



Royal Wootton Bassett Methodist Church

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Lectionary - Acts 3:12-19 - 'Peter Speaks in Solomon's Portico',
Psalm 4 - 'Confident Plea for Deliverance from Enemies',
1 John 3:1-7 - 'Children of God',
Luke 24:36b-48 - 'Jesus Appears to His Disciples'.

What is the Lectionary? (Part 1)

If you have asked this question and wondered where it all began, then ponder no further A lectionary is a list of scripture readings appointed for worship on a given day or occasion. Lectionaries were known and used in the fourth century, where major churches arranged the Scripture readings according to a schedule which follows the calendar of the church's year. This practice of assigning particular readings to each Sunday and festival has continued through the history of the Christian Church.

The Methodist Church in Britain uses the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), which was developed in the 1980s and revised in 1992. It is now used throughout the world by many Christian denominations. It contains a three-year cycle of biblical readings that run through the Church Year, beginning at the start of Advent. The lectionary readings for Sundays are arranged in a three-year cycle that is planned around the four gospels in the New Testament. *Comms Team*

Prayer Rota - Rose Court in RWB; Purton Methodist Church in our Circuit; Sheffield District; Bahama Conference of the Methodist Church.

Please pray for the week's activities and those taking part:

Monday 15 April	9.30am - Church Garden Tidy-Up
Tuesday 16 April	10am - Tuesday Morning Pop-In & Light Lunch
Wednesday 17 April	2.15pm - Friendship Group - Ian Dyer: Local Radio
Friday 19 April	10am - Puddleducks
Saturday 20 April	10.30am - Messy Church
Sunday 21 April	10.30am - Worship Service, led by Adrian German

Flowers - this week the flowers have been arranged by Margot Tagg. If you know of anyone who might benefit from our flowers, please inform either Margot or a Steward. This may be due to illness, a bereavement or maybe having something to celebrate.

Church Garden - we are planning to meet again on **Monday 15 April** at 9.30am. Why not come along and help tidy the garden? All are welcome and refreshments will be served. *John*