



Telford Methodist Circuit Newsletter

1st October 2026

3 Generate 2026 - On the Way - Will be taking place on 2nd, 3rd & 4th October.

"This year at 3Generate, we're exploring the theme On The Way.

Life is a journey, and faith is too. Wherever you're starting from, you're invited to take your next step with God. Together we'll discover what Jesus meant when he said, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life" (John 14:6).

Through worship, conversations, creative activities, challenges, music, movement and moments of reflection, we'll explore how God is with us every day and how we can grow in faith together. Whether you're full of questions, taking your first steps in faith, or have been following Jesus for years, there's a place for you at 3Generate. We hope you'll leave inspired, encouraged and ready for the next part of your journey."



Sounds very exciting doesn't it?

This year Darren Arnold, our Circuit Children's Youth and Families Worker along with 3 other leaders are taking 22 young people to 3Generate. They also will be sharing the experience with 3 youths who are joining them from Knighton Methodist Church.

I'm sure they are going to have an amazing time and hopefully on their return will be able to share photos with us of what they got up to.

Please keep all those who are attending, planning and working behind the scenes in your prayers.

Loving God,

As children, young people, group leaders, and volunteers gather for the weekend of 3Generate, we give thanks for the fun they will share and the friendships they will make.

Thank you for the opportunity given to each person taking part. May they know your presence and unwavering love.

Guide our young people as they explore this year's theme, "On The Way," helping them to worship you, engage in honest conversations, and grow in their discipleship.

We pray for safe travels to and from the event, and for all the leaders, volunteers, and backstage helpers who make this weekend possible.

May the joy and inspiration experienced at 3Generate continue into everyday life back home.

**In Jesus' name we pray,
Amen**

Eco News from the Telford Circuit



'I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well. *Psalms 139:14*

Artificial Intelligence has been a hot topic in the news and in our conversations recently. Whether we love it, fear it or admit to feeling confused, AI seems here to stay. If we are considering its potential for making posters or wondering how long before all taxis are driverless, we need to inform ourselves about the cost to the environment if current trends continue.

AI and the environment

Data centres to power AI are predicted to consume more than 945 terawatt-hours of electricity a year by the end of the decade – that is more than the energy currently produced by Japan (*UN news 2026*)

It is anticipated that the water required for the cooling of AI data centres may be equivalent to the domestic needs of 1.3 billion people by 2030.

Around 2.5m tonnes of e-waste will be produced annually by 2030, most of which will be disposed of in the global south who will also take on the burden of the environmental degradation and toxic by-products caused by the large-scale extraction of raw materials such as lithium and cobalt.

A hidden human cost

In order to 'train' Large Language Models (widely used by private individuals in the form of ChatGPT, Copilot, Grok etc) hundreds of workers are employed to engage in the monotonous tasks of teaching the machines what we do and don't want. These workers tend to be young, precariously employed and from the poorest regions of the world and the work involves being exposed to frightening and illegal content that internet filters couldn't catch, for miniscule pay. This has the potential for a huge psychological impact.

What can we do?

Be aware, inform ourselves and raise awareness of the huge environmental cost of using AI for producing posters, images, music etc.

Avoid using AI for mundane everyday tasks such as finding information or saving time on simple creative tasks. Alternatives are available.

Celebrate our human creative gifts and talents and use our own God-given problem-solving skills (lest we lose our abilities!). Support artisans, craftspeople, thinkers and listeners with souls.

Affirm that AI has its place in humanitarian work: humanitarian work: the development of medicines, sophisticated climate modelling and other projects that serve the common good.

A justice seeking church



Here are just a few of the many justice-related dates in **October**

Could you include these in your prayers and worship?
How might these feed into your wider church life?

Black History Month

In October every year we are encouraged to listen to the stories of those whose voices have not traditionally been heard and to celebrate those who have not been seen. In 2021, the Methodist Conference formally recognised the impact and legacy of the trade in enslaved African people and this autumn we are all invited to join in a consultation exploring how the Methodist Church can respond to its historical links to this and the continuing impact of that legacy today. For resources and information, including voices from across the Connexion, click [here](#).

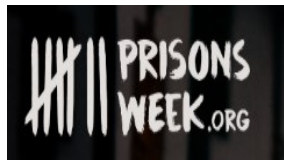


4th Good Money Sunday and Homelessness Sunday



[JustMoney](#) have all the resources you need to plan an act of worship around the fair use of our financial resources (including prayers, video-clips and ideas for hymns and a sermon) as well as challenges and ways to respond as an individual or as a church community.

Visit [Housing Justice](#) for facts and figures around homelessness as well as the positive impact of community action.



