



Coventry & Nuneaton

METHODIST CIRCUIT

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

SAVE THE DATE

The Welcome Service for our new Superintendent, Rev'd Jill Marsh, will take place on Thursday 31st August 2023, at Bedworth Methodist Church at 7pm.

Further details will follow closer to the date.

Lectionary Readings for 30th April 2023

1st Reading [Acts 2:42-47](#)

Psalm [Psalm 23](#)

2nd Reading [1 Peter 2:19-25](#)

Gospel [John 10:1-10](#)

Sourced from <https://bible.oremus.org/>

Funeral of Mrs Ida Macnab

It is with sadness that I am informing you that Mrs Ida Macnab has passed away. Ida was the widow of Revd. Andrew Macnab, former Deputy Chair of Birmingham District.

The funeral will take place at 12 noon on Wednesday May 10th at Lichfield Methodist Church (WS13 6JJ).

Any who knew Ida are welcome, family flowers only and any kind donations made will be for CRUSE Bereavement Counselling Centre.

Coventry and Nuneaton Methodist Circuit Local Lay Pastor Vacancy – Please see attached document.

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

Ordinations 2023 – Request for volunteers

On Sunday 25th June our circuit will be hosting ordinations for both Presbyters at the cathedral and for Deacons at Central hall. I have agreed to source volunteers to help steward, help with welcome and communion, creche's (DBS checked only) and refreshments which will be possibly be held for both venues at the Central Hall. I know it is quite early but if anyone is willing to help and make this day very special, please contact Elaine Davenport at Central Hall on 024 76311359 or elainedavenport@hotmail.com. Please state if you have a preference for the Cathedral or Central hall and I will contact you nearer the time. Thank you. Elaine Davenport

Memorial Service for David Jones – Saturday 29th April 2023 at 2.30pm

There will be a memorial service for David Jones at Bedworth Methodist Church on Saturday 29th April at 2.30pm followed by refreshments.

David served his church and the Circuit in many ways throughout his adult life. As a youth leader he was dedicated to his work in Boys Brigade, Junior Church, and Youth Club. He helped to organise many circuit events for young people including trips to M.A.Y.C gatherings around the country. He was also greatly involved in the activities and work in his own church at Bedworth, later becoming a Worship Leader.

David passed away suddenly whilst on holiday with his family in Egypt and his body was interred there.

His family and church would like to remember his life with love in this way and would like to invite anyone who knew David to come along to this memorial service.

Ascension Day Service

The Circuit Ascension Day service will take place on Thursday 18th May 2023 at 7.30pm at Woodside Avenue Methodist Church.

Rev'd Jane Braund will be taking this service which will include communion. We will be delighted to welcome friends from across the Circuit to this special service.

Bedworth Methodist Church

Please come along to our Church Fair and Craft Fair on Saturday 13th May 2023 from 10am - 1pm.

There will be many varied stalls.

Tea, coffee cakes and Sausage and Bacon batches will be on sale.

Coventry Central Hall - Orchestra for an Occasion

'Music is the most communicative nonverbal direct line to the heart', and so you are invited to share in this experience by joining us at Coventry Central Hall, on Saturday 20th May at 2.30pm, when the professional Orchestra For An Occasion, will present a concert of music from films, shows and popular classics, to honour all those individual carers, organisations of all kinds and of course the NHS, who through their dedication, brought us as a nation through Covid 19. We shall also hear music and words of reflection to remember those who did not survive the ravages of the virus.

Tickets are available in advance from ticketsource.co.uk/orchestraforanoccasion and are £8, plus an additional 67p which is the commission fee charged by the supplier. If you would prefer to buy a ticket on the day at the door, the cost will be the same, and we can accept cards or cash. All ticket money will be donated to NHS Charities Together. The National Charity providing additional support for NHS Staff, Patients and Communities with their head office in Warwick.

(Please be assured that this event has no connection whatsoever with the current proposed strikes by nurses and junior doctors and has no association with the City of Culture Trust who are in administration.)

Coffee Shop Sunday Gathering

There will be a CSS Gathering on 17th June 2023, from 10am to 4pm at Warwick Road Church Centre, Warwick Row, Coventry.

There will be drama, crafts, singing and then at 6pm a quiz will take place via zoom.

All are welcome – people don't have to be CSS members to join us.

Information received from Rev'd Pauline Warner – please contact Rev'd Pauline Warner for more details.

Creative Interventions in Bereavement Care Following Pregnancy Loss: Pilot Study. Have you or your partner experienced pregnancy loss or baby loss (including miscarriage, stillbirth, or termination for medical reasons), and the loss occurred more than six months ago?

Would you be interested in taking part in a small research study about how creative writing can be used to support bereavement care following pregnancy loss and baby loss?

Foundation Safeguarding Training

We have arranged two dates for Safeguarding Foundation Training for anyone who hasn't done this training (Foundation or Foundation Refresher) **at all, or since 2019**. The dates for the training are 3rd June and 1st July 2023. The training will be held at Central Hall, Coventry at 10am on both dates. We are aiming to limit numbers to about 20 on each date.

Please can you contact your Church Safeguarding Officer if you would like to book on to one of these training dates.

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

13th May 2023 – Stafford – Trinity Church – face to face – 9.45 am registration

16th May 2023 – Droitwich – face to face – 9.45am registration

24th June 2023 – Pleck – face to face – 9.45am registration

1st July 2023 – Kidderminster – face to face – 9.45 Registration

9th Sept 2023 – Coventry Central Hall – face to face – 9.45am registration

16th Sept 2023 – Dudley Wood – tbc

14th October 23 – Kenilworth – face to face – 9.45am registration