

**TABLE TOP SALE** at Trinity Methodist Church, Histons Hill Codsall, on Saturday, 2 November 2024 from 10.30am - 1.30pm. Admission Free. Proceeds for church heating. Variety of tables including cakes, Christmas Gifts and Cards. Refreshments will be available.

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*Worship... Service ... Witness ... in the name of Jesus*

# Beckminster Welcomes You

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## Worship and Fellowship

Sunday, 20 October 2024

Twenty-ninth in Ordinary

### What's On This Week....

**Monday 21 October**  
**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**  
 1.00 - 3.15pm Take-A-Break  
 5.00 - 9.00pm Dinky Divas

**Tuesday 22 October**  
**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed**  
 9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group  
 4.45 - 6.30pm Dinky Divas  
 7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga Group

**Wednesday 23 October**  
**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**  
 9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting  
 9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers  
 2.30pm Ministers Staff Meeting  
 7.00 - 9.00pm Drumming for Fun

**Thursday 24 October**  
**9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open**  
 10.00 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It  
 7.00 - 9.15pm St Johns Ambulance

**Friday 25 October**  
**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**  
 10.30am - 12.30pm Wulfrun Warblers  
 6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

**Saturday 26 October**

Collect for the Day  
**To ponder and pray .....**  
 Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters, we do also for you. Give us the will to be the servants of others as you were the servant of all; for you gave up your life and died for us, but live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Come and join us on**  
**Sunday, 27 October 2024**  
**Thirtieth in Ordinary**  
**10.30am Local Arrangement**  
**led by Mrs Christine Pearson**

**10.30am Holy Communion  
led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo**

Welcome

**StF 103: God is love: let heaven adore him;**

Prayer

Readings:

Hebrews 5: 1 - 10 read by Alan Marriott

Mark 10: 35 - 45 read by Maggie Marriott

Sermon

**StF 372: Come down, O Love divine,**

Prayers

Offerings and Prayer

**StF 595: Lord, we have come at your invitation,**

Holy Communion

**StF 415: The Church of Christ, in every age**

Blessing

We Welcome You to Worship Today

If you are here for the first time,  
please make yourself known to those  
around you, or to one of the  
Stewards or Minister.

Our fellowship will continue after  
morning worship with tea and coffee  
served in the Coffee Bar.

**The Wolverhampton Methodist Circuit**

**Circuit Operations Manager**

**An exciting opportunity to join the strategic leadership team to cover the operations management of the Circuit.**

**You will have experience of managing both a financial and property/resource portfolio.**

**£28,000 - £30,000 pro rata dependent on experience  
22.5 hours per week/60% f.t.e. Based at Circuit  
Office (Beckminster Methodist Church WV3 7BQ)**

**The Circuit is currently going through a process of restructure to listen to God's call and support regrowth, using the underpinning aims in its Vision (Courageous discipleship, Inspiring and diverse worship and Meeting needs). The Circuit is made up of rural, urban and inter-city settings with an array of community outreach initiatives. It seeks the right person to offer strategic leadership to our Circuit operations and support the Circuit Leadership Team.**

**For more information and an application pack please email the Circuit Administrator on [Shirley.tilston@wolvesmethodist.org.uk](mailto:Shirley.tilston@wolvesmethodist.org.uk)**

**Applications to be received by 12 noon 31st October 2024. Interviews to be held week commencing 25th November 2024. This post requires a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure & Barring Certificate.**

**FAIRTRADE COFFEE MORNING.** Next month's Coffee Morning on Saturday, 16 November 2024 from 10.30am - 2.00pm will include a Christmas Market, brought to us by the Circuit Fairtrade steering group. As in previous years they will bring us a wide selection of craft goods and cards. Coffees, teas and light lunches will be served.

**A MESSAGE FROM CHRISTIAN AID IN THE MIDDLE EAST**

Following the anniversary on 7 October of the attacks on Israel, we encourage you to pray for all those who grieve the lost. And we can pray for peace and wisdom. Peace in our homes, in our neighbourhoods and peace with our global neighbours.

