

## DIARY

Please let me know of any errors or omissions. *Don*

2018

October

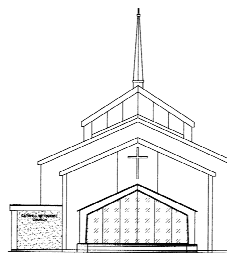
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Thurs 11th	10.00 am	Rendezvous: Film morning
	6.30 pm	Men's Choir
	7.00 pm	Choir Practice
Fri 12th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC
Sat 13th		50th Anniversary Weekend
	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC
	<b>6.30 pm</b>	Quiz with light supper - see notices
Sun 14th	10.30 am	Rev Anne Smith: Mission Praise: Church Anniversary. Cooked lunch together
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	<b>Anniversary Evening Service on the Car Park led by Rev Anne Smith</b>
Mon 15th	7.00 pm	Prayer for Catshill, at the Baptist Church - see notices
Tues 16th	10.00 am	Prayer Meeting in the Porch
	7.30 pm	Church Council meeting in the Church
Wed 17th	1.00 pm	Toddlers' Club (ends 3.00 pm)
Thurs 18th	7.00 pm	Choir Practice
Fri 19th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC
Sat 20th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC
Sun 21st	10.30 am	Mr James Knott: All-age Worship JMA Awards presented
	6.00 pm	Rev Stephen Levett & Ms Rachel Leather at Bromsgrove
Wed 24th	1.00 pm	Toddlers' Club (ends 3.00 pm)
Thurs 25th	10.00 am	Rendezvous: Growing up in the Black Country
	10.30 am	MWiB District Meeting at Erdington Methodist Church
	1.45 pm	Speaker at this meeting Rev Keith Salter - see notices

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## Welcome To Catshill Methodist Church Centre

Notices for 7th October 2018

**Worship God   Welcome everyone   Serve the Community**  
**Be a strong loving Christian presence in our community as we-**  
**Serve the community of Catshill and beyond.**

If you have recently moved into the area or are visiting, we welcome you. Our minister is Rev Anne Smith (tel: 570437).

If you would like a visit from a minister, or know of someone who would appreciate a visit, please contact one of the stewards.

**10.00 am - 10.20 am Prayer Meeting in the Lounge: All welcome**

Preachers:	10.30 am	Rev Anne Smith: Communion
		Gifts for the Basement will be received
	6.00 pm	Ms Jackie Hartrey at Bromsgrove
Organist:	10.30 am	Judith Brown
Worship Leader:	10.30 am	Ian Jones
Stewards:	10.30 am	Dave Morgan & Jim Smith
Vestry Steward:	10.30 am	Rita Lacey
Screen:	10.30 am	John Lacey
Door Steward:	10.30 am	Betty Beckett
Sunday Club:	10.30 am	Gillian Stuart & Heather Wright
Crèche:	10.30 am	Brenda Tristram & James Knott
Flowers:		Brenda Tristram
Sound:	10.30 am	Jim Smith
Tea/Coffee:	~11.30 am	Angela & Ian Jones
Traidcraft:	~11.30 am	The Blundell Family

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

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	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC with singing! Under discussion
	<b>6.30 pm</b>	Quiz with light supper - see notices

Collections last Sunday totalled £143.60, including £106.00 from the envelopes. Giving by direct debit was £321.00.

\* If you know of anyone who would value our prayers, please write his or her name in the Intercessions Book in the Porch (assuming you have their permission for them to be prayed for publicly), AND add your name after the entry.

### **WORSHIP SUNDAY 14th October: 50th Anniversary**

#### **10.00 am - 10.20 am Prayer Meeting in the Lounge: All welcome**

Preachers:	10.30 am	Rev Anne Smith: Mission Praise: Church Anniversary
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	Rev Anne Smith: on the Car Park
Organist:	10.30 am	Helen Blundell
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	James Knott
Worship Leader:	10.30 am	Angela Jones
Stewards:	10.30 am	Brenda Tristram & Di Morgan
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	Sue Yarrington
Vestry Steward:	10.30 am	Eileen Kirby
Screen:	10.30 am	Helen Lynskey
Door Steward:	10.30 am	Carole Trigger
	<b>4.00 pm</b>	Jan Martin
Flowers:		Sheila Collins
Sound:	10.30 am	Alan Ryder
Tea/Coffee:	~11.30 am	Hilary Ryder & Jan Martin

### ***Church Cleaning***

I have been informed that our contract cleaners are closing their business and will no longer be able to clean our premises.

