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**The Methodist Church**

**Reading and Silchester Circuit**

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# **Compendium *for* Preachers**

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# Bradfield Tutts Clump

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## Church details

Location	Tutts Clump, Bradfield, Reading	RG7 6LB Easting 586 Northing 711
Directions	From M4 junction 12, take A4 in direction of Theale and Pangbourne. At second roundabout, take A340 to Pangbourne. A short distance down this road, take the left turn sign-posted to Bradfield. Continue past Engelfield House on the right and after going up and over the hill, take road on left to Southend. After passing road joining from right, take the next right turn sign-posted to Tutts Clump then take the first left turn. The chapel will be found a little way along this road on the left, after entering the hamlet. Parking available at rear of church.	

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## Sunday Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service	traditional
Number in congregation	10 - 15
Congregation profile	mainly older; 0 to 13 – 1
All-age address	yes
Children leave	after offertory and blessing
Offertory taken	after 2nd hymn

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## Resources

Hymn books	Hymns and Psalms, Mission Praise (Combined)
Service books	Methodist Worship Book 1999
Bible version	New English
Readers available?	yes
Prayer leaders available	no

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## General Information

Seating	pews
Services conducted from	pulpit, lectern
Public address system	T loop system
Toilets	yes
Notices	printed, announced at the start of the service
Congregation prayer list	yes

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# Burghfield Common

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## Church details

Location	Reading Road, Burghfield Common, Reading on main through road	RG7 3QA Easting 652 Northing 666
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## Morning Worship (10.30am)

Type of Service	Open to variety
Number in congregation	30 – 40 but variable
Congregation profile	adults mixed age; under 7s, 2; 7 to 11, 6; over 11, 4
All-age address	yes
Children leave	after 2nd hymn and blessing
Offertory taken	after children leave

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## Resources

Hymn books	Hymns & Psalms, Songs of Fellowship volumes 1 - 4
Service books	Methodist 1975
Bible Version	New International
Readers available	yes
Prayer leaders available	no

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## General Information

Seating	chairs
Services conducted from	lectern
Public address system	fixed microphones with T loop, tape and CD
Overhead projector	yes
Toilets	yes
Pre-service contact	letter or email
Notices	printed weekly
Refreshments	served after morning service
Congregation prayer list	Prayer cards collected with offertory

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## Burnt Hill

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### Church details

Location	Scratchface Lane, Burnt Hill, Bradfield, Reading	RG7 6DN Easting 569 Northing 743
Directions	from Pangbourne, take the Yattendon road, and keep following the signs for Yattendon. After about 4½ miles there is a right turn at a T-junction, about 1½ miles later, take the left turn, signposted Stanford Dingley & Burnt Hill. The church is about a ¼ mile along the road, at junction with road on right.	

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### Sunday Worship (3.00pm, first and third Sunday)

Type of Service	traditional
Number in congregation	10
Congregation profile	mainly older, one or two children
All-age address	no
Offertory taken	to suit preacher

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### Resources

Hymn books	Methodist Hymn Book, Hymns & Psalms
Service books	Methodist 1975
Readers available?	yes (contact Tim Wale)
Prayer leaders available	No

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### General Information

Seating	pews
Services conducted from	pulpit
Public address system	none
Toilets	no
Pre-service contact	please contact Tim Wale (0118 974 4690)
Notices	announced
Refreshments	none
Congregation prayer list	no
Other	Some of Burnt Hill's congregation are members at Bradfield Tutts Clump, Caversham Heights and Tilehurst. Other circuit worship groups welcome to lead worship by arrangement with the minister.

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## Caversham

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### Church details

Location Gosbrook Road, Caversham, Reading RG4 5AE  
Corner of Gosbrook Road & Ardler Road Easting 721 Northing 746

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### Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service family  
1<sup>st</sup> Sun - Communion (children come back into church)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sun - all age worship  
Number in congregation 30 - 50  
Congregation profile mixed family; children 14 and under  
All age address yes  
Children leave after 2nd hymn and blessing  
Offertory taken to suit preacher

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### Evening Worship (6.30 pm)

Type of Service variety welcomed  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sun – Holy Communion  
5<sup>th</sup> Sun – Healing Service  
Number in congregation 10-20  
Congregation profile mainly older  
Offertory taken to suit preacher

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### Resources

Hymn books Hymns & Psalms, Songs of Fellowship,  
Sing Hallelujah (from Easter People)  
Service books Methodist Worship Book 1999  
Readers available? yes  
Prayer leaders available yes, if requested early

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### General Information

Seating moveable chairs  
Services conducted from lectern  
Public address system radio, neck, fixed, turned off for hymns  
Toilets yes  
Pre-service contact letter, followed by 'phone call from duty steward  
Notices printed, announced to suit preacher  
Refreshments served after morning service  
Congregation prayer list yes  
Other OHP available, music on organ or piano depending on musician

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# Caversham Heights

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## Church details

Location	Woodcote Road, Caversham, Reading, Corner of Woodcote Road (A4074) and Highmoor Road, Caversham	RG4 7BG Easting 704 Northing 753
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### Early Morning Communion (9.00 am) – first Sunday of the month

