

# Upminster Methodist Church

8 September 2024



## Sunday 8 September

### 10am - All Age Worship and JMA Sunday -

led by Mrs Christine Scrutton

JMA awards and certificates will be given out during this service and collecting boxes will be returned.

There will be a retiring collection at the end of this service towards the transport of the Link to Hope shoeboxes.

Please note there will be no Contemplative Worship this Sunday

[10am Zoom Link](#)

[7pm Zoom Link](#)

## Sunday 8 September

### Welcome Service for Rev Rachel Read

4pm

Rainham Methodist Church

All are very welcome and encouraged to attend.

## This week let us pray for:

- Rev Rachel Read as she is welcomed into the circuit as our new probationer presbyter Minister
- The work of Methodist overseas mission and the part young people play in collecting with JMA
- Peace in the ongoing conflict in Ukraine and an end to the loss of life.
- Stella, following her recent stay in hospital, may she continue to recover in strength in the comfort of her own home.

## Sunday 15 September

10am - Rev Eleanor Jackson

10am - Junior Church

7pm - Contemplative Worship via zoom

## Contemplative Worship

There is no Contemplative Service this Sunday, as many are going to Rachel Read's Welcome Service at Rainham.

Sylvia and Peter will lead a service on 15th September at 7pm.

There won't not be a contemplative service on 22nd or 29th September due to holidays.

## **Tots and Co - Help needed!**

Tots and Co runs on Tuesday mornings from 9 - 10.30, welcoming about 30 children with their carers each week. For various reasons, we are short of helpers at the current time. There are several roles, including:

- setting up, from soon after 8 a.m
- welcoming, chatting to, helping with crafts and playing alongside our visitors (9 - 10.30)
- making , serving and clearing away tea and toast
- clearing away - mainly done during the refreshments and singing session.

We have usually left by 10.50. Helpers come for some or all of these times according to the role and what suits them, and are on a rota - so not every week.

If you are interested in helping or would like to know more, please contact our leader, Michelle de Vido (07771 881655) or speak to Judith Reed

## **Thank you for your loose change!**

Thank you to all who have contributed their small change into the fish collecting box in the church welcome area.

A total of £57 was recently counted and will be added to the money collected in JMA boxes, making a total of £149.00.



## **Junior Church**

Junior Church will meet next Sunday at 10am in the Church hall.

All children are very welcome, for more information or to sign you child up please email: [umcjuniorchurch@gmail.com](mailto:umcjuniorchurch@gmail.com)

Future dates for this term are:

6th October  
17 November  
15 December

## **Strawberry Afternoon Tea - thank you!**

Thank you to the few who attended the afternoon tea last Saturday. Including donations also made the sum of £106 was raised for Action for Children.

Thank you to Christine and her team of helpers.



## Charity Christmas Card Sale and Coffee Morning

Saturday 9 November

10am - 12 noon

We will again be holding a Charity Christmas Card sale in the Church. We hope this will give everyone the opportunity to buy cards etc. in good time for Christmas. Tea and coffee will also be served.

If you are involved in a charity and would like to sell your own cards and promote your charity at this event, please contact us by email [upminstertreefest@gmail.com](mailto:upminstertreefest@gmail.com) or phone 01708 228317.

## Christmas Tree Festival 2024

**Saturday 30 November - Sunday 8 December**

**Christmas Market - Saturday 30 November**

As always it can only happen with a large team of volunteers.

If you would like to be part of the organising committee or be a volunteer please speak to Caroline or Judith H as soon as possible, we need help and we need a theme! As always the bigger the team the less there is for each individual to do!

**We also need to train some younger members up if this festival is to continue year on year, this is the last year Judith and Caroline are willing to head up the organisation!**

Contact details and Further Information

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Website: [upminstermethodistchurch.org](http://upminstermethodistchurch.org)

To submit event details or news for the weekly newsletter, please send the information to [upminster.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:upminster.newsletter@gmail.com) by Friday morning. Thank you.

## Contactless Card Machine

We now have a card machine set up at the back of the Church. This allows you to donate to Church funds without having to use cash.

All you need to do is select your amount, tap your card and you can Gift Aid your donation too!

The URL for the Dona website to make gifts to UMC is:

<https://donate.mydona.com/upminster-methodist-church>

The QR code to do the same is:



## **Circuit Events**

All are welcome to attend these events

10th September - 10th for 10 Prayer Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

12th September - Circuit Meeting at Hornchurch at 7.30pm

14th September - Quizzical at Havering Road at 7pm

28th September - Harvest/Environment Prayer Day at Havering Road

10th October - 10th for 10 Prayer Meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom

12th October - COMEFLY at Harold Wood 9.30am to 1pm

26th October - Chorus and Cake At Trinity at 3pm.

### **The Wesley Players Present:**

### **Chase Me Up Farndale Avenue, S'il Vous Plait !**

**By David McGillivray and Walter Zerlin Jr.**

The French farce has arrived at Farndale Avenue! Bubbling and sparkling like a glass of champagne! These formidable women and their stage manager Gordon, fizz their way with panache and momentum between an unintelligible plot, a plethora of doors, and a large array of characters.

Described as: "A hilarious success..." and "Exquisitely excruciating!"  
...but saying anything else would spoil the surprise!

### **Performances:**

8pm on Thursday 26th, Friday 27th and Saturday 28th September

### **Prices:**

Online: £9 Adults (16+), £7 Conc and £5 Children

On door: £10 Adults (16+), £8 Conc and £6 Children

Senior Citizens FREE on Thursday and Friday shows.

### **Location:**

Upminster Methodist Church, 10 Hall Lane, Upminster, RM14 1AE

Book In Advance at [www.wesley-players.com](http://www.wesley-players.com)

Or card/cash on the door

Need to speak to the Box Office? Text 07708 214742