It will take some time to arrange a new cleaning contract so I would be grateful if people could be aware of this and ensure that any areas are tidied up after use. Many thanks

*Ian Jones*

### ***Notice to all JMA Collectors***

Our annual awards service will take place on Sunday 21st October at 10.30 am. The awards will be presented by our Family Worker, Mr James Knott.

Please do your best to be at this service to support our young people. Will collectors please wear your JMA badges!

Thank you,

*Carole Trigger*  
JMA Secretary

{Please see another item, from James, about the JMA service, on another page of these notices}

### ***50th Anniversary Celebrations***

As part of our celebratory weekend on 13th and 14th October, we would like to display some memorabilia of the Church from the last 50 years. We would especially like to use the small bricks and black crosses which were bought as part of the building fund for the Hall extension. If you could lend us these, please put a label on the bottom, with your name on, and bring them to the Coffee Shop on Friday 12th or Saturday 13th October.

If you have any other memorabilia which could be displayed eg booklets or leaflets and other small items, please bring these as well. We do not need photographs, as these will already be on posters, which will be on display from Sunday 30th.

Please speak to Lindsay or Carole if you need further clarification on this.

Many thanks.

### ***Prayer for Catshill***

The next time of Prayer for Catshill, for which we join with other Christians in Catshill, will be on Monday 15th October at 7.00 pm at the Baptist Church. Please make every effort to attend. The meeting lasts for about an hour.

### ***Knitted Angels***

Please keep knitting – we need at least 500 before December 1st. Patterns available in the Vestry.

Thank you.

*Anne*

### ***Posters in the Church***

You will see that posters of the Church History over the last 50 years are now on display for you to look at and reminisce.

You are invited to sign your name on the poster if you became involved in our church between the years 2006 - 2010 and between 2011 - 2018.

There are special pens on the side table on the RIGHT hand side of the church (looking at the Cross).

Thank you

*Carole*

### ***Book of Remembrance***

This week, from our Book of Remembrance, we remember

***Connie Trigger***

### ***CTiB praying for each other***

**Please pray for** The Salvation Army and Vera Jones

### **Collect for today**

God of the living law,  
whose will is to protect the weak  
and educate our desires:  
may we learn from you  
not to dominate or put aside  
but to give each other dignity  
and find in you our unity;  
through Jesus Christ, who makes us one household.

**Amen**

### ***Roy Wilkes***

It is with sadness that we announce the death of Roy Wilkes on Sunday 23rd September. Roy was a lifelong member of the Church and was the first child registered in our current Baptismal Register. He is fondly remembered as an encouraging Sunday School Teacher and an accomplished pianist and organist. He was always cheerful and had a wonderful smile.

His Thanksgiving Service will take place at Church at 12.30 pm on Wednesday 10th October.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Ruby, Alan, Anita, Peter and all Roy's family.

*Anne*



A Letter from the Manse October 2018

Dear Friends,

Our celebration year is almost complete. We look forward to the weekend of the 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> with the Quiz on Saturday and the celebration day on Sunday. Hopefully it will be a fitting climax to the 50<sup>th</sup> year of the new building. The worship area of the church has begun to tell the story and we thank Carole and Lindsay who have prepared the posters.

I would like to thank all those who have worked tirelessly to make the year all that it has been. A small group of people got together and came up with ideas and started the planning but it has taken the whole church to get behind those ideas and bring them to fruition. A big thank you to all those who have helped in anyway, every effort has been appreciated. Thank you.

So now we look forward to the next 50 years. We have some questions to ask ourselves as we go forward, for things will not stay the same. Perhaps those questions begin with, "What should we continue to do or is there anything we should stop doing?". The stopping question is a difficult one for we all like things to stay the same. But "nothing changes here" must not be our watchword. Trey Hall, who was the District's Mission Adviser, posed a question that went something like this "If we continue doing what we are doing now, who are we not reaching with the Gospel message?". That question sticks with me. Perhaps we ought to consider that, as we also affirm what we are doing and who we are reaching.