Type of Service	traditional
Number in congregation	20
Congregation profile	mainly older

### Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service	flexible, but see notes on service structure in Appendix 1
Number in congregation	140
Congregation profile	mixed family; children of all ages
All age address	yes
Children leave	after 2nd hymn
Offertory taken	to suit preacher, but after children have left

### Evening Worship (6.30 pm)

Type of Service	traditional
Number in congregation	25
Congregation profile	mainly older
Offertory taken	to suit preacher

### Resources

Hymn books	Hymns & Psalms, Born in Song (own collection, index in Appendix 2). Index of songs with which the young people are familiar is in Appendix 3.
Service books	Methodist Worship Book 1999
Readers available?	yes
Prayer leaders available	yes

### General Information

Seating	mainly pews
Services conducted from	lectern or preaching station on platform
Public address system	Comprehensive – see Appendix 4
Toilets	yes
Pre-service contact	letter
Notices	printed, includes order of service (draft to be available by Wednesday prior to services), announced
Refreshments	served after morning service
Congregation prayer list	yes
Disabled access	Full disabled access including toilet facilities is available

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material continued in Appendices 1-3 . . .

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### Appendix 1 – Service Structure

We use Hymns and Psalms and the church's own hymn supplement, Born in Song (for Index see Appendix 2). These are projected onto a screen at the front of the church by our AV system. If you could indicate the hymn number and the first line, this can be passed on to the organist along with any preference you indicate for tunes. If you would like to use any other hymns or songs please provide details so that these can be loaded on to our system, please see the enclosed information regarding this.

It is our normal practice to record the morning service to take to the housebound during the week. If you would rather the service is not recorded, please let us know when you send your order of service. Although Caversham Heights Methodist Church has a copyright licence, not all special/new hymns are covered by that. Legally it is the preacher's responsibility to have obtained copyright permission. Chris Nicholls (0118 947 7525) has a list of the hymns that are covered by the licence. If you have any doubts, please contact him.

The church also has a sound system which includes facilities for playing cassette tapes or CDs. Clip-on or hand-held microphones are available for use.

If you wish, members of the congregation will read the Bible passages. So that we may find readers, and to enable the AV team to set up the service for you, it would be helpful if we could have your order of service as early in the week as possible. Copies of the New International Version are available to the congregation, and readings are displayed on the screen. If you would like a particular translation to be read, please let us know.

The format we would like to use for the beginning of our service in the hope that we can increase the involvement and number of our young people is, if you are in agreement as follows:-

- Welcome by the Steward
- Opening/Call to worship
- Hymn (shortish)
- Prayer (short) plus the Lord's Prayer in the version shown on the Lectern
- Time with the young people
- Hymn
- Prayer - prior to the departure of the young people.

When the young people are not present at the beginning of the morning service ie at Communion service the format of the service will be at the discretion of whoever is taking the service.

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### Appendix 2 “BORN IN SONG”

#### A collection of hymns and songs chosen by the congregation of CAVERSHAM HEIGHTS METHODIST CHURCH

##### Index to First Lines and Tunes

Note re Sources of Tunes: the following organ music books are kept on the organ console:

Hymns & Psalms (1983)	H&P
Hymns & Songs (1969, supplement to MHB)	H&S
Hymns Old & New	HON
Iona, Vols. 1, 2, 3	Iv1,2,3
Methodist Hymn Book (1933)	MHB
Methodist Sunday School Hymn Book	SSB
Power Praise (revised, 1990)	PP
Songs of Fellowship	SoF

In addition, there are two loose-leaf books for those tunes shown as ‘Copy on Organ’ (the numbers are the same as those in Born in Song) CoO

(Organists: An asterisk after an entry in the index denotes a tune source where the words and/or number of verses differ from those in Born in Song.)

First Line or Title	No.	Source	No.	
A Cradling Song	190	CoO	-	
A Hymn for Mothering Sunday	76	H&P	585	
A man there lived in Galilee	1	CoO	1	
A new commandment I give unto you	2	HON	39	*
A touching place	34	CoO	-	
Abba Father, let me be	3	PP	1	
Advent Ring (The)	146	H&S	88	
All heaven declares the glory of the risen Lord	4	SoF	10	
All I once held dear	5	CoO	-	
All over the world the Spirit is moving	6	HON	26	
All the nations of the earth	7	CoO	-	
Among us and before us, Lord, you stand	8	Iv3	104	
And He shall reign forever	9	CoO	-	
As gentle as silence	145	CoO	-	
As the deer pants for the water	10	PP	13	
As we are gathered, Jesus is here	11	SoF	28	
Ascribe greatness to our God, the Rock	12	SoF	26	
Autumn days when the grass is jewelled	13	CoO	-	
Be bold, be strong, for the Lord your God is with you	14	PP	15	
Be present at our table, Lord	15	H&P	1	

