



Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

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Maundy Thursday 2nd April

(No Midweek Service today)

6.30 pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion with light meal – Rev Rachael Hawkins

Good Friday 3rd April

10.30 am Good Friday Service – Rev Rachael Hawkins (*this Service will be on Zoom – use the Midweek link*)

Easter Sunday 5th April

9.15 am Breakfast and Craft Activities in the Dovetail Centre

10.30 am Easter All Age Sunday Worship with Holy Communion – Rev Rachael Hawkins
(*There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for children in the Church*)

As we have done on previous Easter Sundays, there will be a cross on the oak tree in front of the Church.
It would be lovely to cover it with fresh flowers.

Please bring them on the day or leave them in the bucket that will be by the front door on the Saturday.

Flowers in Church today are given by **Barbara Hillier** in loving memory of her parents,
and by **Nigel** in loving memory of **Connie and Frank Harding**

Thursday 9th April

Cake Day in the Dovetail Café

10.30 am Midweek Service – Dr Mike Wood

Notices

The April edition of *The Link* is now available here: <https://www.cfmethodist.church/currentlink.php>

The **Dovetail Café is closed** on Good Friday and Bank Holiday Monday.

Sunday Morning Worship will start at **10.30 am from Easter Day 5th April onwards**. Coffee & tea will just be served after the Service each week. On Easter Day, the Service will be preceded by **breakfast for all** and craft activities **from 9.15 am**.

A number of the people who help in our Dovetail kitchen are updating their skills by taking an online **Food and Hygiene Course**. If you would like to do this, please speak to Joyce Powell. The certificate you will receive on completing the course lasts for 3 years so well worth a few hours learning.

Caring for the Planet – Saturday 18th April from 10 am – 4 pm at our Church. This Circuit event will soon be upon us. We are still looking for volunteers to help on the day (2-hour slots throughout the day), photos and poems on the theme of 'Caring for the Planet' which we can display and most of all, people to come on the day itself. Joyce Powell could still do with **more offers of cakes** for the day. About a dozen small cakes or one that could be sliced. Whatever you choose, we will no doubt have a good variety.

It is looking as if it will be an exciting day with films showing in the science dome, respected speakers doing seminars with a Q&A at the end of the day, children's activities, and a variety of stallholders in the marketplace. If you are able to help or to send photos/poems, please contact Rev Kate on caringforourplanetapril26@gmail.com.

Easter Offering – details about the Dedication Services of the offering are in *The Link*, but if you would like to give to the World Mission Fund individually there will be envelopes available on Easter Day.

There is no Women's Fellowship meeting on 14th April. The first meeting of the new season is on **Tuesday 21st April**.

The Thanksgiving Service for the life of **Jenni Elleray** is at 1.15 pm on Tuesday 7th April in the Church.

FLEDGE Easter Egg Donations: thank you to everyone who donated an Easter Egg for the local charity FLEDGE. Many young people will now know we care and they can enjoy a little Easter celebration too. We delivered 42 Easter Eggs to the HQ in Eastleigh – the staff were delighted and grateful for our generosity and concern – Sandy Coates.

The metal cabinet that was used for our **Food Larder** has had to be replaced with a new one. The doors on the previous one would not stay closed – they were held in place by a brick, obviously not satisfactory! A new one has been purchased (£130) and, thanks to Tim Padley, has been assembled and is now in full use. If anyone would like to make a small donation towards that cost, we would be very grateful. We would like to thank everyone for generous gifts of food in the box in the Linkway. We have received some very appreciative comments from some of the users.

Just a small reminder – we have a rota of people who **collect the surplus food** from Tesco in Ashdown Road on Monday to Friday and Waitrose on Saturday and Sunday and additional help would be very much appreciated. If you could support this worthwhile outreach, please speak to Diane Pugh or Gill Bronsdon.

The Service to celebrate the life of **Hilary Collins** is on Thursday 16th April at 12 noon in St Luke's Church, St Luke's Close, Hedge End, Southampton SO30 2US. Refreshments afterwards at The Garden Society, Allington Lane, Southampton SO50 7DE. Dress: please consider wearing an item with a bright colour. Tributes can be left at: <https://hilary-collins.muchloved.com/>.



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There will be one Cake Day this month on **9th April**. Please bring donations of biscuits or cakes on the day.