



Telford Methodist Circuit Newsletter

11th April 2024

A time to celebrate - The coming together of Trinity Methodist Church and St. Andrews Church, Shifnal.

On Easter Sunday we celebrated the coming together of Trinity Methodist and St. Andrews churches, Shifnal, signing a document that puts the two churches into Partnership. This culminates 20 months of exploring what this means, and which the Bishop and the Chair need to ratify this on Pentecost Sunday. However we believe this is a new age for our churches going forward.

This will mean that usually we shall worship together at St. Andrew's, and use Trinity spaces for outreach and occasionally for different types of services, such as Messy Church and HeartSpace. We shall continue to maintain our own building for a while, with a Church Council being responsible for property and finance, but in time we hope to become an LEP (Local Ecumenical Project) when the properties will become legally under one PCC/Church Council..

The Trinity facilities are desperately needed for St. Andrew's to maintain their work, while the St. Andrew's church is needed to house both our congregations.

This is an exciting if unknown future for our churches. We travel together on a journey that we don't know the outcome of, but we believe it to be the best result for our two churches and the fact that we are doing so much of the same. Please pray for us as we continue on this journey together.

Derrick Lander

Save the date!

You are warmly invited to
attend **Jo Kudlacik's**
Consecration Service for her
role as Pastoral Support Worker
on **12th May 2024 at 6pm** at
Broseley Methodist Church

All are welcome

Homeless Couple in Need of a 2 Man Tent.

A young couple have been in touch to ask if we know of anyone who might have a 2 man tent they can have. They had been living in a shed but unfortunately she has fallen out with her mum and so they don't have that now. They've been in touch with the Council who have explained they don't have anywhere where they can go together and they don't want to be apart. The young lady is only 17 years old.

The Council handed them a sleeping bag each and explained that's as much as they can do.

If you have a tent sitting around that you're willing to donate can you let me know please? Thank you. Sharon

The Plant Stall in Priorslee Village is up and running for the 2024 season. The stall has been refreshed with a coat of paint and the plants have survived the winter in their storage areas. The pulmonaria and primulas are in flower and look really pretty. There is also a selection of ceramic pots. Instructions for buying the plants are attached to the stall and there are plastic bags in a container underneath the stall. And of course there are offers. I love my offers. Regards Sylvia



Save the date!

Marcus will be moving on in August but we have Rev Adrian Burdon coming to join us from September.

Adrian's Welcome Service is on 1st September 2024 at 6pm at Dawley Christian Centre

All are welcome

CAN YOU HELP!

One of my much-appreciated church members who is a Care Worker needs to find accommodation (2/3 bedroom house/apartment/flat) so he can bring his wife and 3 young children to this country before their visa expires. Budget £750/month. If you might be able to help please contact me, Rev. Roger Dunlop, 01952 640079 roger@telfordmeth.org.uk

Please continue to pray for:

Denice Morgan has asked that we pray for her grand-daughter Azura who has an operation booked for her hips on April 24th 2024.

Doug Hughes who is on the road to recovery but please keep him in your prayers.

Jean and Steve Thomas.

Mark has had a difficult week. After getting an infection in his feeding peg and having spent time in hospital he also has thrush in his mouth which is very unpleasant. Please continue to pray for him.

Please pray for my daughter Stacey who is 27 weeks pregnant. Mother and baby are both doing well. Stacey's dislocations have been getting worse though. Her bones in the bottom of her feet keep coming out, and her index finger and thumb keep dislocating.

Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless our friends who are sick. Give them the strength in body, courage in spirit, and patience in pain. Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the Christian community, they may joyfully praise Your name, for You live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

Circuit Prayer Space

Circuit Prayer Space on a Monday morning at 8:30am.

Val Smith is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Circuit Prayer Meeting

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/96716434790?](https://zoom.us/j/96716434790?pwd=RTZZa210Q1ZOWCtLTWk3NHoyWDVlQT09)

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Meeting ID: 967 1643 4790

Risen Christ,
for whom no door is locked,
no entrance barred:
open the doors of our hearts,
that we may seek the good
of others
and walk the joyful road of
sacrifice and peace,
to the praise of God the
Father
Amen.

Online Bible Study is on a Monday 1.30pm, Monday 7.00 pm
and Wednesday 8.00pm

Enjoy a lively discussion as we explore the work of the
Holy Spirit in Acts.

Please contact the Circuit office if you'd like to know more.
If you're not sure why not give it a go?