11th Prisons Sunday

During [Prisons Week](#) (11th-17th October) we are invited to join in a daily prayer for all those affected by crime. Resources for planning worship, a video, prayers and a poster are all free to download from their website.



18th Church Action on Poverty Sunday

The theme this year is Food, Faith and Fellowship. Click [here](#) to download free artwork, resources for worship (including sermon notes, hymn suggestions and powerpoint slides) and resources for holding your own 'Food, Faith and Fellowship' lunch!

The **Telford Circuit Justice Group** will meet on **zoom** on **Wednesday 14th October, 7:30pm**. Please join the discussion!

<https://zoom.us/j/96279360776> Meeting ID: 962 7936 0776

Date for the Diary.

Wednesday 7th

October 7pm
WLLP Explore session 4.1 on zoom

Wednesday 14th

October 7:30pm

Circuit Justice Team meeting on zoom



The Methodist Church

Could you host a local discussion session exploring how the Methodist Church could respond to its historical links to the transatlantic trade in enslaved African people and their ongoing impact today?

Use our guided session material to reflect, pray and respond as part of our nationwide consultation this autumn. Find out how to get involved at

<http://methodist.org.uk/.../reparative.../get-involved/...>

Get Involved:

How could the Methodist Church respond to its historical links to the transatlantic trade in enslaved African people and the ongoing impact today?

Pray with us today.

Loving God,
We come before you with honest hearts, bringing both our sorrow and hope. You know the struggles we carry and the pain we find hard to put into words. Be close to us in moments of sadness and remind us that we are never alone. Bring comfort where there is hurt, and strength where there is weakness. Transform our sorrow into joy, not by ignoring what has been difficult, but by shaping us through your love and grace. Help us to trust your presence and to walk forwards with hope, courage and renewed joy. Amen.

Genesis Padgett, Youth President
2025/2026

Find more ways to pray at:

methodist.org.uk/prayer.



 **You are all
Welcome** 
to attend

FAITH SPACE

 **Zoom Worship Meeting**

**Every Sunday
from 6-30pm**

 This week is our
discussion based service

**Methodist
Way of Life** 

**Together
in Faith** **Explore
Discuss
Grow**

 **This is for anyone and everyone
wherever in the world you are!**

 **Join Zoom meeting:**
[https://zoom.us/j/95651019665?
pwd=bGgyVEdvQ0cvNDRpWm5HTVB0UDRmdz09](https://zoom.us/j/95651019665?pwd=bGgyVEdvQ0cvNDRpWm5HTVB0UDRmdz09)

 **Meeting ID:**
956 5101 9665 |  **Passcode:**
395669

 **Come along, share, worship and be encouraged!** 

<https://zoom.us/j/95651019665?pwd=bGgyVEdvQ0cvNDRpWm5HTVB0UDRmdz09>

Coffee Morning



at
Cartway Methodist Church
Bridgnorth

in aid of



**Self Help
Africa**

*Growing stronger communities
across Africa*

*Good coffee,
homemade cakes,
friendship and
a brighter future
for Africa*

Saturday 3rd October 2026
10 until mid day




All welcome!

Free Event!



Climate Action Hub Telford Sustainable Saturday

Saturday October 3rd
Belmont Hall, Wellington TF1 1LT

10:00am – 2:00 pm

Sustainable & Healthy Eating for Us and for our Planet

- Harvest Local: Transition Telford join us with their locally harvested fruit and veg plus homemade jams and pickles, to swap or take for a small donation
- Healthy swaps for Busy Lives: talks and demonstrations at 10:45 and 11:30 by Little Gannets and Nourish Holistic Wellbeing.
- Food from nature: ideas for foraging throughout the year
- Zero waste: tips for using up gluts and waste food
- Bread making activity for children
- Swap Corner: please bring clothes, household items, books etc in CLEAN and USABLE condition to donate or swap
- Free energy saving advice and items for your home
- Small electrical item recycling and Terracycle collection point
- Healthy and delicious plant-based snacks, drinks and lunches available for a small donation



Resourcing the Lectionary

**A Resource for the end of Ordinary Time (Year A)
1 Thessalonians and Matthew's Gospel**

Saturday 3rd October

9.45 for 10.00 - 12.30

@ Mill Street Methodist Church, Cannock WS11 0DR

(on-site parking available)

Led by Adam Biddlestone (Logos Resources)

An interactive morning for Preachers, Worship leaders and those responsible for Local Arrangements to introduce my Resourcing the Lectionary book for the Lectionary Readings Sundays 18th October to 15th November.

