



Flower Rota

July	Donor	Arranger
7	Mabel Manley	Rita
14	Evlyn Ashton	Pat / Rita
21	Wendy Haywood	Val
28		
Aug		
4	Ernie Over	Val
11	Audrey & Barrie	Audrey
18	Eileen Swain	Pat
25		

If you'd like to provide the flowers where there's a gap,
please fill in the rota or contact Pat Morris

Everybody, Somebody and Nobody

There was an important job to be done, and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Anybody could do it. But Nobody realised that Everybody wouldn't do it. It ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

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*Alderman's Green
Free Methodist Church*

July - August 2019

Summer Craft Fayre

Saturday 6 July
10-2pm
Stalls! Cakes!
Refreshments!

Prayer Meeting

Wednesdays 3, 17 & 31 July

Wednesdays 14 & 28 August

7:30 - 8:30pm in the Choir Vestry

Home Group

No meetings during July and August

Meet again on Wednesday 4 September

Worship Group Practice

No meetings during July and August

Meet again on Thursday 5 September

Women's Bible Study

Fridays 5 & 19 July

No meetings in August

Meet again Friday 13 September

Craft Club

Every Friday

10am - 12 noon in the Jubilee Hall

Dates for your diary

Bring and Share Lunch

after Morning Service on
Sunday 14 July at 12:30



Planning Meeting

Tuesday 16 July at 7:30pm
at Jenny and Jamie's

Sunday 4 August

11 am Rev Kirsteen Macaulay

6 pm Johnny Pang

Sunday 18 August

11 am Rev Peter Norton

6pm Rev Peter Norton

All other services

Rev David Bracken

Communion

Sunday 7 July at 6pm

Sunday 21 July at 11am

Sunday 4 August at 6pm

Sunday 18 August at 11am



Thursday 4 July 3:30 - 5:45pm

Are We There Yet?

Thursday 1 August 3:30 - 5:45pm

Picnic in the Park!

A Message from our Minister

If I was to ask you what your hobbies or self-interests were, I am sure you would have a long list of things that you like to do and if not, then at least one or two. Each of us has a special interest in something that we enjoy or derive enjoyment from. However, in order to do any of these special interests there is one factor that they would all have in common and that is time.

Many of us have pressures from duties and roles that we must do in life that impede on our time and very often hinder us from doing the things we would like to do. That may be a demanding job, a busy social life, caring for loved one who is sick or juggling studies and work at the same time. Whatever it may be, there is a constant demand on our time.

Yet, no matter how busy you we are, we often make time to do the things we love. We devote precious time to pursue the hobbies and self-interests that we enjoy doing. There is nothing inherently wrong with having a hobby or pursuing an interest. Nevertheless, in all these pursuits and time pressures we often neglect the most important of all and that is God.

Often you hear the complaint when speaking about God and our waning devotion to Him, "He understands", "I have my own thing with God", "I can't sit still to read or pray", or the classic, "I don't have the time". If we're truthful and honest with ourselves, we'll see that these are excuses. Furthermore, if we stop to think about it, we will find that much of what we concern ourselves with is of no eternal value. (cont.overleaf)

Many of us give our time to the temporal things, to things that don't last with little regard to that which is eternal, everlasting and which fades not away. Our investment of time should not be in this life or in our own self-interest but in God and eternity. Far better to invest in that which fades not away than to labour and spend your strength on things that are passing away.

We would do well to take instruction from the old hymn that touches upon this topic: "Take time to be holy, speak oft with Thy Lord; abide in Him always, and feed on His Word".

It goes on to say in the second verse:

"Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
Spend much time in secret, with Jesus alone.
By looking to Jesus, like Him thou shalt be;
Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see".

Matthew 6:25-34, Colossians 3:1-4.

Rev David Bracken