



# Coventry & Nuneaton

## METHODIST CIRCUIT

### Weekly Circuit News Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023, No. 022

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

### Lectionary Readings for 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023

#### Entry into Jerusalem

Matthew 21: 1-11

Psalms 118: 1-2, 19-29

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading** Isaiah 50:4-9a

**Psalm** Psalm 31:9-16

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading** Philippians 2:5-11

**Gospel** Matthew 26:14-27:66 or Matthew 27: 11-54

### Circuit Easter Offering Service

On behalf of the Nuneaton and Coventry Methodist Circuit, you are invited to our Circuit's Easter Offering Service with Rev'd Pauline Warner.

**Date:** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023

**Time:** 6.30pm

**Venue:** Balsall Common Methodist Church

The Theme for this year's service is 'No Borders to God's Love'. **No borders to God's love** offers churches, circuits and districts a celebration of God's love and mission worldwide. It includes the dedication of the Easter Offering, all of which goes to the World Mission Fund of the Methodist Church in Britain, supporting and working with over 100 Partner Churches and organisations around the world. <https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/worship/lent-and-easter/easter-offering/>

As you receive this invitation, I hope you will be able to join us in an act of worship, sharing stories, prayers, and monetary donations.

### Taizé service

On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April, and subsequently on the first Sunday of the month, there will be an ecumenical service using the Taizé meditative approach in the Chapel of Unity at Coventry Cathedral. All are welcome – more information from Stephen Willey.

### Additional Services over Easter 2023

Wednesday 5th April		
Ridge Lane	2pm	<del>Journey to the Cross – Rev'd Keith Salter</del> This service has now been cancelled
Maundy Thursday 6th April		
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	Rev'd Clive Fowle
Radford & Holbrooks	7pm	Communion - Rev'd Doreen Koffie-Williams

Good Friday 7th April		
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

### Local Preachers' Sunday

Date: Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Time: 2pm

Venue: Coventry Central Hall

You are all 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 all of you joining this service.

### Local Lay Pastor Vacancy

Do you have a heart for Pastoral Care? Are you inspired to build on existing Pastoral Ministries and identify and explore dynamic new ways of fulfilling the pastoral life of the Church?

Coventry and Nuneaton Methodist Circuit are seeking to appoint a highly motivated and energetic individual who, guided by the Lord, in the role of Local Lay Pastor is called to support the Pastoral care for the people of the church and the wider community.

Working collaboratively with the church leadership, alongside ministers (initially at Nuneaton Methodist Church) and within the pastoral Charge of the minister you will use strong listening and inter-personal skills to support and lead the church community to develop its pastoral care and engagement.

The appointment is for a fixed period of 3 years

21 hours per week (0.6 FTE) £24,000 - £28,008 per annum pro-rata

Closing date for receipt of applications: midday Friday 28th April 2023.

Full details including Full Job Description, Person Specification and the required application form can be obtained by emailing our Circuit office [office@covnunmethodist.org.uk](mailto:office@covnunmethodist.org.uk)

### 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](mailto:kayredfern@birminghammethodist.org.uk)

25<sup>th</sup> March 2023 – Ledbury – face to face - 9.45 am registration

15<sup>th</sup> April 2023 – Cannock – St Stephens face to face - 9.45 am registration

20<sup>th</sup> April 2023 - Bishops Castle – face to face – 9.30am registration

27<sup>th</sup> April 2023 – online – 4.30pm start zoom - **FULL**

13<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – Stafford – Trinity Church – face to face – 9.45 am registration

16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 – Droitwich – face to face – 9.45am registration

24<sup>th</sup> June 2023 – Pleck – face to face – 9.45am registration

1<sup>st</sup> July 2023 – Kidderminster – face to face – 9.45 Registration

**9<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023 – Coventry Central Hall – face to face – 9.45am registration**

16<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023 – Dudley Wood – tbc

14<sup>th</sup> October 23 – Kenilworth – face to face – 9.45am registration