The morning will include

an introduction to 1 Thessalonians

input on Matthew 22 – 25

time to use resources for planning worship

a bookstall of new and second-hand Christian books

Cost £12.00

(including an electronic or hard copy of my book)

Bookings by e-mail to adam@logosresources.co.uk
or on 07923 371576 **by Wednesday 30th September**

www.logosresources.co.uk

HARVEST *Festival* — SERVICE —

Sunday 4th October
at Cartway Methodist Church

Preacher:
Mr Paul Trenberth



Service starts at
10-45am

All produce will be
greatly appreciated
for a local
food bank



IONA WORSHIP

for Creationtide

A reflective service
using words and music from the
Iona Community

WELLINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

New St., Wellington

Telford TF1 1LU

Sunday 4th October 2026

5pm

ALL WELCOME

www.wellingtonmethodist.org.uk

www.iona.org.uk



Horsehay
Methodist Church

Harvest Festival Service

Sunday 4 October
11.00am



*Service will be led by
Mrs Persi Nitta*



All produce/donations will be
donated to the local Foodbank



**Horsehay
Methodist Church**

Woodwind Ensemble **Concert**



for



Harvest



**Sunday 4 October
3.00pm**



Free admission

*Donations for Church funds
would be gratefully received*





Table Top SALE



Friday
16th October
9 - 12 noon



Dawley Christian
Centre



There's a bargain
for everyone!

Trinity Centre
12B Victoria Rd, Shifnal TF11 8AE

Quiet Morning

Praying through the colours of the Rainbow

Coffee/Tea and Cake

The Prodigal Son

Saturday 17th October 2026

9.00am – 12.30pm

To Book please contact Evelyn and Jess on 07865 243182

Email revjessharper@gmail.com

St Andrew's Church Shifnal

'GRACE & PEACE'

A Church Service

Supporting Mental Health & Suicide Prevention

Saturday 31st October 2026

3pm

Followed by Tea/Coffee and Cake

For further information contact Rev Jess on 07865 243182

Email revjessharper@gmail.com



Join us for Bread Church

Wednesday
28th October 2026
between 1-3pm

Saturday
31st October 2026
between 9:30-1:30pm
(with a light lunch)

 **Dawley Christian Centre**
TF4 2EX

Everything will be ready for you to
make your own bread and it's

 **FREE!** 



You are guaranteed a warm welcome.





Bereavement cafe

A support group looking forward, following loss.

Thursday October 1st

Thursday November 5th

Thursday December 3rd

10:30am-12:00pm

The Trinity Centre, Victoria Road, Shifnal

Offering support, understanding & empathy

A small group brought together through loss.

We offer a relaxed, friendly and safe environment to talk with others, share memories and make new friends

Everybody welcome

For further information contact Claire: 07955 688627





Carols *in The Bandstand*



Dawley High Street
18th December 2026
10:30am



Free mince pie
after the service!



Christmas

9 LESSONS

★ and ★

CAROLS

SERVICE

at
Cartway Methodist Church

Sunday 20th December
at 10:45am

All Welcome



Carol Service

DAWLEY CHRISTIAN CENTRE

Sunday 20th December 2026

10:30am

Rev Nik Rogers
will be taking the service.

All are welcome.



John Fletcher of Madeley
Methodist/Church of England
Primary School

*"Whatever you do,
work at it with
all your heart."
Colossians 3:23*

We're looking for a **School Governor**

Make a difference. Help shape the future.

John Fletcher of Madeley Methodist/Church of England Primary School is seeking a committed and enthusiastic individual to join our governing board as a school governor.



Why become a governor?

You'll play a vital role in supporting our pupils, staff and community, helping to ensure the school continues to provide the best possible education in a safe, caring and inclusive environment.



What we're looking for.

We welcome people from all backgrounds and walks of life. You don't need prior governance experience – just a willingness to learn, good communication skills, and a genuine interest in making a positive difference for our children.



What you'll gain

- The chance to contribute to a thriving and values-led school
- Training and ongoing support
- The opportunity to develop new skills and broaden your experience
- The satisfaction of helping to shape young lives



Our school values

We are a Church of England and Methodist school, rooted in Christian values, where every child is valued, respected and encouraged to flourish.

All are welcome!



Interested?

For an informal chat or to find out more, please contact:



super@telfordmeth.org.uk



Bible Studies in the Circuit

Circuit Online Bible Study

Bible study on Mondays at 1:30pm.

Please click on the link below.

<https://zoom.us/j/95651019665?pwd=bGgyVEdvQ0cvNDRpWm5HTVB0UDRmdz09>

Please join us as we work our way through Matthew. Matthew was very good at keeping records and his account of spending time with Jesus and growing as a Christian himself, is very inspiring. All are welcome.

Meeting ID: 956 5101 9665

Passcode: 395669

Admaston meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month between 10-11:30am.

They currently meet in the home of one of the church family but if the numbers increased they would be happy to transfer the bible study to church.

