

Weekly Circuit News 23rd February 2023, No. 017

If you have anything you would like to be included, please send to the Circuit Office.

Lectionary Readings for 26th February 2023

1st **Reading** Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Psalm Psalm 32

2nd Reading Romans 5:12-19 **Gospel** Matthew 4:1-11

Notice to Everyone

I have got a few copies of the Methodist Prayer Handbook. If anyone would like one please can you contact the Circuit Office, they are £4.50 each

Re:Plant District Day & Presidential Visit: 10-12 March 2023

Please see the attached Publicity letter received from the District Office for the Presidential Visit in March

Sunday 12th March 2023

Vice President Antony Boateng will be preaching 10.30am at Bedworth Methodist Church, Mill Street, Bedworth, CV12 8JZ

Following the morning service, at 1pm there will be a Faith Lunch, where you are invited to bring along some food to share and to meet the vice president, Antony Boateng. We look forward to you joining in with this time together!

IGC Worship

Date: Sunday 26th February 2023
Time: 4.45pm for 5pm start
Venue: Earlsdon Methodist Church

All ages sharing together in worship. Methodist Way of Life; The twelve points of entry into living out our discipleship and getting to know Jesus better.

This week's entry point: - Flourish

Earlsdon Methodist Church – Centenary Celebrations

To all churches in the Coventry & Nuneaton circuit

Earlsdon Methodist is celebrating the centenary of our church in its present building. As part of our celebrations, we are planning a floral festival in June and would like you to join us.

The event will take place this summer from Saturday 24^{th} June to Sunday 2^{nd} July.

Earlsdon Methodist, Albany Road, Earlsdon, Coventry, CV5 6NF

Open Mic – Friday 10th March 2023

Please note in your diaries Friday 10th March 7-9pm. The Vice President of Conference will be visiting Earlsdon Methodist Church.

This is a Circuit event and so all youths and leaders are invited to come with your instruments, singing and other gifts and talents for an open mic session.

Pizza will be served!!

The deadline for booking is Sunday 26th February. Leaders, participants and youths are all required to book a free ticket.

Here is the link below to book your free tickets and register your dietary requirements.

https://buytickets.at/birminghammethodistdistrict/827908

A good time awaits you!

Local Preachers' Sunday

Date: Sunday 16th April 2023

Time: 2pm

Venue: Coventry Central Hall

You are invited to share in Preachers' Sunday service on 16th April 2023, 2pm at Coventry Central Hall.

Our District Chair, Revd Novette Headley will be leading the service.

This will be a reaffirmation service of Local Preachers and Worship Leaders and we look forward to you joining this service.

Every Church a Growing Church: Mission planning for all.

Be inspired, gain practical tips and receive help tailored to your context, so that every church might freely share God's love in Christ.

Date and time:

Sat, 8 July 2023, 10:00 - 15:00 BST

Location: Online

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/every-church-a-growing-church-mission-planning-for-all-tickets-525626953367

Perhaps you have found yourself asking some of these questions:

How do we do mission when we're all worn out?

What if we have big ideas and a small congregation?

How do we produce a circuit mission plan?

This online conference seeks to inspire you to discover the particular gifts your church/es have to offer the community and to create simple, useful plans for positive action. Through a mixture of presentations, workshops and team coaching sessions, we'll explore God's call to share the love of Christ in word and deed, offering what we have to our community and letting the Spirit get to work.

Maybe your church has struggled to get started with mission planning. Or you've made a start but got stuck along the way. Perhaps you have a mission plan, but it hasn't yet translated into positive action. Or maybe you're leading a whole circuit in mission planning. Wherever you are, this conference will help you get unstuck and get going. Workshops will explore topics such as doing mission in small churches, building community partnerships and mission planning at circuit level.

The conference is aimed at lay and ordained church leaders - church and circuit stewards, lay workers, ministers and Superintendents - all those responsible for helping churches live out their calling. Individuals are welcome, but for an even greater impact, why not bring a team from your church or circuit?

Methodist Women in Britain

Please see the attached poster for information on the Spring Meeting on Saturday 1st April 10.30am for 11am start till 3pm. Taking place at Erdington Methodist Church.

Information Received from the District Office

A brief paragraph taken from a letter received from Baroness Scott of Bybrook OBE, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Faith and Communities.

To show our continued solidarity with Ukraine, the Government has announced a **national moment of silence at 11am on Friday 24 February 2023,** so that the UK public can demonstrate their support and reflect on the human cost suffered by Ukraine in their fight for freedom. I hope you can join in and share this information with others, so as many people as possible are able to take part.

We stand proudly with Ukraine and will continue to do so.