



Velmore Church Bulletin June 2024

Greetings to you all from the leaders! On the first Sunday morning in June we come to the end of chapter 7 in John's Gospel, and take a short break to go to the book of Ruth, that wonderful Old Testament story of loyalty and love. On 16th June, we have a new speaker, Harish Patel, who is from London City Mission. Harish is very experienced in reaching people of other faiths for Christ, and will share what the Lord is doing in London with us.

Sundays	SUBJECT	SPEAKER	LEADER
June 2nd Communion	John 7:25-53 Is Jesus the Messiah?	Richard Stannard	Roy
June 9th	Ruth chapter 1	Andrew Watt	Andrew Ross
June 16th Communion	Ruth chapter 2	Harish Patel (LCM)	Andrew Watt
June 23rd	Ruth chapter 3	Jonathan Cox	Di
June 30th	Ruth chapter 4	Graeme Fairbairn	Terry
July 7th Communion	John 8:1-11 Jesus and the woman caught in adultery	Richard Stannard	Les

Wednesdays

9.15am **Prayer meeting** in the Somerset Room, followed by coffee and chat in the cafe!

7.30pm **Bible study and prayer** in the Devon Room.



On Wednesday evenings in June we will be continuing to use 'The Romans course', written by Andrew Ollerton of the Bible Society. We have been greatly encouraged by the sessions so far, with good numbers of people attending and taking part. Andrew Ollerton's approach to Romans is fresh and relevant to us in the 21st Century - it's not too late to join in if you would like to attend these sessions.

June 5th	Hope
June 12th	Mystery
June 19th	Devotion
June 26th	Community

Please download your own copy of the study guide from

https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/content/resources/The_Romans_Course_Official/PDF_guides/small_group_materials/participants_full.pdf

or speak to Jonathan if you would like a paper copy of the study guide.

Our Mission for June is London City Mission

As mentioned above, we welcome Harish Patel, a new speaker to us, to Velmore on 16th June: we look forward to hearing what the Lord is doing in our capital city. These visits from LCM missionaries are also always challenging and inspirational for us, as we try to reach people for Christ in our own neighbourhood. Here is a link to the [LCM website](#), where you will find much more information, and many inspiring stories of people finding Christ. Andrew W is our resident LCM ambassador - please talk to him and be enthused!

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Date	Opening/Closing Setup/Tidy up	Welcoming	AV Desk	Refreshments	Flowers
June 2 nd Communion	Andrew	Ray	Andrew	Jonathan & Sylvia	Di
June 9 th	Jonathan	Dave & Terry	Bob	Les & Julie	Chris W
June 16 th Communion	Andrew	Ray and Sylvia	Gareth	Andrew & Kate	Maureen
June 23 rd	Gareth	Richard & Sylvia	Gareth	Anne & Ray	Anne
June 30 th	Andrew	Roy & Di	Andrew	Chris & Andrew	Sue S

Velmore Church activities for your prayers

Toddler & Baby group meets each Tuesday in term time from 10am to 12pm

Fernhill services will be held on Sunday 2nd and Sunday 16th June at 4pm.

Surrey Court service will be held on Friday 14th June at 6.30pm.

KIDS CLUB will take place from 3.30pm - 5.00pm on Sunday 30th June

Please keep praying for all these works and all those who give their time to enable them to happen, as we seek to reach those who are currently outside the church for Jesus.

General election - CTCF Hustings

Since the general election has been announced for 4th July, CTCF are organising a meeting at Chandlers Ford Methodist church on Sunday evening 23rd June (time to be confirmed) when members of the churches and the community will have an opportunity to question local candidates about their manifesto and policies. All five of the declared candidates at the time of writing have confirmed their attendance at this meeting. As a Church at Velmore we do not endorse any particular political party: our message is that we should pray for our country as we choose our new government, and that at all times we should pray for our country's leaders.

Saturday 15th June - three events!

Velmore Church Leaders meeting 8am

Please pray for Andrew, Jonathan and Richard as we meet together for a few hours to pray and plan the next few months at Velmore. As well as the Sunday and Wednesday programmes, we will also spend time in prayer regarding the appointment of a pastor

Hope Now Friends and Supporter Day 10am - 3pm

This is a day when you are invited to join in giving thanks to God for the ministry of Hope Now over many years. It will especially be an opportunity to say thank you to Jon Budgett, who will be retiring as CEO of Hope Now, and to Brenda Greenwood, who will be semi-retiring from her admin post. It will also be an opportunity to meet Jon Barnes, the new CEO, who is already deeply involved in the work of Hope Now as a trustee and volunteer. Shaun Sweeney will be leading the day. The event will take place at the Hope Now offices, Malvern Centre, Malvern Road, Southampton. SO16 6PY If you are interested in attending, please speak to Richard, who will give you further details.

Pamoja Trustees meeting and AGM (7pm, Fair Oak Gospel Hall)

Please pray for Pamoja UK Trustees as they meet in the afternoon of 15th June. Everyone is welcome to join us for the AGM, when there will be reports on Sue & Richard's trip to Kenya last November, Tim & Sheena's trip in February, and a report on what is currently happening in the various Pamoja works in Kenya. The evening will conclude with refreshments.



VELMORE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Summer

AFTERNOON TEA & QUIZ

£6 PER PERSON

29TH JUNE
2024
2 - 4 PM

AFTERNOON TEA FOLLOWED BY SUMMER 'FUN' QUIZ
RAFFLE * KNIT & NATTER * TERRI'S CARDS
TEA OR COFFEE
FINGER SANDWICHES, SCONES & CAKE
QUIZ TEAMS OF 6-8 PER TABLE
INCLUDES 1 FREE RAFFLE TICKET FOR THE
SUMMER RAFFLE DRAW!

TO BOOK YOUR SPACE, PLEASE ADD YOUR
NAME TO THE LIST. PAYMENT REQUIRED AT THE
TIME OF BOOKING.

ANY QUERIES, PLEASE SPEAK TO SUE OR LAURA

We are pleased to advertise this summer afternoon tea and quiz, which is being organised by our friends at the Community Centre. This is a great opportunity for us to show support to the Community Centre, and to meet new and old friends from the Community.

Another event on 29th June is:



Open Day

This annual event will take place on Saturday 29th June – an afternoon of fun, fellowship, stalls, games, Celebration and Hog Roast. This is always an encouraging afternoon of testimony to God's power in saving people from addictions. Please ask Andrew for more details of the afternoon

Advance notice - a date for your diaries - Wednesday 14th August

Velmore Church Afternoon of Fun

On the 14th August from 2pm until 4.30 and followed by tea we are planning to hold a series of activities to share with our friends from the community. We hope to include: a challenge, craft, games, quiz and some form of entertainment. We are in the early stages of planning and would welcome ideas and offers to lead and help with the activities. At a later stage we will hold a planning meeting for all who are interested. Please speak to one of the leaders if you are able to assist in any way.