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First Line or Title	No.	Source	No.
Be still and know that I am God	16	HON	58
Be still, for the presence of the Lord	17	PP	16
Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side	18	HON	59
Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair	19	CoO	-
Before I take the body of my Lord	20	Iv3	106
Behold the Lamb of God	21	CoO	-
Bind us together, Lord	22	PP	17
Bless the Lord, my soul	23	HON	677
Blessed be the name of the Lord	24	SoF	46
Blessing and honour, wisdom and wealth	25	Iv1	112
Bread is blessed and broken	26	Iv3	110
Broken for me, broken for you	27	SoF	53
Brother, sister, let me serve you	28	SoF	54
Celebrate	37	PP	25
Change my heart, O God	29	PP	19
Christ has risen while earth slumbers	30	Iv2	68
Christ is our cornerstone	31	H&P	384 *
Christ triumphant, ever reigning, Saviour, Master	32	SoF	62
Christian people sing together	33	CoO	-
Christ's is the world in which we move	34	CoO	-
Colours of day dawn into the mind	35	SoF	64
Come and see, come and see	36	PP	23
Come on and celebrate	37	PP	25
Cradling Song (A)	190	CoO	-
Cross of Jesus, Cross of Sorrow	38	H&P	230
Cross over the road	212	CoO	-
Cry 'Freedom!' in the name of God	39	CoO	-
Do not be afraid	40	HON	122
Down the mountain the river flows	41	CoO	-
Far round the world Thy children sing their song	42	H&P	86
Father God, I wonder how I managed to exist	43	PP	30
Father God in heaven, Lord most high	44	H&P	525
Father, I place into your hands	45	SoF	97
Father most holy, merciful and loving	46	CoO	-
Father, we adore You	47	HON	134
Father, we love you	48	PP	32
For I'm building a people of power	49	PP	34
Forth in the peace of Christ we go	50	H&P	26 *
Freely, freely	61	HON	175
From heaven you came	51	PP	37
From the sun's rising	52	PP	38
From the tiny ant	53	CoO	-
Gather around, for the table is spread	54	CoO	-
Give thanks with a grateful heart	55	PP	39
Glad that I live am I	56	CoO	-
Gloria, gloria in excelsis Deo	57	CoO	-
Glory to God, glory to God	58	CoO	-
Go, silent friend, your life has found its ending	59	H&P	238 *
God and parent of all people	60	CoO	-

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First Line or Title	No.	Source	No.
God forgave my sin in Jesus' name	61	HON	175
God give us life	62	CoO	-
God has given us a book full of stories	63	MHB	857
God is good, we sing and shout it	64	PP	42
God it was who said to Abraham	65	Iv3	48
God knows me	181	CoO	-
God of concrete, God of steel	66	H&S	23
God's surprise (A Christmas Hymn)	208	Iv1	46
Good morning, Jesus	67	CoO	-
Great is the darkness that covers the earth	68	CoO	-
Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise	69	PP	45
Hands to work and feet to run	70	SSB	612
Hark! A herald voice is calling	71	HON	201
Have you heard the raindrops drumming on the rooftops	72	CoO	-
Here I am, wholly available	73	SoF	167
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord	74	PP	55
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest	75	PP	57
How great the debt we owe	76	H&P	585
How lovely on the mountains are the feet of Him ...	77	PP	58
I am a new creation	78	PP	60
I am the Church	79	CoO	-
I am the Way: Come follow me	80	CoO	-
I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus	81	H&P	146(ii) *
I come ever singing	82	H&S	81
I danced in the morning when the world was begun	83	H&S	82
I lift my eyes	84	CoO	-
I, the Lord of sea and sky	85	CoO	-
I want to serve the purpose of God	86	PP	73
I will enter his gates with thanksgiving in my heart	87	PP	77
I will sing your praises	43	PP	30
I wonder as I wander out under the sky	88	CoO	-
If I had a hammer, I'd hammer in the morning	89	CoO	-
I'll go in the strength of the Lord	90	CoO	-
I'm accepted, I'm forgiven	91	SoF	229
I'm special because God has loved me	92	SoF	236
Immanuel, God is with us	93	SoF	232
Immanuel, O Immanuel	94	SoF	233
In the Lord I'll be ever thankful	95	CoO	-
In the warmth of the womb I met you	96	Iv1	118
Inspired by love and anger, disturbed by endless pain	97	CoO	-
It fell upon a summer day	98	MHB	166 *
I've found a friend; O such a Friend!	99	MHB	423
Jesus bids us shine with a pure, clear light	100	SSB	607
Jesus calls us here to meet him	101	Iv3	92
Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice	102	CoO	-
Jesus Christ is waiting	103	Iv2	86
Jesus I know you live	104	CoO	-
Jesus, Jesus holy and anointed One	105	CoO	-
Jesus Name above all names	106	PP	84
Jesus put this song into our hearts	107	PP	85

