there is a good forecast now for at least 10 days so I am hoping all will soon be "safely gathered in"!

It is a good time to think of others less fortunate than ourselves. That is why we hope to hold the harvest lunch again. The money raised will go to our Tearfund and World Vision Sponsorship Schemes. We will be delighted if you can join us on the day. Because of the continued need to be careful and aware of the current Covid situation we will not take as many as usual and will serve at the tables to cut down any need to mill around. If you are not able to come but would like to make a donation, please make a cheque out to Westcote Methodist Church and send it to Helen Blight, our treasurer and newsletter editor. It would also be good if those of us who attend chapel could bring some items for the foodbank. I will ask Myra to let us know what is needed.

Harvest is also a good time for us to reflect on what kind of yield we are giving to the Lord for his investment in us. Jesus suffered and "for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning it's shame." I believe his joy is in transformed and useful lives, dedicated to the service of others. There are plenty of opportunities for all kinds of service. The harvest field is great, but the labourers are few. I hope and pray that we will all rededicate ourselves this harvest season to respond to whatever the Lord's call is on our lives.

> Every blessing Tony