The war in Gaza continues to take a devastating toll on the lives of innocent civilians who are witnessing death and destruction on an unmanageable scale. Loss and trauma run deep.

Christian Aid's trusted partner organisations are continuing to battle against the odds and are managing to provide support where possible. Meals, shelter, sanitation, medical relief and psychological support to women, men and children who are living through this crisis continues to be given despite many logistical problems. The financial implications for this work are obviously paramount and we are hoping for renewed support from Churches for our Gaza Appeal. If you wish to offer support, envelopes will be available at the rear of the church for the next three weeks or contact Wendy Bate.

**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE.** The service this morning will be live streamed. The camera focuses only on those taking part but the back of your head might be seen. If you wish to remain out of sight of the camera, please sit at the back of the church.

**NEXT SUNDAY 27 OCTOBER** the service will not be live-streamed.

**ZOOM PRAYER MEETING** on a Wednesday at 9.00am. All are welcome and for further details please contact Sue.

**RETIRING COLLECTIONS.** There will be a retiring collection at the end of today's Communion Service. Monies collected will benefit our Benevolent Fund.

**ERIC FOWLDS.** Our thoughts and prayers are with Elsie, Margaret and the family following the death of Eric on Wednesday, 2 October 2024. Eric's funeral will take place on Monday, 11 November 2024 at 12.20pm at Gornal Wood Crematorium DY3 2RL.

**WORLD MISSION.** Could those with World Mission collecting boxes please pass them to Sue in the office. Thank you.

**The Plants for October  
are in Loving Memory of:  
Parents and Sister of  
Pete & Tricia Prescott**

**SUNDAY CLUB.** Please note that there is no separate meeting of Sunday Club this week.

**COFFEE MATES.** Meet Monday, 4 November 2024 at Codsall & Wergs Garden Centre, Wergs Hall Road, Codsall, WV8 2HJ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY.** Our Christmas Social will take place on Saturday, 7 December 2024 with the same format as last year and we will be entertained once again by "Just in Time". Further details will be available in due course. Tim.

**IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTICE.** At our recent Church Council Meeting, concern was expressed about safety of people using our premises. Please ensure that the internal doors from the car park are **always** kept in the locked position after you have used them. This is important at all times, including Sunday mornings.

**DRUMMING FOR FUN** at Beckminster from 7.00 - 9.00pm on Wednesdays. The sessions scheduled are 23 October and 20 November 2024. No previous music making experience needed. £5.00 including refreshments. For more information and to book your place, please contact [music@blissfuldragon.com](mailto:music@blissfuldragon.com) or telephone 07983206430. All are welcome. For further details see notice board in the Coffee Bar.

**THANK YOU** to Beckminster for the lovely Harvest Bags, so well presented with little useful items, a meditation and a card. Very much appreciated.

#### Update on Hub Developments

You will remember that we met as a church body back in November last year to consider whether we might agree to pursue the Circuit suggestion that we explore the possibility of interacting with 3 other churches to form a hub in this part of the Circuit. We agreed...

Following that, we (i.e. Wombourne, Springdale, Cranmer and Beckminster) have had meetings to explore those possibilities in greater depth. I agreed to chair the steering group, Phil Shuttleworth volunteered as secretary, and our meetings have proved remarkably positive. In addition to that, the church treasurers have met separately, the property stewards have met separately, and so far, we have not come across major obstacles to prevent 4 "chapels" becoming one hub "church", with one church council, one bank account etc in September 2025. Our warm relations even expressed themselves in the form of a joint Beetle Drive last Saturday, kindly hosted by Springdale. Many thanks to those who supported this successful evening.

There are, of course, many problems still to be overcome. We know the unwillingness of some members to associate themselves with any church building other than their own....and the problems of members reliant on public transport or the kindness of car owners. At the same time we recognise the reality of dwindling congregations, reduced income and the lack of preachers to fill our pulpits Sunday by Sunday.

At our Church Council Meeting on 14 October 2024 we resolved to continue the project. We meet again as a Hub Steering Group in November, and we shall keep you updated.

John Ashwood