#### **!! GOOD NEWS & THANK YOUS !!**

**December Coffee Stop** raised £130 for Macmillan Nurses. Thanks to all who supported this,.

**Collections over the Christmas period** raised £151.07 for Action for Children and £217.30 for MHA (Methodist Homes). Many thanks to you all for your generosity and support for these organisations.

We enjoyed a very exciting Messy Church last Sunday with 11 adults and 10 children including 2 new families and another new child who came with one of our regular families. There was a buzz around the hall and the activities seemed really well received, as was the food. We are looking forward to next month's Messy event. With grateful thanks for all who support Messy Church. (Carol Ofield)

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#### **How Does Your Garden Grow quiz results**

Two St Paul's prize winners with one incorrect answer:

Ruth, David, Chris, Becca and Jonny

The Bower family

Four St Paul's runners-up with two incorrect answers:

Joyce Jordan, Kevin Bray, George Holmes and Pat, Duncan Gosling One prize winner with all correct answers:

Sally and David Climpson (Haywards Heath)

One runner-up with two incorrect answerrs:

John Batchelder (Burgess Hill)

After payment of prizes St Paul's Redevelopment Fund and St Catherine's Hospice each receive £33.75 including special donations. Many thanks to all who took part (Geoff Ridgway)

**Thank you Geoff** for organising this every year – it's always good fun *(Editor)* 

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Welcome to St Paul's

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020 10:30am Mrs Jill Brooks

Theme: Waiting, not worrying Readings: Psalm 27: 1 – 5, 13 – 14

Matthew 6: 25 - 34

**First time at St Paul's?** Please join us for refreshments and a friendly chat after the service. We can tell you about our church and its activities and we'll try to answer any questions you may have.

**Bibles and large print hymn books** are available from the door stewards

Flowers today donated by Barbara Fleming in memory of Alan

Sunday January 26<sup>th</sup> 10:30am Rev Melvyn Cooke

## Our mission at St Paul's is to:

Unite in Faith
Worship in Faith
Grow in Faith
Share the Good News
Make disciples
Serve in love

#### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

#### Loaves and Fishes Café

Monday - Wednesday 10:30 - 1:30 Thursday 10:30 - 12:30

**Tue 21 Jan 7:30pm NEW!!** *Hot Potatoes* discussion and bible study with Rev Ralph, open to all, in the Sanctuary. Please bring a bible.

Wed 22 Jan 9:30am-12 Everywoman's Badminton

**2pm** Women's Fellowship with Gordon Hamilton on

Sierra Leone

Fri 24 Jan 4:30pm Performing Arts activities

**7pm** Young People's Singing Group

**7:45pm** Choir practice

## **LOOKING AHEAD**

**Mon 27 Jan 7:30pm** Furnace Green House Fellowship *All About Glass* at George and Pat's house

Wed 29 Jan 2pm Women's Fellowship Working at Gatwick

Mon 3 Feb 2pm South Crawley House Fellowship *Bible study on 2* 

Peter; chapters 2&3 at Arthur Parish's home

## St Paul's Songs of Praise Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 10:30am

If you would like a favourite hymn or bible reading included please tell me, or drop a note in the red suggestions box in the Welcome Hall, by the 31<sup>st</sup> January. *(Carol Ofield)* 

# Time for Prayer

**As you may know** Jill Mason became ill over Christmas and as a result has had to relinquish her many tasks at St Paul's. While Jill is now feeling a bit better she will be taking things easy for some time. Several people have offered to cover most of Jill's tasks, for which we are thankful, BUT this still leaves a big hole in the children's and young people's Sunday morning groups. Please consider prayerfully whether you could help. To comply with safeguarding rules there must be two adults with each group so we are looking for people willing to be in the groups alongside the leaders. PLEASE talk to Martyn Ofield if you can offer occasional or regular help. We have a lovely group of youngsters of all ages who need to be in their own groups on Sundays learning how to be young Christians. We can only provide that with your help.

**Please pray** for all activities at St Paul's that lead our young people to know Jesus. Pray for all their teachers and leaders and ask God to inspire others to volunteer to join their ranks.

**Please pray for** Jill Mason, Janet Ockwell, Priya Shan, Lorraine Valler, Wendy and Joyce Walling, Daniel Okun, Jean and Geoff Rose, Jean Franklin, Maureen Olashore, Marcy, and others with needs known to ourselves.

Methodist Church Guidelines state that permssion must be received from a person before their name is put on the Church prayer list. Please ensure that you have such permission.