

DIARY

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

2019

April

Sun 14th	10.30 am	Mrs Chris Roberts
Palm Sun	6.00 pm	Rev Anne Smith: Healing Service, Communion
Tues 16th	10.00 am	Prayer Group in the Porch
Thurs 18th	10.30 am	Knitting and Crafts Group (ends 12.00 pm)
	6.30 pm	Men's Choir
	7.30 pm	Maundy Hand Washing & Communion
Fri 19th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:
	10.00 am	Good Friday Service at Lickey End
	12.00 pm	Good Friday Lunch of soup, rolls, hot cross buns at Catshill, see notices
	1.00 pm	Good Friday Service at Catshill
	7.30 pm	Reflective Service at Bromsgrove
Sat 20th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:
Sun 21st	10.30 am	Rev Anne Smith: Communion
Easter	6.00 pm	Local Arrangement at Bromsgrove
Thurs 25th	10.00 am	Rendezvous: Age of Steam, Dave Morgan
	6.30 pm	Men's Choir
Fri 26th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:
Sat 27th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:
	6.00 pm	Quiz with a Faggots and Peas supper.
Sun 28th	10.30 am	Mrs Jackie Russell: All-age Worship
	6.00 pm	Rev Tony Perry
Tues 30th	10.00 am	Prayer Group in the Porch
	2.30 pm	Carers Group in the Porch (until 4.00 pm)
	7.00 pm	Food for Thought, Fellowship Group

May

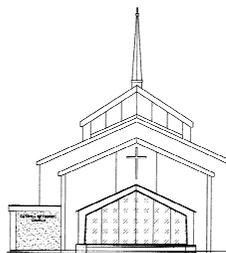
Wed 1st	1.00 pm	Toddlers' Club (ends 3.00 pm)
Thurs 2nd	10.30 am	Knitting and Crafts Group (ends 12.00 pm)
	6.30 pm	Men's Choir
	7.00 pm	The Choir rehearsal
Fri 3rd	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:

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Notices to Don Cook by 5.00 pm on Thursdays please.

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Welcome To Catshill Methodist Church Centre

Notices 14th April 2019
Palm Sunday

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	Mrs Chris Roberts
	6.00 pm	Rev Anne Smith: Healing Service, Communion
Organists:	10.30 am	Judith Brown
	6.00 pm	James Knott
Worship Leader:	10.30 am	Elizabeth Hilderley
Stewards:	10.30 am	Brenda Tristram & Bob Martin
	6.00 pm	Lindsay Peniston
Vestry Steward:	10.30 am	Don Cook
Screen:	10.30 am	John Lacey
Door Steward:	10.30 am	Betty Beckett
Sunday Club:	10.30 am	Gillian Stuart & Lyn Andrews
Crèche:	10.30 am	Angela Jones
Flowers:		Gillian Stuart
Sound:	10.30 am	Bob Martin
Tea/Coffee:	~11.30 am	Carole Trigger & Ruby Wilkes

ACTIVITIES this week

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* Collections last Sunday totalled £161.02, including £31.00 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 21st April: Easter Day

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

Preachers:	10.30 am	Rev Anne Smith: Communion
	6.00 pm	Local Arrangement at Bromsgrove
Organists:	10.30 am	James Knott
Worship Leader:	10.30 am	Ian Jones
Stewards:	10.30 am	Dave Morgan & Di Morgan
Vestry Steward:	10.30 am	Jan Martin
Screen:	10.30 am	Elizabeth Hilderley
Door Steward:	10.30 am	Sheila Collins
Crèche:	10.30 am	Lyn Andrews & Helen Lynskey
Flowers:		Members of the Congregation for Easter
Sound:	10.30 am	Martin Tingle
Tea/Coffee:	~11.30 am	Brenda Tristram & Tricia Shephard

Good Friday Lunch at 12.00 pm

Friends,
If you are hoping to come to the simple lunch of soup, rolls and hot cross buns on Good Friday, it would be helpful, but not essential, if you could sign the sheet on the notice board in the Porch.
Many thanks,

Angela Jones

Street Pastors / Prayer Pastors

The group does some really excellent work on the streets of Bromsgrove on Friday nights, helping to protect the vulnerable and sometimes taking the opportunity to share something of the Christian faith. The taxis, door staff and police really appreciate the difference that Street Pastors have made in the last seven years providing a non-judgmental calming presence.

The group desperately needs both Street Pastors who patrol armed with flip flops and lollipops, and Prayer Pastors who stay in the warm, next to a kettle and a bible.

My daughters sometimes go clubbing with friends and I'd like to think that if they were being hassled by a guy, perhaps after they had had a drink too many, there would be a Street Pastor to help them dump the guy, drink some water, swap their heels for flip flops, and get them into a taxi and back home safely.

But for Bromsgrove, all this could end soon.

On several occasions recently no patrol has been possible because of a shortage of volunteers.

Could you help?

The patrols usually last from 10 pm to 4 am and if you could possibly spare even a few hours to join us on the street or in prayer, it could make the difference between a patrol being cancelled or stepping out. Jan Martin is a Street Pastor and Martin Tingle is a Prayer Pastor. Please speak to either of them about either role.

Church Without Walls activity 1 - Art exhibition

The art exhibition - entitled "Proud of Catshill" - is planned for Friday & Saturday June 7th & 8th between 10 am and 12 pm, and between 2 pm and 4 pm, both days. We are hoping to have the coffee shop open for all 4 sessions but also need at least one volunteer to act as the "receptionist" - basically to welcome people, explain what's where (e.g. non regulars might need to be told about where the loo is etc) and hand out (and receive back) voting forms for the exhibits. I will put a schedule on the notice board with one hour slots - if anyone willing to volunteer can sign up (you can volunteer for more than one slot!) it would be greatly appreciated.