Cartway, Bridgnorth has 3 bibles study groups.

Shambles Group meet on 2nd Monday of the month at 10:30am

Orchard House Group meet on 3rd Monday in the month at 10:30am

Greenfields Group meet 3rd Tuesday in the month at 2pm.

Dawley - Bible study group meets for two 5-6 weekly sessions each year. One during Lent the other during Advent.

Dunwell - Has a bible study before church service each Sunday (Service starts at 10am)



A 4 week series aimed at exploring Local Arrangements, creative worship and intergenerational worship.

Working out Worship is a series to help anyone who is looking to resource worship in their Local Church. For lay people, or ordained. For youth workers, Sunday school leaders, worship leaders, stewards, local preachers, ministers or those who are interested in starting to get involved in leading worship. Registration for one session is only for one session, please register for multiple sessions if you wish to attend more than one.

Working out Worship Autumn 2026

Date: 30 sept • 19:00

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/working-out-worship-autumn-2026-tickets-1976739102869?aff=eivtefrnd&utm_source=listing_android&sg=dbf960d64fc839500ff0714e16d5e40c7d1f68ade8accf2bffd41c858acba3dbf519cf8b90e516546153b9975ec5630824093dd83e88b6d2017a1b880ec388937822fa814a4eac4596a7c49b

Are you involved with organising, planning, or leading worship?

Join 1 or all of our Zoom training sessions on 'Working out Worship' – each session focuses on each element of worship, key aspects in facilitating worship, and a variety of styles and approaches to leading worship. You can attend as an individual or as a group with other stewards, worship leaders, preachers or contributors to your worship context.

Local Arrangements

Ever found yourself having to arrange a service locally and wondering what to do? You're not alone! Planning for local arrangements doesn't have to be scary – in these training sessions we'll look at the simple steps of planning a service, different aspects and approaches to worship you might want to keep in mind, signpost you to some fantastic resources and think about planning ahead.

Creative Worship

What does it mean to be 'creative' in worship? Is creativity a style of worship or something we should aim to incorporate into every part of worship? Ever found yourself saying "I'm not very creative", or "I wish our services had more creativity?"

Whether you can't get enough of creativity or find yourself intimidated by it, this training session is for you!

Intergenerational Worship

What does it mean to be truly 'intergenerational' in worship? How do we integrate different styles, approaches, and levels to ensure that we are engaging and meeting the needs of all ages?

Whether you have lots of children or young people in your congregation or not, this session is for you! In this session, we will explore what it looks like to be an intergenerational church, what it looks like to worship intergenerationally, signpost to some resources and look at how we can be inclusive and engaging in all that we do.

Newport Trinity Church

Regular activities:-

Saturday Coffee Morning in the Schoolroom at Newport Trinity Church 10.45 am. All are welcome.



Sisterhood is meeting on 15th September 2026 at 2 pm in Trinity Schoolroom.

This will be a planning meeting to discuss a new format. Our sincere and heartfelt thanks go out to Margaret Mantripp who has led Sisterhood for many years and has decided to take a well earned rest. Previously, Margaret has led worship and an invited speaker has spoken on a variety of topics such as Tapestry/Embroidery, A call to preach, A day in the life of a Speech and Language Therapist, Being the Mayor, A canal holiday etc. An update will be posted following the planning meeting. This is a Sisterhood for all, attended by other churches as well as non churchgoers.

Churches Together in Newport Activities

Monthly prayer meeting held at 9.30 am at the Baptist Church, Water Lane, Newport. This is followed by a planning meeting for upcoming Community events.

Friday Worship held monthly at Newport Cottage Day Care Centre (The old Cottage Hospital) 1.45 pm for 2-2.30 pm. Next one is on 18th September 2026

Sunday Worship held monthly at Newport Christian Care Home, Granville Road. 2.50 pm for 3-3.30 pm. Next one is on 4th October 2026.

The Big Sing held at the URC church in Shrewsbury on 26th September 2026 3-5.30 pm led by members of the Wild Goose Resource Group of the Iona Community. Suggested donation welcome, £10 to cover costs, but please give what you can afford.

Ketley Coffee Club :

We run the second and fourth Thursday of each month @ Ketley Community Centre, Holyhead Road, Ketley – 1 pm to 3 pm. The Club was started a few years ago to negate social isolation in the over 50's.

We have speakers, do bingo, go out from time to time, etc. It is a time for friendship – getting together and “putting the world to right”. Subs are £1.50 pp and we do a raffle @ £1 per ticket.

Bernie Jones is coming to give an illustrated talk on Wappenshall Wharf (more info on this on their web site).

Thursday, 24th September we are going to Frankley Farm, Broseley which has lots of animals. Light refreshments are available. Admission is £8pp. This is a self-drive event.

