

Upminster Methodist Church

29 September 2024

Sunday 29 September

10am - Mr Ricky Bull

[10am Zoom
Link](#)

Sunday 6 October

10am - Rev Roy Jackson

10am - Junior Church

7pm - Contemplative Worship



Junior Church

Sunday 6 October 10am

Preparation for our Harvest Festival



Please sign up your child/children as attending at umcjuniorchurch@gmail.com

This week let us pray for:

- those affected by the floods in this country, Europe and Hurricane Helene in the USA.
- success in the efforts to defuse tension between Israel and Lebanon.
- all those settling into University for the first time and their families.



**You are invited to join us for our
Harvest Festival
on
Sunday 13th October
at 10 a.m.
Tony Miller, Director of the Whitechapel Mission,
will lead our service.**

The Whitechapel Mission works with people sleeping on the streets of London. Our donations of food will go towards this work, with fresh produce being sent to St Francis Hospice.

**Imagine serving 350 breakfasts every day – but then it might even be 600 today!
That's an awful lot of food!**

The Whitechapel Mission needs our help to provide breakfasts for people living on London's streets (alongside their other work – providing showers, clothing, advice, skills training, etc) – this is where our harvest tins and packages will go.

Items most desperately needed at the moment include:

Tinned Fruit; Porridge; Cornflakes; Weetabix; Any cereals; Coffee; Instant Hot Chocolate; Bottled Water; Plum Tomatoes; Chopped Tomatoes; Baked Beans; Ketchup; Brown Sauce; Sugar; Honey; Chocolate Spread; Nutella; Peanut Butter; Salt; Black Ground Pepper.

See their website for more details and other items needed.

<https://whitechapel.org.uk>



**Whitechapel
Mission**





Christmas Tree Festival



Help Needed Please and Dates for your Diary

Our thanks to those who joined the meeting on Wednesday, we made a start on allocating the many jobs involved in holding the Christmas Tree Festival, and planning the preparations that need to be started now.

Our theme this year will be '**The Great Outdoors**' and our charity will be **St Francis Hospice**

Dates for your diary when help will be needed please:

Saturday 9 November - help setting up and attending the Charity Christmas Card Sale and Coffee Morning. If you would like to sell Christmas cards on behalf of a charity please let us know.

From 10 November - Delivering posters to the local shops, Library etc

Sunday 24 November - after morning worship, prepping Church for the festival, getting boards, stands etc from the basement, putting up decorations in the Church and halls and corridor

Wednesday 27 November - A couple of people to be at the church to take delivery of the trees, time to be arranged

Wednesday 27 November from 6pm - Preparing trees and moving them into the Church, putting up the large tree in the front garden - this needs lots of strong people!

Thursday 28 November - a couple of people to welcome decorators into the Church, there will be a morning and late afternoon time - still to be arranged.

Friday 29 November - a couple of people to welcome decorators into the Church, there will be a morning and late afternoon time - still to be arranged.

Friday 29 November - evening (time to be arranged) setting up halls for the Christmas Market

Saturday 30 November - from 8.30am - ensuring the Church is ready to open for the festival, helping stall holders set up for the market, helping at the Market on the raffle, chocolate tombola or with refreshments. The market will be open from 10am - 3pm so please let us know what time you are able to help. If you would like to run a stall at the Market please let us know asap.

Saturday 30 November - Sunday 8 December - stewarding, key holders to open up and close etc during opening hours of the festival and when choirs come to sing.

If you are able to help on any of these dates please contact us by email, our email address is monitored by several people who are co-ordinating different aspects of the festival.

email upminstertreefest@gmail.com

Thank you!

Contact details and Further Information

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Website: upminstermethodistchurch.org

To submit event details or news for the weekly newsletter,
please send the information to
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:



Raising funds for
St Laurence Church
Building Improvements



Autumn Fayre

Saturday 12 October
10.00 am - 3.00 pm

St Laurence Church Main Hall,
Corbets Tey Rd, Upminster
RM14 2BB

With

**Handmade crafts,
cakes, cards, small
local businesses,
fun and games**

For more info: 01708 220696
stlaurencefundraising@gmail.com