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First Line or Title	No.	Source	No.
Jesus, remember me	108	HON	717
Jesus, send more labourers	109	SoF	300
Jesus shall take the highest honour	110	SoF	302
Jesus, stand among us at the meeting of our lives	111	SoF	303
Jesus take me as I am	112	PP	88
Jesus, we enthrone you	113	PP	91
Jubilate, everybody, serve the Lord in all your ways	114	PP	93
Laudate Dominum	165	CoO	-
Led like a lamb to the slaughter	115	PP	95
Let me have my way among you	116	SoF	325
Let there be love shared among us	117	PP	98
Let your living water flow over my soul	118	PP	99
Light up the fire	35	SoF	64
Lo, I am with you to the end of the world	119	Iv2	118
Look around you - can you see	120	CoO	-
Lord of the Dance	83	H&S	82
Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided	121	CoO	-
Lord, I come before your throne of grace	122	CoO	-
Lord, the light of your love is shining	123	PP	107
Lord, whose love in humble service ...	124	H&P	653
Love is his word, love is his way	125	CoO	-
Majesty, worship His majesty	126	PP	114
Make way, make way, for Christ the King	127	PP	115
May our worship be acceptable in your sight, O Lord	128	CoO	-
May we be a shining light to the nations	129	PP	117
Meekness and majesty	130	PP	118
More love, more power	131	PP	120
Mothering God, you gave me birth	132	CoO	-
Mothering Sunday (A Hymn for)	76	H&P	585
Nada te turbe	133	CoO	-
No one will ever be the same	196	Iv2	120
Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten	133	CoO	-
Now let us learn of Christ	134	CoO	-
Now the day is over	135	MHB	944
O Breath of Life, come sweeping through us	136	PP	122
O Christ, you wept when grief was raw	137	H&P	642
O God beyond all praising	138	MHB	900
O Lord, all the world belongs to you	139	HON	403
O Lord, hear my prayer	140	HON	742
O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder ...	141	PP	125
O Lord, the clouds are gathering	142	PP	128
Oh, freedom is coming	143	CoO	-
Oh! Oh! Oh! How good is the Lord	144	CoO	-
Oh, the love of my Lord is the essence ...	145	CoO	-
One red candle, burning bright	146	H&S	88
Only by grace can we enter	147	CoO	-
Open our eyes, Lord	148	PP	131
Our Father, who art in heaven (traditional Caribbean)	149	H&S	89

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First Line or Title	No.	Source	No.	
Peace is flowing like a river	150	SoF	458	
Peace, perfect peace, is the gift of Christ our Lord	151	HON	445	
Pleasant are Thy courts above	152	MHB	679	
Praise God from whom all blessings flow	153	HON	447	
Praise to the Lord for the joys of the earth	154	H&P	378	*
Praise with joy the world's creator	155	CoO	-	
Rejoice in the Lord always	156	HON	462	
Rejoice! Rejoice! Christ is in you	157	PP	142	
Rise and shine, and give God His Glory	158	CoO	-	
Safe as the atom, unsplit in its shell	25	Iv1	112	
Said Judas to Mary, 'Now what will you do ...'	159	H&S	91	
Seek ye first the kingdom of God	160	SoF	493	*
Send me, Jesus; send me Jesus	161	CoO	-	
Send Me, Lord	162	CoO	-	
Servant King (The)	51	PP	37	
Servant Song (The)	28	SoF	54	
Shine, Jesus, Shine	123	PP	107	
Shout for joy and sing your praises to the King	163	PP	144	
Show me the way	204	CoO	-	
Sing of the Lord's goodness	164	CoO	-	
Sing, praise and bless the Lord	165	CoO	-	
So here hath been dawning another blue day	166	SSB	470	
Soften my heart, Lord	167	PP	146	
Stay with me	168	HON	760	
Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus	169	HON	504	
Such love, pure as the whitest snow	170	PP	150	
Take up thy cross, the Saviour said	171	H&P	24	*
Thank you, Lord, for this new day	172	CoO	-	
Thanks for the fellowship found at this meal	173	CoO	-	
The Advent Ring	146	H&S	88	
The bell of creation is swinging for ever	174	CoO	-	
The earth is the Lord's	175	CoO	-	
The ink is black, the page is white	176	CoO	-	
The Lord is my light	177	CoO	-	
The Lord is my song	178	CoO	-	
The Lord said to Noah ...	158	CoO	-	
The Servant King	51	PP	37	
The Servant Song	28	SoF	54	
The sower went forth sowing	179	CoO	-	
The Spirit lives to set us free	180	HON	547	
There are hundreds of sparrows, thousands, millions	181	CoO	-	
There is a Redeemer	182	PP	155	
These I lay down	20	Iv3	106	
They who tread the path of labour	183	MHB	601	
This is a day of new beginnings	184	CoO	-	
This is the Body of Christ	185	CoO	-	
Through the love of God our Saviour, all will be well	186	H&P	641	*
Touching place (A)	34	CoO	-	