Would need to receive bookings for these dates as I must make prior arrangements.

Kind regards.

Barbara Evans

Oakengates United Church

If you are interested in attending please let Sharon know and she will put in touch with Barbara.

Thank you.



Leegomery Community Garden

Volunteer Session Dates for 2026:

January 13
February 10
March 10
April 14
May 12
June 9
July 14
August 11
September 8
October 13
November 10
December 8



Join us from 10am for a few hours of friendly gardening, every second Tuesday of the month. Learn new skills, meet new people and help your community get growing!

No experience necessary, all tools provided.

Free parking and toilets available.

Leegomery Community Centre, Leegate Avenue, TF1 6NA.

For more information find us on Facebook or <https://transitiontelford.wordpress.com>

Email: transition.telford@gmail.com
Registered Charity: 1166228

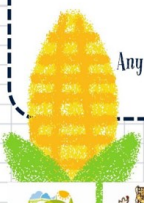


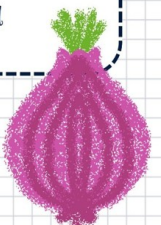
Wellington Community Library & residents hub

Gardening Club

Interested in gardening?
Join us for a friendly chat and cuppa
swap tips and talk gardening.
Launching 3rd September 2026!

Join us at Wellington Community Library
Every 1st Thursday of the month
10am-12pm
Any questions, comments, access needs, pop us an email
library@wellington-shropshire.gov.uk








August Update: £2203 donated, we are 1/3 there!



Telford Methodist Circuit
International Project 2026
together with

Ajumako Osedzi Methodist Primary School,
Ghana



Our aims:

- 1) the provision of an outside canteen
- 2) the renovation and repainting of the classrooms & offices

Can you help us raise a total of £6500 by the end of 2026?

Spiritual Abuse Awareness training dates 2026

Spiritual Abuse Awareness Training

Developed by the Methodist Church Safeguarding Team, Learning Network and Survivors Group in conjunction with Dr Lisa Oakley, Chester University & Thirtyone: eight

Course overview:

- What is spiritual abuse?
- What is the impact of the experience
- How to build healthy cultures

10.30 – 15.30

29th January 2026

4th June 2026

24th September 2026

19th November 2026

on Zoom

To book your place, please follow this link:
<https://imethodist-spiritual-abuse-training.eventbrite.co.uk>

For more information please contact Christine Kennedy (ckennedy@methodistchurch.org.uk)
Bridget Down (bridget@methodistchurch.org.uk) or David Knight (david@methodistchurch.org.uk)

The Methodist Church

We are pleased to announce 4 new dates for the Spiritual Abuse Awareness Training in 2026:

29 January

4 June

24 September and

19 November

All the sessions are on Thursdays, from 10.30 – 15.30

To book, please use the Eventbrite link: [Book on Eventbrite for Spiritual Abuse Awareness training](https://imethodist-spiritual-abuse-training.eventbrite.co.uk)

See the [Spiritual Abuse - The Methodist Church](#) webpage for further details.

Download a poster [Spiritual Abuse Awareness training poster](#)

Please get in touch if you have something to share.

Email:

circuitsupport@telfordmeth.org.uk

or phone 01952 505108



Garden Volunteers Wanted

Do you enjoy gardening and have a couple of hours a week spare?

If so, we'd love you to join a small team to help us maintain our sensory garden at the back of Dawley Christian Centre Methodist Church, situated in the middle of the Dawley High Street.

For more details please call Sharon on 01952 505108.

Thank you.





Albrighton Methodist Church

Regular church activities

Cafe Central

Every Thursday 10.00 to 12.00

Excellent coffee!
Meet with friends, old and new.



Monthly Cafe

First Saturday in the month 10.00 to 12.00

With high quality bric-a-brac and
book stalls.



Open Door

First Tuesday in the month
7.30 to 9.00

Wide variety of speakers
ranging from singing, wildlife,
travel logs, health related.....



£2 per head. Speaker usually puts fees to a charity.



Broseley afternoon Bible Study Group

Read, ponder, share and grow.

Discover the **Methodist Way of Life**
through conversation and sharing.
How does the Bible guide and encourage
us as we grow in faith together?

All are welcome, no previous knowledge
or experience needed!

Meeting at 2.30-4pm on
Tuesdays as follows:

- 8th September - Pray
- 6th October - Open
- 10th November - Challenge
- 1st December - Share



For more information contact Jo on
jo@telfordmeth.org.uk or 07415 784971



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

Forget me not Group

for people affected by dementia.

Third Thursday of the month at 2:00pm

Come and join us - there's a warm
welcome and a friendly atmosphere.

