CHURCH ALIVE MEETING; The next Church Alive Meeting will take place on Monday, 17 March 2025 at 2.00pm in the Epworth Room.

COFFEE MATES: Meet Monday, 7 April 2025 at The Inn at Shipley, Bridgnorth Road, Shipley, WV6 7EQ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

CITY CENTRE MISSION: City Centre Ecumenical Lent Talks will take place at St Peter's Church on Monday's starting on Monday, 10 March 2025 from 12noon - 1.00pm. Soup and bread will be served from 12noon and the talk will begin at 12.30pm. This year's theme is: **The God Who Speaks** - *Deepening our understanding of the Word of God in Lent.* Speakers will reflect on one of their favourite books of the Bible:

Monday, 17 March - Amy Bertaut, The Book of Isaiah Monday, 24 March - Alexis Pottinger, The Book of Ruth Monday, 31 March - Mgr Canon Mark Crisp, The Book of Job Monday, 7 April - Deacon Linda Gilson, The Gospel of Luke

WOLVERHAMPTON CIRCUIT: Methodist Women in Britain will be holding their meeting on Thursday, 27 March 2025 at 2.30.pm at Beckminster Methodist Church. The Topic will be "My Favourite Things" (Please bring an item – or more than one!) 'Bring and Buy Stall' for MWiB and World Mission funds. EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

Rev Rachel Parkinson is leaving the District at the end of this connexional year. As part of her leaving service, we want to offer her prayers of thanks and blessing from across the district. Could people please write a 1 sentence prayer of blessing or thanks for Rachel and her ministry, and send it to Rev Jo (or via Shirley) by 13 April.

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICES IN THE CIRCUIT will be held at Wombourne 12noon, Cranmer 7.00pm and St John's 7.00pm. All are welcome.

LENT COURSE: Our Lent Course continues exploring themes from Selina Stone's book 'Tarry Awhile: Wisdom from Black Spirituality for People of Faith' (SPCK, 2023). We will meet on the following dates at Beckminster for a 7.30pm start and finishing by 9.00pm.

Wednesday, 19 March - Chapters 3 and 4
Wednesday, 26 March - Chapters 5 and 6
Wednesday, 2 April - Chapters 7 and Epilog

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If you are planning to come along, you might want to watch the videos for the relevant chapters ('sessions) on The Big Church Read website: https://thebigchurchread.co.uk/tarry-awhile/

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Worship and Fellowship Sunday, 16 March 2025 Lent 2

What's On This Week....

Monday 17 March 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 1.00 - 3.15pm Take a Break 2.00pm Church Alive Meeting 5.00 - 9.00pm Dinky Divas

Tuesday 18 March 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed 9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group 4.15 - 6.30pm Dinky Divas 7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga

Wednesday 19 March 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting 9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers 7.00pm Local Preachers & Worship Leaders Meeting 7.30 - 9.00pm Lent Study Group (See Notices)

Thursday 20 March 9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open 10.00 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It 10.00am Ministers Meeting 7.00 - 9.15pm St Johns Ambulance

Friday 21 March 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

Saturday 22 March 10.00am - 3.00pm FairTrade Away Day Collect for the Day

To ponder and pray

Christ, Son of the living God, who for a season laid aside the divine glory and learned obedience through suffering: teach us in all our afflictions to raise our eyes to the place of your mercy and to find in you our peace and deliverance. We make our prayer in your name. **Amen.**

Come and join us on Sunday, 23 March 2025 Lent 3

10.30am Local Arrangement led by Mrs Christine Pearson

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10.30am Morning Worship led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo

Welcome and Introduction to Worship

Psalm 27

StF 88: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,

Prayers

Reading:

Philippians 3: 17 - 4: 1 read by Stephanie Sherwood

StF 748: Glorious things of thee are spoken,

Reading:

Luke 13: 31 - 35 read by Pete Prescott

Sermon

StF 520: Give to me, Lord, a thankful heart

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

StF 658: A charge to keep I have:

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 Plants for March are in Loving Memory of:
 Louise Wood;
 Rose Carr;
 Lilian Ashley;

12.30pm Baptism Service led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo

Welcome

StF 440: Amazing grace

Prayer

Baptism of Amiyah Isla Wisdom

StF 536: He's got the whole world in his hand.

Poem

You've been a special blessing, since the day that you arrived, bringing so much happiness, and filling hearts with pride. And now that it's your Christening Day, this brings a special prayer, that God will always keep you in the shelter of His care.

Offertory

Prayers

StF 76: Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising,

Blessing

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE: The service this morning at 10.30am 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.

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