

Woodbridge Methodist Church Stewards Report – May 2023

Over the past year we have four Church Stewards, with Diane Giffard and Helen Peats job sharing the Senior Steward role, our other stewards are Monty Guest and Brian Crowe. Monty time of service has now come to an end and we would like to express all our thanks for all his hard work and support over the years, especially in his role as Senior Steward. We would also extend our thanks to Freddie who has been taking our minutes at our monthly Steward's meetings.

The Stewards are extremely grateful to our two Associate Stewards and all those who are willing to help on a Sunday, without all their help and support we would find it very difficult to steward our weekly service. Thank you to everyone.

Grateful thanks are also expressed to all our Musicians, those leading our Intercessory Prayers, Communion Stewards, Readers, Sound Desk operators and those serving Tea and Coffee.

We were very pleased to welcome Rev Saul and Tariro to Woodbridge in November, and we have very much welcomed Saul's contribution to our monthly Steward's Meetings.

Our new Church Directory has been distributed, thank you to Diane and Peter Cogar for all their hard work in putting this together. Also, the Church Return Form has been completed and returned, thanks must be expressed to Diane, Michael Porter and Freddie Guest for all their input and patience in this matter. The church's Data Protection Annual Checklist has also been completed and returned.

Mothering Sunday Flowers and Easter Cards were distributed to our Church Family. A Portable Communion Set has been purchased and has been used to administer communion to members of our Church Family who are unable to worship with us.

There have been many opportunities to meet together as a Church Family after our morning worship, these have included Bring and Share Lunches, Soup and Pud, Jacket Potato and Pud, and a Harvest Lunch. We have also have held several concerts in our church including a concert by Illuminati, Woodbridge Orchestral Society and a Gilbert and Sullivan Society Concert in memory of Ralph Chapman. There is a Piano Recital arranged for the end of August.

Future events are being planned include the Northern Mission Area Church Away Day on Saturday 14th July.