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Lectionary - Job 23:1-9, 16-17 - Job's Anguish,

Psalm 22:1-15 - A Psalm of David, Hebrews 4:12-16 - 'A Sabbath-rest for the People of God' and 'Jesus the Great High Priest', Mark 10:17-31 - 'The Rich and the Kingdom of God'.

Lectionary Readings (Part 2)

Including the lectionary readings for each Sunday on our notice sheet offers you the opportunity to read through the allocated scriptures prior to worship. You may find you discover more from the worship by doing so. Lectionary readings often feature in the *Link* pieces for the week in question.

The notice sheet can also be found on the church website at <u>www.rwbmc.co.uk</u> from the preceding Wednesday if you would like more time to reflect on the readings prior to worship. Click on WHAT'S ON at the top of the page and then scroll to *Weekly Notices*.

More information about the lectionary can be found by following the link below: <u>https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/worship/singing-the-faith-plus/the-lectionary/how-does-the-lectionary-work/</u> Please note, however, that it is the decision of the minister or local preacher leading worship as to whether they use all/some/none of the lectionary readings as their focus for the service. *Comms Team*

Prayer Rota - Swallows Mead in RWB; Shrivenham Methodist Church in our Circuit; Lancashire District; Estonia United Methodist Church.

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

Tuesday 15 October	10.00am - Tuesday Morning Pop-In & Light Lunch
Wednesday 16 October	2.15pm - Friendship Group - 'All Together Now'
Friday 18 October	10.00am - Puddleducks
Saturday 19 October	10.30am - Messy Church
Sunday 20 October	10.30am - Worship Service, led by Pam Mullin

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

The following is a Pulpit Notice, which was read out in our Circuit churches on 29th September 2024:-I am writing to inform you of an important change in the Circuit. After time spent in prayers seeking God's will Rev. Dr. Joseph Ribeiro has decided to curtail his ministerial appointment in the Upper Thames Methodist Circuit effective from the 31st August 2025.

Rev. Joseph will continue to have pastoral responsibility of Shrivenham Methodist church with extended ministry and support to the Superintendent and the other churches in the Circuit. Rev. Shirlyn Toppin will be the interim minister at Highworth Methodist church.

The profiles for Rev. Joseph and the Upper Thames Circuit have been submitted, awaiting successful matching in November.

I ask for your prayers for Joseph and Martha, Highworth and Shrivenham churches and the Circuit during this period of transition.

Yours in Christ, Rev. Shirlyn Toppin

The recent collection for Christian Aid's Gaza appeal raised £260. Thank you! Lorraine

Harvest Weekend - at the Saturday Harvest Supper, £206 was raised for 'All We Can' and at the Sunday Harvest Service, £325 in cash, together with tins etc, were donated to 'The Filling Station'. Many thanks to everyone for your support for these worthy charities. The Stewards

If you have an item, please contact Mary on <u>notices@rwbmc.co.uk</u> by the preceding Tuesday evening.