For more information, or for if you want to have a
conversation about memory difficulties or
dementia, contact Jean Odum on 07815 770209 or
jeanodum@shifnalbenefice.org.uk

JOIN THE ADVENTURE



ANCHORS
5 – 8 Years

புலம்பெ
8 – 11 Years

Company
11 – 14 Years

Seniors
14 – 18 Years

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT YOUR LOCAL GROUP

2nd Oakengates Boys Brigade & Girls Association
Meet Tuesdays (school term times) 7.00pm - 8.30pm
Venue : Oakengates United Church, Telford, TF26JH

For boys & girls 5 - 18 years old / Email 2ndoakbbb@gmail.com

BOYS-BRIGADE.ORG.UK/JOIN

The Boys' Brigade is a Company limited by guarantee, registered in England & Wales number 19022. A registered charity in England & Wales number 105889 and in Scotland number SC038076. Registered Office: Foston Lodge, Foston, Nottingham, NG12 5NL, UK.

Coffee Morning at Cartway Methodist Church, Bridgnorth

On the 1st Saturday of each month between 10am –12 midday there is a Coffee Morning at Cartway Methodist Church.

There's going to be a great raffle,.

All are welcome.



Wellington Methodist Church

Are Craft and Chat Group meet on the 2nd & 4th Friday of each month from 10am-11:45am.

There is a small charge but this does include a drink

You are welcome to drop in any time.

Everyone is welcome.



Coffee Mornings at Horsehay

**Every Wednesday:
10.30am - 12.00 noon**

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



Ladies' Fellowship at Horsehay Second Tuesday of each month

in the vestry @2.30pm

ALL WELCOME - BRING A FRIEND!

Painting for Pleasure at Horsehay Methodist Church

Informal art groups (no tutor, but lots of chat and helping each other with tips and techniques). Whatever your skill level, if you enjoy drawing and/or painting, why not come and join us? **Thursday and Friday mornings**
10.00 - 12.30. £5.00 per session.

Wool Wanted

If anyone has any spare balls of wool they don't need, can you let Sharon (01952 505108) in the Circuit Office know please?

At Dawley we are making knitted and crocheted blankets for the dementia patients at the Princess Royal Hospital.

The colourful blankets help patients, particularly those with dementia, to find their way back to bed more easily – and also see the edge of the bed more clearly when getting in and out. They also provide a more homely feel to the wards. Thank you.

[Calling all knitters: blankets wanted for patients with dementia – SaTH](#)



Bereavement Cafe

A monthly opportunity to meet and chat with others who have been bereaved, hosted by members of local churches.

Second Monday of each month

2:30-4:00pm

Wellington Methodist Church



Hi ,

I wanted to share an opportunity that I'm really excited about.

Here at **All Saints, Wellington with St Catherine's, Eyton**, we are convinced that we are “**called to be closer to Christ, sent to be closer to others.**”

As a church, we value **loving God, loving each other, loving our neighbours, celebrating and exploring**. With that purpose and those values in mind, we're looking for a **Youth and Children's Worker** to join us and help shape the next chapter of our ministry with children and young people.

We want to see children and young people growing in faith, being cared for and discipled, and discovering their place in the life of the church. We also want to keep looking beyond our walls, building relationships with children and young people in the wider community who may have little or no connection with church, and helping them explore Christian faith for themselves.

We're looking for someone with a **living and mature Christian faith**, a track record of fruitful work with young people, and experience of building and encouraging teams around them.

The role will include:

- Providing pastoral care and Christian discipleship for school-age children and young people
- Sharing the Christian message with children and young people in the wider community
- Helping shape the life and worship of All Saints in ways that enable children and young people to participate, belong and flourish
- Empowering young people to have a genuine voice in the life, ministry and leadership of the church
- Building and developing teams to serve alongside them

35 hours per week, including some evenings and weekends

Salary: £24,500 per annum

Applications close: 5 October 2026

If this sparks something in you, or someone immediately comes to mind, I'd love to hear from you.

For an informal conversation, or to receive the full Role Description and Person Specification, please email me at tim@allsaints-wellington.org.uk.

And please do feel free to pass this on to someone you think might be a great fit.

With every blessing,

Rev Tim Carter

All Saints, Wellington with St Catherine's, Eyton

All Saints and St Catherine's are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expect all employees to share this commitment. Successful applicants will be required to complete an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check.



HeartSpace

worship for today

HeartSpace on Sundays

10:30am

Trinity Centre

Upcoming Dates

Sunday 20th September

Sunday 18th October

Sunday 15th November



Contact:
heartspace@shifnalbenefice.org.uk



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

Evangelism

Don't be afraid! This year's Christmas resources are here already

As we plan our journey through Advent, let's get ready to share with our communities the angel's words: "Don't be afraid". This year's Advent and Christmas resources from The Methodist Church help us recognise the presence of God in the midst of frightening times. Yes, the world is a scary place. Yes, life is hard. We are not alone. Sign up for one of the Christmas webinars [here](#) – and get a sneak peek of the resources at methodist.org.uk/christmasresources.