I believe that Catshill Methodist Church consists of dynamic, vibrant, faithful people who want to and do serve the God they know in Jesus. This Jesus calls us on, he goes ahead of us. We have to continue to discover where he is calling us and join him there.

The idea we have of putting Christmas angels around the village I think serves to bless the people who find them, helps us to engage in a prayerful activity as we are knitting and labelling them or when we put them around the village and shows the village that we are a caring community. It is a new initiative that has been proven elsewhere.

So we move on and we do so with faith in the God who calls us on and we remember Joseph Hart's words,

'Tis Jesus, the first and the last,  
whose Spirit shall guide us safe home;  
we'll praise him for all that is past,  
and trust him for all that's to come.

God bless you all,  
*Anne*

### ***50th Anniversary: Summary of Sunday's events***

- 10.30 am Anniversary Morning Service - details in the rota
- 11.45 am Hot or cold drinks after the service
- 12.30 pm Lunch is served in the Hall
- 2.30 pm Withdraw to the Church Coffee Bar for a piece of Anniversary Celebration Cake
- 4.00 pm Closing Worship in the car park (to mirror the opening service held in the car park in 2017 at the start of our anniversary year)

### ***Church Council***

The next Church Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 16th October at 7.30 pm in the Church.

*Hilary*

### ***Macmillan coffee morning***

Thanks to all who helped and supported our Macmillan coffee morning. We will be sending a donation of £300 to this very worthwhile charity.

Thanks again,

*Coffee Shop Committee*

### ***JMA: October 21st***

I will be privileged to lead our JMA service this year, to include the presentation of awards from money collected over the last twelve months.

As part of the service we will look at JMA over the years and I would like anyone who has any past memorabilia of JMA, maybe old badges, collecting books, etc. to bring them along so a display of these can be made through the service, and I think this will hopefully tie in with our 50th Anniversary year of looking back, but also forward too.

Also, if I can ask that people bring pennies to the service: I don't want to give too much away but all will be revealed on the 21st! Every blessing, and I look forward to hearing from people.

*James*

### ***Quiz with Light Supper***

As part of the 50th Anniversary Celebration Weekend, there will be a Quiz, with a Soup and Crusty Bread Supper, plus Sweet, on Saturday Evening 13th October starting at **6.30 pm**. Tickets only £4.00 with proceeds going to 'All We Can'.

Please get your tickets from Tricia or Brenda, and join us in a fun evening.

[Please note: the time on the tickets that have been sold to date have the wrong time - it should be **6.30 pm!** **Please change it!**]

### ***Young at Heart - The Magic of Photography***

Come along on 9th October and see the magical pictures from the lens of very talented John Lacey. "Seeing is believing" is an old saying but you really have to see his pictures because if I tried to describe them you would not believe what I am telling you. Usual subs and light refreshments, and a warm welcome to everyone.

*Gladys Hatton 876846*

### ***Clothing for Refugees***

Thank you for your wonderful response to the request for items to be sent to help refugees in Europe. Thank you, too, for the care taken with washing, and ironing many of these items, so that they are ready to wear.

They have been taken to The Bridge Church in Redditch and are now at the "People in Motion" Centre in Worcester, where they are sorted. Within the next few weeks they will be on their way to be distributed to Refugee Camps in France and Greece.

We may feel that there is little we can do to help people in this unfortunate situation, but this is one way we CAN make a difference to someone!

Many thanks,

*Carole*

### ***Methodist Women***

The next MWiB meetings are :

DISTRICT MEETING - Thursday **25th October** at Erdington Methodist Church 10.30 am - 11.00 am. [Please note that the Speaker had to change the date, from 18th as published last week.]

At 1.45 pm the Speaker will be Rev Keith Salter, who will be speaking about "Doing Bird" - work in Prison Chaplaincy.

Please bring a packed lunch.  
All are welcome.

CIRCUIT MWiB - Our next meeting will be at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 23rd October at Bromsgrove.

The Speaker will be our District President, Mrs Christine Temple. She will be speaking about her work as a Children's Nurse at Great Ormond Street Hospital and the collection will go to the Circuit MWiB President's charity for her project at Great Ormond Street Hospital.

Everybody is welcome and there will be a Bring and Buy.

*Carole*

### ***Poster in the Porch***

- Circuit MWiB Autumn Meeting at Bromsgrove Centre (see note above)