



Coventry & Nuneaton

METHODIST CIRCUIT

Hello Circuit Contact

Here is the Circuit News for October 2024

Please send any news or events happening in your church to the Circuit Office office@covnunmethodist.org.uk

Contact details

Rev Doreen Koffie-Williams is no longer using the email address including 'zamani'

Please make sure that you delete that address and for all emails with Rev Doreen use doreen.koffie-williams@methodist.org.uk"

If you are on Facebook, please make friends with the Super! "Jill Marsh Methodist" usually finds me and it will help us to begin some social media work across the circuit.

News from around the Circuit

Places of Peace

Rev Jill Marsh invites all the circuit's churches to think and pray about what it would mean for your church to become a 'Place of Peace'.

I'd like us to develop a logo pointing out that our churches are places of peace but if we write 'Place of Peace' on the outside of our buildings, what would we be offering? What would it mean for our life and witness?

You might like to watch this very short video to reflect more <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jjpFHu2nfU>
It's not really for sharing outside the churches but you're welcome to share it with others to help your conversations.

Do get in touch about this, it is so important in these times: super@covnunmethodist.org.uk

Black History Month

Here is a prayer to begin BHM 2024. Please use and share...

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/the-inclusive-methodist-church/racial-justice/black-history-month-2024/>

and a video of that prayer https://youtu.be/_jjpFHu2nfU

Please let us know what your church has been doing to celebrate.

Circuit Meeting News

1. We have decided to enter the 'stationing process' (which decides which ministers will serve in which circuits) and are looking for a full-time replacement for Rev Stephen Willey, as he leaves Central Hall after Easter. Please keep Stephen and Kathryn, and the process for finding our next circuit minister, in your prayers.
2. All churches are invited to consider the model of Multi-Site Churches. The invitation to pray about this is attached in case your church may be interested in how it works. Please be in touch with the office if you would like to know more.

Arley Methodist Church Fun Day took place on 13th July 2024

We had a lovely day. There were about 50 visitors who enjoyed the activities.

The colouring table was popular and one of our member's granddaughter manned it (she occasionally attends on a Sunday).

Members engaged and chatted to the guests - some were regular visitors, others new to the village and others who come to join in with our events throughout the year.

Several people took a holding cross, and we have left them out in the foyer for people to take. No one asked for prayer this time. However, moving forward, I think we will start our events off with a prayer, so that people realise that God has a hand in this.

Since the event, The Hub has continued to attract new people. We have a 12-week ICT drop-in session and someone who works for MIND also drops in when his schedule allows - just to talk in general to people and offer support if needed.

For our next event, a quiz night with fish and chips, people from the community are already reserving tickets before we have advertised!

All in all, a positive experience again and re-affirmed our presence in the village.

Coventry Central Hall A Concert for Climate Change Saturday, 5th October 2024, at 1:00 PM

It would be great if the circuit could turn out to support this and show our commitment to combatting climate change and being an eco circuit. (The event is not only open to church members).

A Concert for Climate Change (Featuring, The City Of Culture Orchestra). This inspiring afternoon will feature the City of Culture Orchestra, bringing together music and environmental activism. Attendees will also hear from climate change experts, activists, and community leaders. It will be a wonderful opportunity for our church members to meet others in the community who share a passion for caring for our planet.

We kindly ask for your help in spreading the word among church members and their contacts. The concert is free, and we will be accepting donations to support sustainable water projects through our charity.

The event will take place on Saturday, 5th October 2024, at 1:00 PM, and will be honoured by the presence of the Lord Mayor of Coventry.

Please find the attached flyer for more information.

Donations will be much appreciated - (donation by QR code or cash at event).

Ade Johnson, Development Manager, Tel: 024 7622 3564 or 07879167075 www.coventrycentralhall.co.uk

Eco-Church

Good news! Lois Talbot has agreed to be our circuit's Eco-Contact and can be contacted through the Circuit Office.

So far we have contact details for Eco-Contacts from Balsall Common, Central Hall, Collycroft, Earlsdon and Nuneaton. When you have found somebody willing to be (at the least) the contact person for emails from your church please let Jane know at the office and she'll put you in touch with Lois. Our new circuit eco-policy can now be found on the circuit's website.

The next Great Green Gathering will be on Sat. 25th Jan, 4 - 5 pm on Zoom. Link to follow later but please book the date.

Information received from The Connexional Office and District Office

Eco Community - Rosie Bryant, the Connexional Learning and Development Officer

“With the support of the Action for Hope; Justice Seeking Church; Evangelism & Growth; and the Climate Change Priority Collaboration Group, we are launching an Eco Community (Community of Practice). We hope this will offer the support and signposting needed to encourage individuals and churches to be more eco-friendly. It is a minefield out there; how do we know what's greenwash and what's *really* green? How can a church work towards net zero or eco church when money is tight? How can we worship alongside God's blue and green world? How do we become a Justice Seeking Church for *all* things, not just for humans?

How bamboozling it can be! So, it would be great if you could share the news with your District and let interested parties know (church/circuit stewards, justice group leaders etc....). We hope this will be a space where people can hear from guest speakers, and exchange ideas, resources, and enthusiasm.

The dates of the first three Eco Community gatherings are 12 November, 10 February and 13 May, all at 7pm. The joining link is [here](#).

For more details, contact [Siggy Parratt-Halbert](#)

Part-time Administrator post Herefordshire Methodist Circuit

Church & Circuit Administrator (Full-time) Herefordshire (South & East) Methodist Circuit – full advert attached
We are seeking an experienced part time Administrator who will be working 14 hours a week (56 hours a month) to support our Circuit and Methodist Church in Ledbury. On offer is a salary of £10,920 per year (£15 per hour) and the opportunity for home or office-based working based at our Meeting Centre at the Ledbury Methodist Church, please note this role will require you to attend meetings at our Church & Meeting Centre in Ledbury as required. As the Church & Circuit Administrator, you will be helping to develop and oversee the day-

to-day administration of the South and East Herefordshire Circuit communication and office functions. The flexibility for home-based / hybrid or office-based working in Ledbury. To find out more, register your interest or apply please either call us on 01905 795531, email jvmorriss@aol.com.

Christian Resources Exhibition

Next month, for the first time in our 40-year history, the [Christian Resources Exhibition](#) comes to your area. More than 150 church-facing organisations will be at the Marshall Arena, Milton Keynes (9-10 Oct 2024), displaying everything from clergy clothing to contactless donation apps, heating to seating, career opportunities to Christmas gifts. A full list of exhibitors can be viewed [here](#).

A series of more than [40 talks and presentations](#) will offer you expert advice on fund raising, faith sharing, bereavement support, social media, church security – and much, much more.

We would love you to join us! And with this in mind a FREE ticket is attached.

Please share this with your colleagues and congregation or let them have the code JB24 (at the bottom of the free ticket) to enter as the discount code in the [online payment page](#). This also allows them a free ticket to the exhibition (£8 on the door).

You can print the ticket, or use the code JB24, as many times as you like. And it's valid for both days.

The churches that benefit most from CRE, bring a team. We encourage you to do the same next month and look forward to seeing you in Milton Keynes.

Tamworth & Lichfield Methodist Circuit

Following the Closure for worship of Glascote Methodist Church the following items are available free of charge to any church who is willing to collect.

- 1) Electronic organ
- 2) Radio microphone set - one lapel and one hand-held, along with chargers, antennae, and control box/amplifier.
- 3) CD Player
- 4) Hearing Loop system

If anyone is interested, please do contact Gill Woolf Circuit Administrator. churchoffice.tamlich@gmail.com