

# Providence News Letter

Sunday 10th January

## Services

10:20

Worship Group

J Club

10:30

Mrs Beatrice Cloke

6 PM

Revd Robert Covenant

Stewards am

Stewards pm

Door am

Alan

Door pm

Geoff

Coffee

Doreen

Flowers

Elsie Cartwright

Offertory Last Week am  
pm

£203.20  
£148.50

Holy God, I surrender my heart to your will.  
Precious Jesus, now more than ever in my life, I recognize you as my Lord and want to serve you with my life. Please forgive me for the times that I have resisted your leading or turned away from your demands. I know you left everything, and gave up everything, to save me. So now, please mould me into the person you want me to be and use me in ways that bless others and bring you glory. Amen.

## What's happening this Week

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday 10 -11:30  
7:30

CFC  
What Next

Thursday

Church Council Cancelled

Saturday

Next Sunday

10:20

J Club

10:30

Mrs Edith Hawthorne

6 PM

Café Worship

Stewards PM

Door AM

Mark and Wayne

Door PM

Beryl and Norman

Coffee

Pat Southall

Flowers

Chris Walker

Minister Revd Robert Readshaw 01384 423761

Stewards: Hannah Batty 893431  
Sue Batty 893431  
Doreen Price 828933  
Dave Walker 567042  
Frank Hackett  
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(January) Derek Trickett 566051

(February) Mark Raithby 569750

There was a man who had four sons. He wanted his sons to learn not to Judge things too quickly. So he sent them in turn on a quest to go and look at a pear tree that was a great distance away. The first son went in the winter, the second in the spring, the third in summer, and the youngest son in the autumn. When they had all gone and returned, he called them together to describe what they had seen. The first son said that the tree was ugly, bent, and twisted. The second son said it was covered with green buds and full of promise The third son disagreed; he said it was laden with blossoms that smelled so sweet and looked so beautiful, it was the most graceful thing he had ever seen. The last son disagreed with all of them; he said it was ripe and drooping with fruit, full of life and fulfillment. The man then explained to his sons that they were all right, because they had each seen only one season in the tree's life. He told them that you cannot judge a tree, or a person, by only one season. That the essence of who they are, and the pleasure, joy, and love that come from that life, can only be measured at the end, when all the seasons are up. If you give up when it's winter, you will miss the promise of your spring, the beauty of your summer, and the fulfillment of your autumn. Live Simply. Love Generously. Care Deeply. Speak Kindly. And leave the rest to God.

### Dates for your Diary

**At the request of the Minister, the date of the next Church Council meeting has had to be changed from 14 January to 28th January** - can all members please change their diaries, and let Pat Cook know if you need to give your apologies or have anything you want to be raised.

Pat

30<sup>th</sup> January Family Parlour Games Night

**News Letter:- Can you assist Mark & Derek?** Heather and Ian will shortly be moving to Devon, Both will be missed at Providence .Ian will continue to maintain the church web site but has relinquished is role as one of the three News Letter Compilers If you can use a computer and would like to have a go, we will gladly provide a blank format. Have a chat to Mark or Derek. .Two Class Leaders are also required, if you are able to take on this important role please speak to Don.

### Remember in your Prayers

**Please pray for all our friends who are not well:**

**David Southall -- Bessie (In Hospital) -- Dorothy Emery (she had a further spell in hospital over the Christmas period )**

**Pat Hackett ( she has an ongoing severe chest problem)**

**Please pray for those who need our support:**

**Pat -- Frank -- Eric**

**Chris & Dave Walker ( Chris's Dad passed away Wednesday morning )**

**Please pray for those in the wider community** needing our prayers, we may not know them but God does;

**Please pray for those from our fellowship who are in care,**

**David Southall--- Betty Smith---- Elsie Noons---**

**Dorothy Burley** who is a temporary resident in Oriel Nursing Home