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First Line or Title	No.	Source	No.
Walk in the light	180	HON	547
Water of Life	72	CoO	-
We are here to praise You	187	PP	166
We are marching in the light of God	188	CoO	-
We believe in God the Father	189	CoO	-
We cannot care for you the way we wanted	190	CoO	-
We cannot measure how you heal	191	Iv3	68
We give Thee but Thine own	192	MHB	923
We'll walk the land	193	PP	174
We love the place, O God, wherein Thine honour dwells	194	MHB	677
We rose today with anthems sweet	195	MHB	666
We're going to shine like the sun ...	196	Iv2	120
Welcome to the family, friends!	197	CoO	-
Were I the perfect child of God	198	CoO	-
We thank Thee, Lord, for this fair earth	199	MHB	414
We want to see Jesus lifted high	200	CoO	-
What a faithful God have I	122	CoO	-
When God Almighty came to earth	201	CoO	-
When I feel the touch of your hand	202	SoF	594
When the church of Jesus shuts its outer door	203	H&S	74
When I'm confused Lord, show me the way	204	CoO	-
When I needed a neighbour, were you there?	205	CoO	-
Who can sound the depths of sorrow	206	PP	181
Who put the colours in the rainbow?	207	CoO	-
Who would think that what was needed ...	208	Iv1	46
Wide, wide as the ocean	209	CoO	-
Will you come and follow Me ...	210	Iv1	116
Within our darkest night	211	HON	780
Would you walk by on the other side	212	CoO	-
Ye fair green hills of Galilee	213	H&P	529
You are the King of Glory	214	PP	192
You laid aside Your majesty	215	PP	197
You shall go out with joy	216	PP	200
You're alive, You're alive	115	PP	95
Your kingdom come, O Lord	217	CoO	-
Your will be done on earth, O Lord	218	CoO	-

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### Appendix 3 – Audio Visual facilities

We have extensive audio visual facilities available for use in worship, services and meetings as follows:

- Comprehensive sound amplification with multiple fixed and radio microphones, tape player, CD player and audio recording facilities.
- A computerised ‘Presentation Manager’ system (this is not Microsoft’s PowerPoint system) for the display of:
  - Hymns and songs:
    - We have the full range of items loaded from the Methodist Hymns & Psalms and our own supplement (Born in Song) as well as a library of other (American) material. We also have Mission Praise (Combined) (Nos 1-798) plus some of the more popular items from Mission Praise Complete (2005)
    - We can load any song or hymn you would like included – but please let us have your input (preferably in ‘soft’ format) in good time
  - Bible Readings:
    - Our standard is to use the NIV Bible and to project all readings on the screen
    - We do have other versions of the Bible (American spellings) but not The Good News version
  - Liturgy:
    - Most of the Methodist Worship Book services have been pre-loaded
    - Please check with us if you need an order of service from the MWB.
  - Pictures and Images:
    - We have a library of items which, currently, is not very extensive
    - We can include your ‘bmp’, ‘tif’ and ‘jpg’. files if you let us have them in good time
- We can dynamically switch between the ‘Presentation Manager’ system and PowerPoint slide shows – please let us have any PowerPoint material well in advance
- We can also incorporate DVD clips, ‘mpg’ and ‘avi’ files – please let us have any items well in advance
- There is also a video camera available – this is particularly useful for baptisms, children’s addresses, etc. so that activity at the front can be displayed to people at the back of the church:
  - The camera can be remotely controlled but we would like to agree any ‘production’ issues with you before the service
  - We do not normally video- record items (the camera is reached by a ladder!)
- It is also possible to connect your lap-top computer at the preaching station and project the images directly to the screen – again, this needs time to be set up.

The key point is to give us plenty of warning about your requirements – please don’t arrive at the last minute as the technology may not be immediately available!

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# Caversham Park Village

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## Church details

Location      Caversham Park Primary School,  
                  Queensway, Caversham Park Village, Reading      RG4 6RP  
                  off Caversham Park Road                                      Easting 730 Northing 768

Ecumenical    LEP with Church of England, Baptist & URC

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## Sunday Worship (11.00 am)

Type of Service                      family  
Number in congregation            35  
Congregation profile              some children  
All age address                      yes  
Children leave                        after 2nd hymn, return later when it is Holy Communion  
Offertory taken                        before children leave

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## Resources

Hymn books                            Mission Praise (Combined)  
Service books                        Own version  
Readers available?                  yes  
Prayer leaders available            yes

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## General Information

Seating                                 moveable chairs, arranged on three sides of a square  
Services conducted from            lectern, table  
Public address system              yes, with radio mic turned off for hymns  
Toilets                                  yes  
Pre-service contact                  please make contact with Paula Andrews 0118 947 8430  
Notices                                  printed; announced at beginning  
Congregation prayer list            yes

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# Christ Church, Woodley (Ecumenical with United Reformed Church)

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## Church details

Location	Crockhamwell Road, Woodley, Reading Junction of Crockhamwell Road and Arundel Road	RG5 3LA Easting 761 Northing 728
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## Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service	Traditional, but first part appropriate for all ages with language and content suitable for young children. . Occasional Youth Participation Service.
Number in congregation	About 80
Congregation profile	High proportion elderly, but also mixed family, children of all ages.
All age address	Yes, specifically aimed at engaging young children, but be prepared also to involve adults in participation if too few children available.
Children leave	After 2nd hymn (chosen & announced by Junior Church), and after a blessing from the preacher; sometimes at holidays they stay in.
Offertory taken	Some time after children have left
The Lord's Prayer	We use the version stuck on the inside back cover of our Songs of Fellowship books. Please mention this before beginning your prayers.

