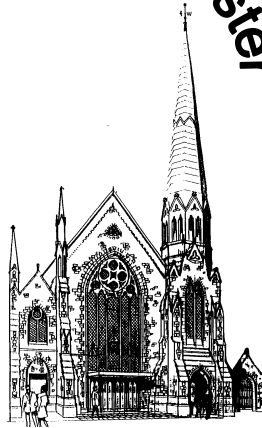


NEWS

United Church Dorchester



JANUARY 2023

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Methodist and United Reformed
Part of Churches Together in Dorchester

Minister (Rev John Yarrien): 01305 262421
John's rest day is usually Friday. Please contact one of the Church Stewards if necessary.

Church Secretary: [Mary Martin](#)
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Sunday Services

1st January	New Year's Day
10.30 am	Mr Chris Warren
8th January	Sunday after Epiphany
10.30 am	Mr R Lownsbrough
4.00 pm	Tea-Pot
15th January	
10.30 am	Rev John Yarrien Covenant Service Holy Communion
22nd January	
10.30 am	Rev David Cuckson
6.30 pm	Rev John Yarrien
29th January	
10.30 am	Rev John Yarrien

Church Family News

We are sad to announce the death of Alf Halfpenny, who had been an active member of the choir since he moved to Dorchester a few years ago. David Hulmes also died in December. For many years David was a member of UCD and also of WeyBay with his wife Margaret, before they moved to Winchester to be nearer their family. Please remember their families and friends in your prayers.

Afternoon Tea and Favourite Hymns

The next Tea-Pot is on Sunday, 8th January, in the Hall at 3.30pm for 4pm, until 5.30pm.

Weekly notices to your inbox via e-mail

You don't need to wait to pick up the printed notices on a Sunday (and also save paper and ink). The notices can be sent to you via e-mail from the office by Saturday. All you need to do is let the office know that you would like to receive the notices by e-mail and you will be added to the list. Contact office@unitedchurchdorchester.org.uk

ARRANGEMENTS FOR WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY, JANUARY 2023

Theme: Belonging. Prayer for Unity Amidst Injustice

Date	Venue	Time
Sunday, 15 January	St Peter's	4 pm
Monday, 16 January	Dorset Family Church*	8 am
<i>*note venue: 2 Redcow Business Park, Longbridge Way</i>		
Tuesday, 17 January	St Mary's	9 am
Wednesday, 18 January	St George's	9.30 am
Thursday, 19 January	St Peter's (followed by light lunch)	12.00 noon
Friday, 20 January	Holy Trinity	12.00 noon
Saturday, 21 January	Storehouse (Prayer Breakfast)	9.00 am
Sunday, 22 January	United Church (Joint Service)	6.30 pm

<p style="text-align: center;">Market Day Services Wednesdays at 10.45</p> <p>4th January Mr Tony Boyden 11th January Rev John Yarrien 18th January Rev Jane Wilson 25th January Mr Peter Jenner</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer Chain</p> <p>If you would like prayer for yourself or others at any time, please contact Penny Fennell. Details can be given anonymously, and confidentiality within the prayer chain is absolute unless there is a safeguarding risk.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Applications sought for Pastoral Support Assistant at United Church Dorchester 10 hours per week</p> <p>Main responsibilities: working with the minister and pastoral committee to provide pastoral support, especially to those in care homes, hospital or with more complex needs. Must be a current and active member of a Christian church or community. The UCD website will have full details soon.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">PowerPoint Displays</p> <p>We have a small band of people who regularly prepare and project the PowerPoint displays during our morning services. It would be really helpful if we had one or two more members. If you have some basic computer skills, or if you would like to learn a new skill, you would find it easy to learn and the current team are always there to help if there are technical problems. You would prepare and present PP for about one service per month and a swapping system amongst the members allows us to cope if the rota date is not convenient. Presentations take about 2 hours to prepare. Our presentations are much appreciated by many members of the congregation and by the ministers, so please consider carefully whether you might be able to help. Please contact John Hilton if you want more details or want to volunteer.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Address Book</p> <p>In January we are starting the preparation of a new address book. From mid-January there will be a draft 2023 address book in the church foyer on Sundays for you to check your details. Please sign beside your details if they are correct, but let us know if any changes are needed. Also please let us know if you no longer wish to be included, or if your name is not there and you wish now to be included. The address book will only be available to members and adherents who are on the church database, and we hope to have it completed and printed by the end of February.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Recycling Bin</p> <p>The recycling bin located under the Charles Street stairs is now a white metal box. We have been advised that it needs to be in a closed metal box for fire safety.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Hall Floor</p> <p>The hall floor will be refurbished during the week beginning 9 January and will be out of commission for a week.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Rev Daphne Hull</p> <p>Several church members will remember Daphne, who has just celebrated the 60th anniversary of her ordination. She was unusually young when she was ordained - she jokingly says about 3 or 4. Daphne was the URC minister at UCD during some of the time Rev Barry Snook was the superintendent minister and she still conducts services in West Yorkshire where she is living. We send our congratulations and best wishes on this very special occasion.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Notices for news sheet</p> <p>The deadline for the February news sheet is Sunday 22nd January. Please send notices for inclusion to Myra Dawson.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Church Website</p> <p>Don't forget to check out the church website, which is managed by Kevin and Susy Rogers. As well as a downloadable version of the news sheet, it also gives information on a number of different things concerning the church and how it runs. The website belongs to the church as a whole so you are encouraged to contribute. Where possible, go, discover and explore!</p>	