Church Without Walls activity 2 - Midsummer Madness

The village hall are putting on a "Midsummer Madness" event in the hall on Saturday 22nd June . We have agreed to have a stall selling cakes, any bric-a-brac we have left over from the last "bring and buy" (at this stage we are not asking for any more - we already have enough!) and giving out church leaflets. We don't have timings yet but if you are willing to make a cake, or cakes, please speak to Lindsay, and if you are willing to help man the stall for an hour or so, please speak to me and I will organise a rota once we have more details. Thanks,

Dave

MWiB District Quiet Day - "The Water of Life"

There will be an MWiB Quiet Day on Saturday 4th May at Woodbrook Quaker Study Centre, Bristol Road, Selly Oak B29 6LJ. It will run from 10.00 am to 3.30 pm and will be led by the MWiB Connexional President Sandra Goodwin.

Cost £32.50 to include Coffee, Lunch and Tea and cake in the afternoon.

If you would like to go with us, please book your place by sending a cheque for £32.50, payable to Birmingham District MWiB, to Mrs Ann Craddock, The Meadows Cottage, Lichfield Road, Edial, Lichfield WS7 0HU.

This should be a lovely day out - a treat for yourselves!

See poster in the porch.

Carole

Book of Remembrance

This week, from our Book of Remembrance, we remember

Nancy Healey

CTiB praying for each other

Please pray for Gracechurch and
Ben Bevins, Steve Vincent & Jonathan Coleman

Collect for Today

Lord of the swaying palms,
the stones of earth
and beasts of burden
bear witness to your coming:
lead us from the violence of empire
and the collusion of crowds
to a heart of flesh,
a world re-made
and new song for all creation;
through Jesus Christ, the Crucified God.

Amen

Easter Sunday

Please bring your flowers between 10.00 am & 12.00 pm on Saturday, 20th April to decorate the Church. We look forward to making a colourful display.

Tricia

Birmingham Passion Play

This is an exciting new venture for Birmingham! A live, local, contemporary retelling of the extraordinary Easter story. This will involve a diverse team of community actors and musicians alongside Saltmine Theatre Company. Beginning at 12:30 pm on 16th, 17th and 18th of April they will process from Birmingham Bullring to St Philip's Cathedral, finishing at about 2.00 pm each day. It's free, no ticket necessary, all are welcome.

Easter Offering

The annual Easter Offering envelopes are currently being given out, for handing in over the Easter period.

Easter Offering is a joint partnership with MWiB (Methodist Women in Britain) and the Methodist Church World Mission Fund.

The WMF helps to support Mission Partners working overseas, nationals in mission appointments, and overseas students in ministry training.

It also allows the church to make grants to Partner Churches for special projects.

The Circuit dedication service for the Easter Offerings will be held on Sunday 19th May at 6.00 pm at St Andrew's Methodist Church, Church Hill, Redditch B98 9AA and the Guest Speaker will be Ms Rachel Leather. Everyone is most welcome to come and enjoy this special service.

Carole

Twinning visit with Kadoma District, Methodist Church of Zimbabwe, 10th May – 20th May 2019

Eight friends from Zimbabwe will be visiting the Birmingham District in May.

The District is still looking for:

- ◆ Hosts who could accommodate two people for 5 days
- ◆ Invitations to take part in worship on Sunday 12th May and the morning of Sunday 19th
- ◆ People to offer transport for some trips (e.g. to Bristol and the Welsh Coast)
- ◆ Invitations to experience something of the culture and church life of the District mid-week

If you can help, please contact the District office on 0121 449 0131 or 07517 215297 during office hours: 9.30 am – 3.30 pm Tuesday to Friday.

There will be a District Celebration on 19th May at 3pm at Stockland Green Methodist Church, 2 Stockland Road, Birmingham B23 7ET. Come and celebrate together in lively multicultural worship!

There will be a poster in the Porch.

Food Safety

The Church Council has taken advice from the Food Standards Agency. We are still able to provide home-made cakes and food for events we organise on the premises. There are 14 recognised food allergens, some of which you might find surprising. Therefore all ingredients in home-made food that is brought to the church premises must be noted and a form should be filled in. You can get a copy of a leaflet about the allergens from the coffee bar. There is also a form with tick-boxes to fill in if you are likely to bring food to the premises. The tick-boxes highlight which allergens might be in the food so that those who have allergies can act accordingly.

You can make a photocopy of the ingredients in a recipe or bring the recipe books to photocopy at church. You can also write down the ingredients (including any tinned or dried goods you might mix in). Please ask someone at the coffee bar if you would like a leaflet and a form. Thank you.

Lindsay Peniston
(for Church Council)

Maundy Thursday 18th April

Lickey End: 6.00 pm Simple Supper including Communion

Catshill: 7.30 pm Maundy Hand Washing & Communion

On Maundy Thursday evening the Communion Service at 7.30 pm will include handwashing. This is based on the principle of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples but is easier on a practical level with modern styles of clothes. Everyone present will be invited to have their hands washed and some that wish may have the opportunity to wash others' hands. Naturally washing and being washed is optional for those present and no one will be coerced or pressured into participating. Quietly watching is acceptable and worthwhile in itself. If you intend coming and think you would like your hands washed, then please wear clothes with sleeves that can easily be pulled or rolled back.

Richard Wilde