

ST PAUL'S METHODIST CHURCH TURPINS RISE, BROADWATER, STEVENAGE

OUR CONGREGATION USUALLY NUMBERS AROUND 15 PEOPLE MAINLY IN THE OLDER AGE GROUP.

WE HAVE A SMALL GROUP OF UP TO FOUR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO USUALLY GO OUT AFTER THE SECOND HYMN TO THEIR CLASS "THE SUNDAY SECRET SERVICE" AND REJOIN THE CONGREGATION DURING THE SINGING OF THE FINAL HYMN. THEY ARE HAPPY TO SHARE WITH THE CONGREGATION WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING. WE ARE STUDYING THE BIBLE FROM BEGINNING TO END, AS OUR LESSON MATERIAL WAS PROVING TO BE UNSUITABLE FOR THE NUMBER AND AGE RANGE OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE WE HAVE.

WE HAVE MONTHLY PRINTED NOTICE SHEETS ANY ADDITIONAL NOTICES ARE READ OUT BY THE STEWARD BEFORE THE PREACHER COMES IN.

WE HAVE A RECOGNISED WORSHIP LEADER MR ARTHUR SCARROW.

WE HAVE A SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO ARE WILLING TO DO READINGS IF REQUIRED.

WE NO LONGER HAVE AN ORGANIST OR PIANIST SO WE HAVE A HYMNAL MACHINE WHICH IS PROGRAMMED WITH NUMEROUS TUNES. ALL OF HYMNS AND PSALMS AND MISSION PRAISE ARE INCLUDED AS WELL AS MANY OTHERS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE A HYMN WHICH IS NOT IN THE BOOKS PLEASE CONTACT ME TO CHECK IT IS ON THE MACHINE.

WE ARE WILLING TO LEARN NEW HYMNS AND SONGS BUT WOULD WELCOME A STRONG LEAD IN THIS AREA.

ALTHOUGH WE ARE USED TO A TRADITIONAL FORM OF WORSHIP AS A CONGREGATION WE ARE WILLING TO EXPLORE OTHER FORMS, WHATEVER YOU AS THE PREACHER FEEL BEST SUITS YOUR APPROACH .

AS A SMALL CONGREGATION WE HAVE DIFFICULTY IN FILLING POSITIONS WHEN NEEDED, WE ARE AT PRESENT LOOKING FOR AN ADDITIONAL STEWARD AND SOMEONE ELSE WILLING TO OPERATE THE HYMNAL ON A REGULAR BASIS.

OUR UPPER ROOM IS USED BY "BRIDGE BUILDERS" CHRISTIAN TRUST ON A DAILY BASIS DURING TERM TIME. WE HAVE REGULAR LIASON MEETINGS.

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