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## Evening Worship (6.30 pm)

Type of Service	Traditional but open to other forms of worship (held in Stenner Lounge in the winter)
Number in congregation	About 12
Congregation profile	Mainly older
Offertory taken	At time to suit preacher

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## Resources

Hymn books.	Hymns & Psalms, Songs of Fellowship 1. Other songs by arrangement (early notice requested if projection required).
Service books	Methodist Worship Book 1999, URC Communion Service Booklet
Bible version	NIV
Readers available?	Yes
Prayer leaders available?	Yes
Accompaniment	Organ, piano or Music Group. For Junior Church choir contact Merry Evans (0118 926 4380). For singing group High Spirits or Music Group contact Steve Nash (0118 961 8319). Also instrumental/vocal soloists may be available by arrangement.

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## ... Christ Church, Woodley - continued

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### General Information

Seating	Moveable chairs
Services conducted from	Usually from pulpit or lectern
Public address system	Fixed and radio microphones, turned off for hymns. Tapes/CDs/electronic files can be played - please notify in advance.
Toilets?	Yes
Pre-service contact	Letter sent to preacher by Preacher Contact, Pauline Donaldson (0118 9345124).
Notices	Printed; extra ones announced at beginning of service. Prayers or words for worship can be included in the notices if required - please let the Preacher Contact know, no later than Wednesday evening.
Refreshments	After morning service
Congregation prayer list	Book brought forward in hymn before the prayers. Please read out the latest messages and then include the subjects in your prayers.
Other	Services usually recorded. Computer/projector and OHP available (please give extra notice to use these). Church has CCL licence & willing to pay royalties for material not covered by the licence.

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# Kentwood

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## Church details

**Location** 181 Kentwood Hill , Tilehurst, Reading RG31 6JE  
Wooden building on Kentwood Hill, Easting 674 Northing 747  
off A329 from Reading.

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## Morning Worship (11.00 am)

Type of Service traditional  
Number in congregation 15-20  
Congregation profile mainly older, occasionally some older children  
All-age address yes, welcome even when no children present  
Children leave after 2nd hymn and blessing, may remain  
Offertory taken to suit preacher  
Preparation for worship introit chosen by organist

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## Resources

Hymn books Hymns & Psalms, Power Praise (Revised), Junior Praise Songs & Hymns of Fellowship (red/yellow cover)  
Service books Own version available for all  
1975 Methodist Service Book available for all  
1999 Methodist Worship Book (for preacher only)  
Bibles in pews Living Bible. NIV at lectern.  
Readers available ? yes  
Prayer leaders available no

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## General Information

Seating pews  
Services conducted from lectern  
Public address system fixed at lectern, not available in other locations. Not turned off for hymns.  
Toilets yes  
Pre-service contact letter from Steward and 'phone contact a few days before.  
Notices printed, others announced at start of service  
Congregation prayer list yes  
Other Copyright licence held for photocopying hymns/songs from other sources but not directly from books.

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# Mortimer

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## Church details

Location 17 West End Road, Mortimer Common, Reading RG7 3TB  
From Reading, take the Basingstoke Road. Easting 653 Northing 646  
After crossing M4 (J11), turn right at roundabout, following signs for Mortimer.  
In Mortimer, soon after passing war memorial, turn left at Victorian parish church..  
Church shortly on right

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## Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service Open to variety  
Number in congregation 35-50, but very variable  
Congregation profile Adults mixed age with an increasing number of young marrieds; under 7s, 12; 7 to 11, 5; over 11, 3  
All-age address Yes, preceded by prayers including the Lord's Prayer  
Children leave After short AAW address, Chorus/Hymn & collection  
Offertory taken Before children leave  
Local participation There is the option of a member of the church leading the beginning of the service up to the children leaving.  
Details given in contact letter.  
Preparation for worship A chorus just before the service

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## Resources

Hymn books Hymns and Psalms, Songs of Fellowship combined 1998  
Service books Methodist 1975  
Bible version Good News  
Readers available Yes  
Prayer leaders available Yes

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## General Information

Seating Moveable chairs  
Services conducted from Lectern  
Public address system Roving & fixed microphones with T loop, tape and CD  
Overhead projector Yes  
Toilets Yes  
Pre-Service contact Letter sent to preacher, telephone call a few days before service.  
If a Worship Leader is requested at least a week's notice required.  
Hymns & Readings appreciated by Wednesday evening.  
Notices Printed monthly, additions announced at the start of the service.  
Refreshments Served after the service  
Congregation prayer list Prayer book

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# Silchester

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## Church details

Location	Pamber Road, Silchester, Reading Junction of King's Rd, Soke Rd & Pamber Rd	RG7 2NY Easting 623 Northing 624
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## Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service	traditional, opportunity to experiment with varied forms of worship and music is welcomed
Number in congregation	30
Congregation profile	mainly older. Junior church (twice a month) is growing up so there may be one or two children present or none
All-age address	yes
Children leave	usually after 2nd hymn which should be appropriate
Offertory taken	as preacher wishes

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## Resources

Hymn books	Hymns & Psalms, Songs of Fellowship
Service books	Methodist 1975
Readers available ?	yes
Prayer leaders available	yes, with reasonable notice

