



Petersfield Area Churches Together

11 Churches - many shades of worship - but only 1 God

June 2012 Newsletter

Hello, I hope you enjoy this month's celebrations. God bless, Susanne Irving

Queen's Jubilee on 4th June - Programme highlights

Time	Event
9:00 -10.30	Cars arrive in The Square and High Street
11:00 - 2:00	Music in the Square: The Ampshire Halves, Petersfield Community Choir, The Stan Bennett Quintet. Stalls around Square selling refreshments
11:15 -12.15	Formal ceremony in The Square: including possibly ringing St Peter's Church bells at noon and burying of capsule
2:00	Those in costume gather in The Square and then walk behind traction engines to The Heath, via High Street, crossing Dragon Street and then along Heath Road. PACT hope you will join us as part of the march - we will be dressed in 1950s costumes and be walking behind our banner.
2:30	Cars and motor bikes leave The Square for a tour around Petersfield, via High Street, College Street, Station Road, Charles Street, Lavant Street, Chapel Street, Swan Street, The Spain, Hylton Road, Sussex Road, Heath Road East, Heath Road, with some going onto The Heath.
2:25	Walkers arrive on The Heath. The Heath will be set up as a Garden Fete, plus stage. There will be a PACT stall on the Heath. During afternoon: music by Liss Band, 3:00 pm best costume competition, 3:30 pm tug of war, 4:15 pm raft race (children's races?)
4:00	Picnics on The Heath
5:30 - 6.45	Youth Bands on Heath
7:00 -11:15	Music for dancing by the Southern Dance Orchestra and Danny Raven and the Renegades.
9:45	Lanterns gather at Sussex Road Car Park
10:00	Lantern Festival at the Heath Pond and floating of lighted boats
10:30	Blazing tribute to The Queen

“Engage” Pentecost Celebration

Thursday, 7th June, 7.30pm for 8pm start (Festival Hall): Featuring Jonathan Thompson and band. Refreshments from 7.30pm.

In Ministry to Children “Funday”

Saturday, 9th June, 9am-12:30pm (Rams Walk): Bookstall, tombola, knitting, cakes and the popular penny trail. Please bring your pennies for the trail. All donations to the stalls would be very welcome.

Petersfield Methodist Church – 109th Anniversary Celebration Weekend

Saturday, 23rd June and Sunday, 24th June: Rev Joanne Cox, the leader of Evangelism in the Methodist Church will be leading the anniversary service on Sunday, 24th at 10:30am.

The celebrations will include a replica Gospel Car, which is very closely based on the Wesleyan Methodist Gospel Car No 11 “Ebenezer”, which toured the towns and villages with an evangelist spreading the gospel in the Oxford district between 1904-1908. The gospel car will be parked in the Church Station Road car park and can be viewed from 11 am – 4pm on Saturday and between 2-4pm on Sunday. (Those who attend the anniversary service, can view the car from 11:45 am.) On both days there will be an exhibition relating to Gospel Cars in the church hall. Light refreshments will be available on Saturday and during Sunday afternoon for visitors. This is a great opportunity to learn more about evangelism a hundred years ago.

Cafe Church : Is the internet corrupting us?

Sunday, 10th June from 5:15-7:00pm (Costa Coffe, Ramswalk): We’ll be discussing cyber-security, particularly focusing on young people]. Future topics: 8 July. Consumerism – Should we try to live more simply? [how does materialism match with stewardship and environmentalism?]; 12 August. Summer music – A chilled evening of live music and conversation

Rotherlands Nature Reserve – work party

Saturday, 17th June 2012, from 9.30am-12.30pm (meet at car park outside Petersfield Rugby Club, Penns Place at 9:30am: Help is appreciated in laying footpaths. This task had been postponed in May due to the heavy rains.) For more info, check www.rotherlands.co.uk

Holiday Club 30th July – 3rd August

Please sign up on PACT website to receive regular updates. Even if you aren't able to help maybe you can offer support to someone with the planning, or you may know of someone who would/could be interested in helping out. Contact Emma or myself on 01730 231400 or email helenmason1@ntlworld.com

Christmas Lunch – urgent request

For the much appreciated PACT Christmas lunch to take place this year we need to source key leaders. We are looking for:- Overall co-ordinator ; Kitchen co-ordinator (most food is cooked by volunteers.) Information on what these roles entail is available! If interested, please contact the PACT representative or PACT Social Concerns representative for your church

Praying for the presence of God to fill our communities

We want to cover the whole of the British Isles in prayer using the Olympic torch ‘route’ as a catalyst in the season 19th May-27th July 2012. It is all about every individual, church or group of churches, taking time to pray about the light of Christ to be seen more brightly and God’s blessings on and for our communities either before, or on the day of, or after the Olympic Torch has passed through each area. For full details and resources, including info about the praise bus that will be journeying ahead of this prayer cascade look under ‘Shine as the Flame travels’ for the pdf www.morethangold.org.uk/prayer

Spiritual food for thought:

*"In an article in the New Scientist magazine for 7 April (no 2859), the heading is '**Primordial Sound Shaped Cosmos**' and the article begins: "Sound waves that rang out in the early universe sculpted its structure "You don't say! Maybe that's because God said "Let there be!"(He that has ears to hear - let him hear)" (Patsy Robinson, Methodist Church)*

Any items for inclusion in the **JULY PACT** Newsletter to reach me by **Friday, 29th June**

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