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Games 4 Wellbeing

FREE COURSE

Start date: Wednesday | 10th April 2024
End date: Wednesday | 17th April 2024
Duration: 2 weeks
Time: 12:45-3pm
Location: Dawley Christian Centre, TF4 2EX

Do you enjoy playing games and meeting new people? Join us and try a selection of number-based games to increase your confidence with numbers. Enjoy FREE light refreshments in a relaxed and friendly environment, whilst making new friends. Each week you'll take away a FREE number-based game to enjoy at home.

Eligibility: Adults aged 19+.



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Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District
Methodist Women in Britain

Springdale Methodist Church, Penn WV4 4LF

**Tuesday 16th April
10.30am to 3.15pm**

*11.00am Final MWiB
District Thanksgiving
Service*

*Rev. Rachel Parkinson
1.30pm Happy District
Memories*

Please bring your stories and photos.

**Please bring packed lunch
Drinks provided**



I am holding an 'Open Morning'

at Seniors Hall Curriers Lane Shifnal TF11 8EQ

Wednesday 17th April From 10.30-12

An opportunity for you to learn all about our services
and the impact we make in this district.

We can explore the ways we can work in collaboration for
volunteering opportunities, fundraising and support for the
elderly in our community.

I will be talking at 11am

Drinks and cake provided.

Please join us at our wonderful new venue.

RSVP to Rachel

on 07935202556 or rachel.powell@mha.org.uk

Table Top

SALE

DAWLEY CHRISTIAN CENTRE

on Friday 19th April 2024

from 9 am – 12 noon

**Come along and pick up a
bargain.**

**To book a table please call
01952 505108.**



THE FILLING STATION
Haughmond & Wrekin

22 April 2024
7:15pm for 7:30pm - 9pm

Haughmond & Wrekin Filling Station,
Redington Village Hall, Shrewsbury,
SY4 4QS. 7:30 - 9pm, every 4th Monday.

Join us in April for our Haughmond & Wrekin Filling Station, for worship, teaching, prayer, fellowship & great hospitality!

Future dates
27 May 2024 + 24 June 2024

Main Speaker
Chris Denham
Chris is married to Lyn and they have two adult sons. Following a call to Baptist Ministry he trained in Oxford and then spent 22 years as a Baptist Minister. He started as Ecumenical Mission Enabler for Telford and Shropshire in September 2016. He retired in 2023.



More info at...
www.thefillingstation.org.uk/station/haughmond-wrekin




IONA WORSHIP

An evening meditation for EASTERTIDE inspired by the Iona Community, Scotland

WELLINGTON METHODIST CHURCH
New St., Wellington
Telford TF1 1LU

Sunday 28th April 2024
5pm
ALL WELCOME

www.wellingtonmethodist.org.uk
www.iona.org.uk

Come and enjoy -



Breakfast Church

Sunday 14th April
from 9:00am - 10:15am for breakfast
Stay on for family service at 10:30am

Reaching out together to share God's amazing faith, hope and love.




Coffee Mornings at Horsehay

Every Wednesday:
10.30am - 12.00 noon

Join us for tea/coffee, fellowship and lots of chat and laughter!

Foundation Safeguarding Course

Margaret Reynolds is doing a Foundation Safeguarding Course on Saturday 11th May at Dawley Christian Centre.

If you are unsure as to whether you are due to attend a course please contact either your Church Safeguarding Officer or Sharon in the Circuit Office on 01952 505108.

Registration will be from 9:30am with a prompt start 10am, finishing around 12:30pm.

Please book directly with Margaret on 01952 505233.

Thank you.

Safeguarding at
Young people and vulnerable adults

Coffee Morning at Cartway Methodist Church, Bridgnorth

On the 1st Saturday of each month between 10am and midday there is a Coffee Morning at Cartway Methodist Church. There's going to be a raffle, cake and biscuits too.

All are welcome.



Wellington Methodist Church

Are having All Age Drop-in Craft Sessions on the second Saturday of each month.

The sessions are FREE and start at 10am-11:45am.

You are welcome to drop in any time. Everyone is welcome.



Methodist Women
in Britain

Easter Offering Dedication Service

On Wednesday May 1st.

2.30pm

At Albrighton Methodist Church

All are welcome



Advanced Safeguarding Course

Stephanie Bradley, Assistant District Safeguarding Officer is doing Advanced Safeguarding Training in the Telford Circuit on **Saturday 22nd June 2024**, starting at 10am at **Wellington Methodist Church**.

If you are unsure as to whether you are due to attend a course please contact either your Church Safeguarding Officer or Sharon in the Circuit Office on 01952 505108.

Registration will be from 9:30am with a prompt start at 10am, finishing around 12:30pm.

Please book directly with Stephanie by calling 07494 734 473 or email: StephanieBradley@birminghammethodist.org.uk

Thank you.

