



Coventry & Nuneaton

METHODIST CIRCUIT

Weekly Circuit News Thursday 9th March 2023, No. 019

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

Lectionary Readings for 12th March 2023

1st Reading Exodus 17:1-7
 Psalm Psalm 95
 2nd Reading Romans 5:1-11
 Gospel John 4:5-42

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

Amendment to the March, April and May Plan

Easter Sunday 9th April Radford & Holbrooks

8am Rev'd Graham Gee including Communion
 10.45am Rev'd Doreen Koffie-Williams – this service will not include communion, it will be All Age Worship

Additional Services over Easter 2023

Maundy Thursday 6th April 2023		
Central Hall	7pm	Communion (including washing of feet) Rev'd Stephen Willey/Deacon Sheila Dawson
Horeston Grange	6.30pm	Passover Meal must be booked before event, contact Judith Wilson
Meriden	7pm	Rev'd Ian Coates
Nuneaton	7pm	Communion - Rev'd Clive Fowle
Radford & Holbrooks	7pm	Communion - Rev'd Doreen Koffie-Williams
Good Friday 7th April 2023		
Arley	7pm	Rev'd Ian Coates
Atherstone Trinity	12 Noon	Rev'd Allan Smith
Bedworth	12 Noon	Rev'd Keith Salter
Central Hall	12 Noon	Rev'd Stephen Willey
Earlsdon	11am	All Age Worship Rev'd Doreen Koffie-Williams
Horeston Grange	10.45am	Service followed by coffee & hot cross bun and distribution of hot cross buns outside the Co-op
Nuneaton	12 Noon	Joining with Bedworth
Ryton	7pm	Deacon Sue Fry

Sunday 12th March 2023

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

From 12:30pm there will be a Faith Lunch, where you are invited to come along and bring some food to share and to meet the vice president, Antony Boateng. We look forward to as many of you as possible joining in with this time together!

Radford & Holbrooks Methodist Church

Will be holding their Spring Fair
Date: Saturday 25th March 2023
Time: 10am - 1pm

Venue: Radford & Holbrooks Methodist Church, Rupert Road, Radford, Coventry, CV6 3AZ

There will be various stalls including Easter cards & crafts, books & cakes. Sausage batches & drinks will be served. All welcome.

Information received from the District Office – Enquiring Minds Events

Have you ever been in that situation where you don't quite catch someone's name the first time you meet them. Then on each subsequent meeting you have with them it becomes more and more awkward to ask? Sometimes it can be a bit like this with our faith. Maybe something in a sermon or piece of scripture prompts a question, but we feel awkward and don't know who to ask about it. Maybe you lie awake worrying at night and contemplating big questions about life, the universe and everything. Perhaps you want to go deeper in to your understanding of faith.

If you have ever had questions about faith, but didn't know who to ask, now is your opportunity. This Lent the Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District will be holding a number of "Enquiring Minds" events where you are invited to come and ask questions about faith. As part of this we are holding an online event for all in the region. The panel will include Rachel Starr, Director of Studies at the Queen's Foundation for Ecumenical Theological Education in Birmingham. Along with our two District Chairs the Rev. Rachel Parkinson and Rev. Novette Headley.

You will need to book for the online event as places are limited. Go to [Enquiring Minds Tickets, Wed 22 Mar 2023 at 19:30 | Eventbrite](#)

For those able to come to the face to face events, the dates and venues are:
Sunday 12th March 3.30-5.00pm at Albrighton Methodist Church WV7 3JA and
Sunday 19th March 3.30-5.00pm at Kingswinford Methodist Church DY6 9NP
Why not explore your faith this Lent, with Enquiring Minds.

Methodist Women in Britain

Dear Friends in Christ,

I have been asked to send this invitation to you, to come to our most Special Birmingham District MWiB day at Erdington Methodist Church on Saturday April 1st. THIS IS NOT AN APRIL FOOL.

Our speaker will be Janet Carlton of DFN UK, she will speak to "Dignity and Freedom for poor, Marginalised and Outcaste Communities".

And we will be joined by the Zimbabwean Gospel choir.

There will be a faith lunch, please bring what you can and label with ingredients if possible.

Drinks will be available before the Meeting and at Lunchtime. 10.30am for a 11am start and we aim to finish at 3pm.

There is limited parking at the church, but close car parks are available only five minutes-walk away. Trains run from Birmingham New Street to Erdington Station every 15 minutes. The Train station is over the road from the church.

I believe this will be an exceptional Day and look forward to seeing all of you. Please bring a friend – they will be most welcome.

Please will you display the attached poster in prominent position on your church notice Board and add to your Church Notices for the next few Weeks?

All blessings in Christ, Josie Boughton

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.

Ryton Methodist Church

Are holding a Quiz Night & Fish 'n' Chips Supper

Date: Saturday 22nd April 2023
Time: 6:30pm

Venue : Ryton Methodist Church, Rugby Road, Bulkington, CV12 9JQ £8 per person

Teams - up to 6 people.

Tea/coffee provided or bring your own soft drinks. (No alcohol please)

Please book your place by telephoning Deacon Sue Fry on 02476 317338 **by 15th April 2023**

Earlsdon Methodist Church – Centenary Celebrations - Please see the attached flyer will full details of how to join in the 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 24th June to Sunday 2nd July.

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

Advanced Safeguarding Training

There is an Advanced Safeguarding Training run by Kay Redfern our Assistant District Safeguarding Officer, taking place in our Circuit.

Please contact Kay directly to book onto this date, kayredfern@birminghammethodist.org.uk

Saturday 9th September 2023 - Coventry Central Hall - face to face 9.45 am registration