A Prayer Meeting is held at Horsehay Methodist Church on the first Thursday of each month

For the Autumn/Winter months, the meetings will start at the earlier time of 2.30pm

I wanted to share a quick update regarding our safeguarding contacts within the Connexional Team. As some of you may already be aware, Sue Holder has now retired after 12 years in her role, and Neil Hutchinson has taken over from her.

Neil will be working 21 hours, generally Monday to Wednesday. Steph Bradley remains our main Regional Officer for Safeguarding, working 33 hours across the week. However, both can be contacted out of office hours for any urgent safeguarding matters.

Please update your records with their contact details below:

Neil Hutchinson
Email: hutchinsonn@methodistchurch.org.uk
Mobile: +44 (0) 7384 810901

Steph Bradley
Email: bradleys@methodistchurch.org.uk
Mobile: 07817 808557

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If there are any further changes, I will let you know.

Lauren

Safeguarding Training – Now Available Online

The Safeguarding Foundation Course is now available online via [MCBX](#), making it easier than ever for church members to complete their safeguarding training.

This flexible option is ideal for those who find it difficult to attend face-to-face sessions, as the course can be completed at your own pace. MCBX (mcb.theologyx.com) is the Methodist Church's online learning platform, providing access to safeguarding training, supporting materials, and a downloadable certificate on completion.

This online course complements, rather than replaces, face-to-face and participatory training, which continue to be an important part of safeguarding learning.

If you need to complete the Safeguarding Foundation Course, please speak to your Church Safeguarding Officer for further guidance.



Lauren Baxendale

Circuit Safeguarding Officer

Dawley Christian Centre, High Street, Dawley, Telford, TF4 2EX
07904 814741
Safeguarding@telfordmeth.org.uk | www.telfordmeth.org.uk

Advanced Safeguarding Module Training

The District has updated the booking arrangements for Advanced Safeguarding Module training courses.

Anyone who is required to complete the Advanced Module, or renew their training, should use the current District booking link to view available courses and make a reservation. Courses are available both face-to-face and via participatory Zoom sessions.

For details of current course dates and to make a booking, please use the following link:

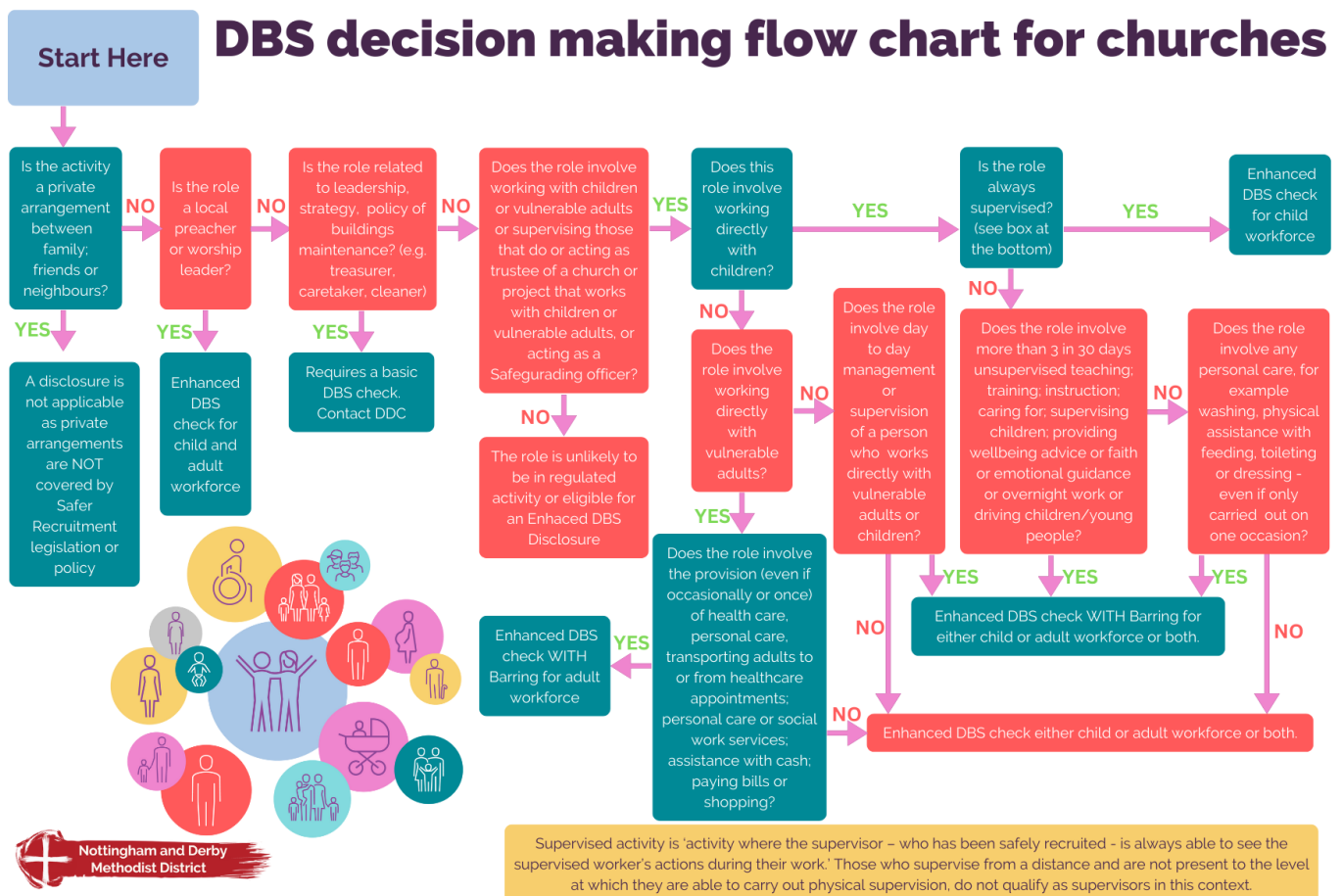
[Stephanie Bradley](#)