Safeguarding
Young people and vulnerable adults

Advanced Safeguarding Courses arranged 2024

13/4 Wolverhampton	8/6 Wednesbury Black Country
20/4 Dale Street Leamington Spa	19/6 – Birmingham West & Oldbury
11/5 Sutton	22/6 Telford
21/5 Droitwich	13/7 – Bromsgrove & Redditch
25/5 Coventry	5/10 – Vale of Stour
1/6 Solihull	

Safeguarding
Young people and vulnerable adults

Please contact Stephanie Bradley | Safeguarding - Birmingham Methodist District - 07494 734473

stephanieBradley@birminghammethodist.org.uk to book a place.



The Methodist Church

The Black Country Circuit (28/12) *"Being Christ in Community"*

We are seeking to appoint a FAMILIES' WORKER (Part time 16-20 hours per week depending on suitable applicant - days to be agreed with some flexibility needed)

Salary: £14.00 per hour

We are looking for a creative and passionate individual to take on a new role of Families' worker to support the vision of the circuit in engaging with families in the church and wider community:

Are you:

A committed Christian who is passionate about youth and family work?

Good at encouraging people to join in, take part, and have fun together?

Brave enough to try new things, reach out and meet new people, and run a range of exciting community and church-based activities?

Able to work alongside people of all ages and diverse backgrounds?

Do you:

Know how to use social media to promote our work and reach more people?

Want to help model a fully inclusive culture where children and families are integrated throughout the church and community?

If you think this might be you, contact us for more information and a job application pack:

revruthchilds@gmail.com

07456 268771

Closing date for applications 30th April 2024 at 5pm

Interviews 15th May 2024

Admaston Methodist Church— the little church with a Big Welcome

Sunday Services

These are informal services at 10.30am led either by a Minister or Local Preacher / Worship Leader. There is often an opportunity for tea, coffee and chat after the service. Please check the Notice Board outside church or our website for details.

We also offer prayer meetings, bible study and fellowship meetings.

Community Activities

Community lunch The first Thursday in the month at 12.30pm. A two-course lunch and a chance to meet up with others for companionship.

Fabulous food (Donations approx £5)

Table Top Games The third Thursday in the month at 12.30pm for a soup lunch or just come along at 2.00 – 4.00pm to play board games or simply chat with others. Always fun!

Craft and chat Every Monday afternoon - 1.00 – 3.00pm. Come with your own ideas or share with the activities offered (small charge for tea and coffee).

Coffee mornings Occasional Saturday mornings from 10.30 – 12.30pm, often with table top sale.

Munch and Meet An opportunity to meet for supper at 6.00pm followed by sharing fellowship at 7.00–8.00 pm. Normally held on the second Thursday of the month.

Warm space We will be opening the church on Monday mornings for those who need a warm, safe space to sit quietly and reflect or would like to meet up with others for tea/coffee and a chat.

The church will be open from 10.30am

All these activities take place at Admaston Church but we have an open policy and you do not have to be a churchgoer. We are keen to provide activities for the local community - so please do come along.

For more information please check the Notice Board outside church or visit our website:

www.admastonmethodist.org.uk

If you have any queries please email: amcenquiries@outlook.com

Minister: Rev Roger Dunlop

Email: roger@telfordmeth.org.uk

Tel: 01952 640079

Church Activities taking place in
Albrighton Methodist Church on a regular basis:

Weekly, Thursday cafe 10-12

Monday (2nd and 4th Monday of the month) Coffee and T4U 10-12 (A quiet coffee morning for people who want a bit of time out it's FREE!)

Friday (2nd and 4th Friday of the month) Sing a long 2-3.30pm (For anyone who likes to sing 'old time' songs or from the musicals. £2)

Saturday morning 1st Saturday in the month 10-12. with bric-a-brac and bookstall.

Tuesday eve Open Door. 7.30-9pm This evening has a variety of speakers ranging from singing, talks about wildlife, travel logs, health related talks.....£2

We have a Quiet Corner open for prayer/quiet reflection when there are church run events, located in the Meeting Room. Gill is available for anyone who wants to chat on a Thursday morning and has planned a 'Food for thought' time for a short while after the cafe closes.

All are welcome

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Module and Unconscious Bias Training Links

To register for online learning via the Methodist Church in Britain learning page:

Click on this link: [MCBX \(theologyx.com\)](https://theologyx.com)

Click on **sign in** (in the top right corner) and **create an account**. You will need your email address and you will need to choose a password.

Once you have signed up to the website click on **Courses**. The two mandatory courses are:

- **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Module**
- **Unconscious Bias Training** (unless you have already completed this training eg via a zoom training opportunity)

Click on **Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Module** and then on **Go to course**