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## General Information

Seating	pews
Services conducted from	lectern or pulpit
Public address system	roving & fixed microphones, T loop system
Toilets	yes
Pre-service contact	letter
Notices	printed, announced before service
Refreshments	after morning worship
Congregation prayer list	occasionally

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## Tadley Common

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### Church details

Location	Newchurch Road, Tadley	RG26 4HN
	Turn into Franklin Avenue, from the A340 at the northern end of Tadley at traffic lights next to Lloyds Bank. Opposite shops, turn left into Newchurch Road. Church on left opposite community centre.	Easting 591 Northing 621

Ecumenical    Local covenant with neighbouring St Mary's, Church of England

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### Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service	traditional
Number in congregation	35
Congregation profile	mixed
All-age address	yes
Children leave	after 2nd hymn and blessing
Offertory taken	to suit preacher

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### Evening Worship (6.30 pm)

Type of Service	flexible meditative (see note below about layout)
Number in congregation	10 - 15
Congregation profile	mainly older

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### Resources

Hymn books	Hymns and Psalms, Mission Praise (Combined)
Service books	Methodist Worship Book 1999
Readers available ?	yes
Prayer leaders available	on request
Accompaniment	organ/clavinova

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### General Information

Seating	chairs, arranged in semi-circle for evening service
Services conducted from	lectern (morning), table (evening)
Public address system	roving & fixed, not turned off for hymns, T loop system
Overhead projector	available on request
Toilets	yes
Pre-service contact	letter sent to preacher
Notices	printed
Congregation prayer list	no

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# Tadley Main Road

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## Church details

Location	Main Road, Tadley South of Tadley centre on right on A340 after disused petrol station on left	RG26 3NJ Easting 605 Northing 608
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## Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service	traditional, but open to fresh ideas
Number in congregation	25 - 30
Congregation profile	mixed with children under 11
All-age address	yes
Children leave	after 2nd hymn
Offertory taken	to suit preacher
Preparation for worship	choruses & prayers before service

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## Resources

Hymn books	Hymns & Psalms, Mission Praise, Spring Harvest 98/99 & 04/05
Service books	Methodist 1975
Bible version	NIV
Readers available ?	yes
Prayer leaders available	yes
Overhead projector	yes

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## General Information

Seating	chairs
Services conducted from	lectern, pulpit
Public address system	fixed & radio microphones with loop system
Toilets	yes
Pre-service contact	letter or 'phone call
Notices	announced to suit preacher
Refreshments	after morning service
Congregation prayer list	no

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# Tilehurst

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## Church details

Location      School Road, Tilehurst, Reading      RG31 5AN  
Opposite Co-op supermarket      Easting 669 Northing 739  
[www.tilehurstmethodist.org.uk](http://www.tilehurstmethodist.org.uk)

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### Morning Worship (9.00 am)

Type of Service      traditional  
Number in congregation      30 - 40  
Congregation profile      mainly older

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### Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service      Lively  
Number in congregation      Normally 80 plus  
Congregation profile      Mixed with children and young people of all ages  
All-age address      Yes  
Children leave      After 2nd hymn and blessing  
Offertory taken      After children leave. Junior Church Offertory  
is collected as children arrive for the service and is dedicated with  
the main offertory

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### Evening Worship (6.30 pm, monthly)

Type of Service      Normally specially promoted service. See Plan / website  
Congregation profile      Dependent upon service

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### Resources

Hymn books      Hymns & Psalms, Sing for Jesus (local compilation). We have a CCL  
licence which allows us to reproduce a wider range of material.  
Service books      Own version  
Readers available      Yes  
Worship leaders available      Yes. Please provide plenty of notice if material has to be developed.  
Prayer leaders available      Yes.

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### General Information

Seating      Chair, enabling rearrangement for less busy /special services  
Services conducted from      Lectern  
Public address system      T loop system  
Fixed lectern microphone, three lapel microphones all controlled from  
A/V desk  
Projector      Fixed projector in place controlled by steward from A/V desk. Please  
Bring own PC containing material to project or arrange for loan of  
Church laptop, which is normally used by our Minister.  
Toilets      Yes, in vestry and also at rear of Church and in the halls.  
Pre-service contact      Letter sent to preacher, by email if possible  
Notices      Printed, any extras announced by steward before service  
Refreshments      Intended to provide after every 10.30am service  
Congregation prayer book      Yes, brought up by steward during a hymn early in the service.

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## Trinity, Lower Earley

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### Church details

Location Chalfont Close, Earley RG6 5HZ  
Next to Asda Easting 738 Northing 710  
Ecumenical with Church of England and United Reformed Church.