Many thanks,

Lauren

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New Safeguarding Reporting Form

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, and clear communication is key to keeping our community in the Telford Methodist Circuit safe and supported.

A new **Safeguarding Reporting Form** is now in use across the Circuit. Copies have already been shared with your **Church Safeguarding Officers (CSOs)** and should shortly be **appearing on the Circuit website and your church safeguarding noticeboards**.

If you don't see a copy, or if you have a safeguarding concern, please notify your **designated CSO** as soon as possible. If your church does not have a CSO appointed, you can contact:

Lauren Baxendale, Circuit Safeguarding Officer safeguarding@telfordmeth.org.uk | 07904 814741

Stephanie Bradley, Regional Officer for Safeguarding bradleys@methodistchurch.org.uk | 07817 808557

By reporting concerns promptly using the new safeguarding reporting form, you help ensure that issues are recorded appropriately, responded to quickly, and escalated where necessary.

Thank you for helping us maintain safe and welcoming places for all.



CHURCH SAFEGUARDING CONCERN FORM
(Any person can complete this form)

PLEASE NOTE: If you are worried about contacting us and giving your details, please be assured that we will do what we can to support you. Please telephone your District Safeguarding Officer and they can talk with you about this. Your District Safeguarding Officer can also help you to complete this form or take details over the telephone.

We can arrange pastoral care for you if you would find this helpful. If you would like this, please tick here ☐ or contact your District Safeguarding Officer.

Your details

Name:			
Role/Position:			
Tel:			
E-mail:			
Circuit/District:			
Date:		Time:	

Details of the person you are worried about

Name:			
Address:			
	Postcode:		
Tel:			
E-mail:			
Child or Adult:	Approximate age or date of birth if known:		
Role (if applicable):			
Church/Circuit:			

If the person you are worried about is a child or vulnerable adult, it would be helpful if you could give some details about their carer.

Parent/Guardian/Carer

Name:			
Address:			
	Postcode:		
Tel:			
E-mail:			

Please tell us what you are worried about, when this happened and where:

Could you tell us what action has already been taken (if any)?

Please let us know of any other information you think would be helpful for us to know:

PLEASE NOTE:

We may need to share the information you have provided with other agencies to help ensure the person you are referring and others are safe. If the information is passed on to the statutory authorities your name may be disclosed to the person you are referring.

West Midlands District cares about your privacy and your trust is important to us. Our Privacy Notice explains how Local Churches, Circuits and Districts within the Methodist Church in Great Britain collect, use and protect your personal information. It also provides information about your rights (paragraph 9 of the Privacy Notice) and who to contact (paragraph 1 of the Privacy Notice) if you have any questions about how we use your information. You can find our Privacy Notice online (www.tmc.org.uk/about/data-protection/managing-trustees-privacy-notice). Your Circuit Safeguarding Officer will try to deal with any questions as a local point of contact. Alternatively, if viewing this form on line [click here](#) to read our Privacy Notice.

Thank you for completing this form.

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is to respond to the
gospel of **God's love**
in **Christ** and to live
out its discipleship in
worship and mission

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