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### Early Morning Communion (8.00 am fortnightly)

Type of Service as determined by preacher  
Number in congregation 12  
Congregation profile mixed, no children

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### Morning Worship (10.00 am)

Type of Service lively  
Number in congregation 150  
Congregation profile mixed with children and young people of all ages  
All-age address yes  
Children leave generally after 2nd hymn and church news  
Offertory taken before children leave

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### Evening Worship (6.00 pm)

Type of Service as determined by preacher  
Number in congregation 20 - 25  
Congregation profile mixed, no children

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### Resources

Hymn books Mission Praise (combined edition)  
Service books Methodist Worship Book 1999, URC  
Readers available ? yes, rota  
Prayer leaders available with sufficient notice  
Tape player yes and CDs  
Overhead Projector yes – used regularly  
Accompaniment piano, organ, band as rostered

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### General Information

Seating chairs  
Services conducted from lecterns  
Public address system fixed, not turned off for hymns, T loop system  
Toilets yes  
Pre-service contact letter sent to preacher  
Notices printed, with full order of service  
Refreshments after morning service & occasionally after evening  
Congregation prayer list no

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# Wesley

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## Church details

Location	84 Queens Road, Reading Junction with Watlington Street	RG1 4BW Easting 722 Northing 732
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## Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service	main church family celebration
Number in congregation	100+
Congregation profile	mixed, with children of all ages, multiracial
All-age address	yes
Children leave	usually after 2nd hymn
Offertory taken	as preacher wishes
Music group	available on request. Please book well in advance: contact Chris Marsh (986 6765; cd.marsh@virgin.net)
General guidance	our worship team plans themed series from time to time; you may be invited to take part in one of these

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## Evening Worship (6.30 pm)

Type of Service	with a smaller congregation, this may be more meditative
Number in congregation	15 – 30
Congregation profile	mainly older
Other	customary for congregation to sit quietly after evening service to listen to organ music before leaving building

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## Resources

Hymn books	Hymns & Psalms, Worship Songs (own compilation, see index in Appendix 1) . CCL licence and can copy most hymns if required
Pew Bibles	NIV
Service books	Methodist Worship Book 1999
Readers available ?	yes
Prayer leaders available	yes
Data projector	available, but stored off-site, so needs to be booked in advance

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## General Information

Seating	pews
Services conducted from	lectern
Public address system	roving & fixed microphones, T loop system
Toilets	yes
Pre-service contact	steward will make contact by letter or 'phone call
Notices	printed
Refreshments	after morning worship
Congregation prayer list	yes; preachers should, please, include Regenerate project in prayer
Background	Wesley has a worship team, meeting with the ministers to guide the direction of worship. Preachers are welcome to contact us at any time: contact Jonathan Brown (986 2734; jonathan.brown@care4free.net)

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# Whitley

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## Church details

Location meets in The Reading Scout & Guide HQ Hut, 163 Northcourt Avenue RG2 7HG  
Easting 730 Northing 710

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## Morning Worship (10.30am)

Type of Service	traditional
Number in congregation	30
Congregation profile	mainly older
All-age address	no
Children leave	n/a
Offertory taken	to suit preacher

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## Resources

Hymn books	Hymns & Psalms,
Service books	Methodist Worship Book 1999
Readers available	yes
Prayer leaders available	no

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## General Information

Seating	chairs arranged rows
Services conducted from	lectern on a table
Public address system	no
Toilets	yes
Pre-service contact	telephone call from steward
Notices	monthly printed, plus announcements to suit preacher
Refreshments	after service
Congregation prayer list	yes

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## Woodley Airfield

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### Church details

Location meets in Woodley Ch of England Primary School, RG5 4UX  
Hurricane Way, Woodley Easting 775 Northing 735

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### Morning Worship (10.30 am)

Type of Service 1st Sunday: all-age, prepared by a team including the preacher  
3rd Sunday: communion. Many children receive communion.  
other Sundays: family

Number in congregation 20 adults, 5 children

Congregation profile mixed family, children of all ages

General guidance try to avoid the traditional "hymn sandwich". It is common to link groups of songs in two's and three's. Do not assume that people know when to sit or stand: please give specific instructions to the congregation.

All age address At preacher's discretion, but children return at about 11.25 (use song to co-ordinate this) to report back on what they have been doing (apart from all age and communion Sundays). Birthdays are celebrated by giving out balloons, bookmarks or other small items: this is usually done after the children have returned.

Children leave after first group of songs and prayers

Offertory taken after children return. Please make it clear that visitors and newcomers are not expected to give. Try not to make people feel guilty if they have come unprepared to give.

Accompaniment Music group, usually some combination of keyboard, guitar, flute, 3/4 singers (amplified)

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### **Resources**

Song books	All songs are presented on OHP so other material can be included. CCL Licence Number 266001
Prayers	a wide variety of prayers is available on OHP for congregational use, including the Lord's Prayer, the Grace plus several confession and other prayers. Please let the church know if any of these will be needed.
Worship material	Lectionary
Service books	none
Bible version	NIV
Readers available ?	yes - by rota. Readings are limited to those which will be the subject of preaching: do not include readings for the sake of it.
Prayer leaders available	on request

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### **General Information**

Seating	moveable chairs
Services conducted from	table with covering. No lectern or pulpit - be prepared to preach from notes held in hand or bible.
Public address system	yes. Tape/CD player available by prior notice.
Toilets	yes
Pre-service contact	letter sent to preacher
Notices	printed monthly; weekly ones announced by worship leader/preacher.
Refreshments	after service
Congregation prayer list	no, but OHP can be used occasionally to ask for prayer needs. Prayer ministry team available after each service. Prayer Meeting at 10am on first Sunday of each month

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