

DIARY

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

2019

April

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

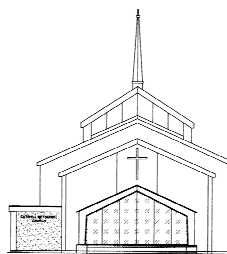
Wed 1st	1.00 pm	Toddlers' Club (ends 3.00 pm)
Thurs 2nd	10.30 am	Knitting and Crafts Group (ends 12.00 pm)
	6.30 pm	Men's Choir
	7.00 pm	The Choir rehearsal
Fri 3rd	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:
Sat 4th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:
Sun 5th	10.30 am	Rev Julia M Pellett
		Gifts for the Basement will be received
	6.00 pm	Rev Richard Wilde at Bromsgrove
Wed 8th	1.00 pm	Toddlers' Club (ends 3.00 pm)
Thurs 9th	10.00 am	Rendezvous: AGM, followed by
		Being a Coach Driver, Robert Trigger
	6.30 pm	Men's Choir
	7.00 pm	The Choir rehearsal
Fri 10th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:
Sat 11th	10.00 am	Coffee@CMCC:
Sun 12th	10.30 am	Ms Marcianne Uwimana
	6.00 pm	Mr Graeme Russell

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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 21st April 2019
Easter Day

Worship God Welcome everyone Serve the Community
Be a strong loving Christian presence in our community as we:-
Worship God, know Jesus and be witnesses of God's love and
grace by the power of the Holy Spirit.

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
	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

ACTIVITIES this week

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	6.00 pm	Quiz with a Faggots and Peas supper

- * Collections last Sunday totalled £133.80, including £76.00 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 28th April:

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

Preachers:	10.30 am	Mrs Jackie Russell: All-age Worship
	6.00 pm	Rev Tony Perry
Organists:	10.30 am	James Knott
	6.00 pm	Judith Brown
Worship Leader:	10.30 am	Sheila Collins
Stewards:	10.30 am	Lindsay Peniston & Pete Yarrington
	6.00 pm	Brenda Tristram
Vestry Steward:	10.30 am	Gillian Stuart
Screen:	10.30 am	Alan Ryder
Door Steward:	10.30 am	Sue Yarrington
Crèche:	10.30 am	Tricia Shepheard & Pat Eley
Flowers:		Elizabeth Hilderley
Sound:	10.30 am	Pete Yarrington
Tea/Coffee:	~11.30 am	Hilary Ryder & Jan Martin

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.

Refujuice

You are now aware that Refugee families from Syria are now living in the Bromsgrove and Redditch areas. As a way of making an income to help support themselves, they have been given the opportunity to make their own apple juice to sell to the public. They do this by gleaning apples from the large commercial orchards in Gloucestershire. The apples are then taken to Pershore Agricultural College, where they are made into apple juice, under supervision from the College and under the strictest rules for food production.

The resulting juice is top quality and made to last two years. It costs £3.00 per bottle (less than a bottle of wine) and 100% of the profit goes to support the local Refugee families and the Refugee camps in Europe.

It has been agreed that we can sell this delicious healthy juice on the first Sunday of the month - our Fair Trade Sunday.

I will have some bottles for sale on Sunday 5th May so, as you buy your Fair Trade food, please also treat yourself to Refujuice.

I have put a poster on the noticeboard.

Thank you,

Carole

Rota

I shall shortly be compiling the rota for June, July and August.

Please could I have any unavailable dates no later than 28th April.

Many thanks,

Jan

Future events in the Circuit

Caroline (at Circuit Office) asks each month for any monthly events to be advertised throughout the circuit to be sent to her. If you are organising an event, and want the circuit to know, please remember to send details to Circuit Office. Thanks.

Book of Remembrance

This week, from our Book of Remembrance, we remember

James & Elsie Howard

CTiB praying for each other

Please pray for All Saints, Bromsgrove
Rev Sue Humphries & Church Wardens

Collect for Today

Lord of the dawn,
revealed to women of courage
and men of doubt:
take us from the empty places
where death holds power
to the rising of your love
as light for all the world;
in Jesus Christ, the Resurrection and the Life.

Amen

Clothing Collection for Refugees

There will be another clothing collection for Refugees in Calais and the Continent on Saturday 4th May.

If you have items that you wish to donate, including shoes (robust), rucksacks, sun hats, blankets and sleeping bags and hygiene items, please put them in the large box near the window in the porch.

Thank you,

Carole

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.

More Advanced Safeguarding Courses have been arranged:

Advanced Course at Erdington MC on Tuesday 21st May 2019 (limited spaces available)

Advanced Course at Blackheath Central MC on Saturday 22nd June 2019 , 10-3pm

Advanced Course at Solihull MC on Tuesday 10th September 2019, 10-3pm

Advanced Course at Ross-on-Wye on Saturday 16th November 2019 , 10-3pm

Advanced Course at Kenilworth MC on Saturday 8th Feb 2020, 10-3pm (please note the change of date as previously advertised)

If you still need to attend the Advanced Course, please book with Sue Holder birminghamsafeguarding@birminghammethodist.org.uk
Many thanks,

Caroline

PLEASE check the date that your last Safeguarding training was undertaken.

You now have to update every FOUR years. If it is any consolation, or will give you a boost to check, mine was up last year and I had not noticed until I was asked to show my DBS Certificate ,which was also out of date!

You do have to book early. There are many folk around the District having to catch up as the time lapse changed from five years to four last year and has caught people out.

Sheila

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

Advance Notice Christine Aid Sale and Church Spring Clean Saturday 18th May 9.30 am till 12.30pm

Friends,

As usual we will be supporting Christian Aid with a coffee morning in the church which will include bacon and egg sandwiches, and a bring and buy and plant stall.

All the proceeds will be for Christian Aid.

The management committee have also agreed to organise a spring clean of our premises and grounds, excluding the church, at the same time. So if you can spare a little time to help in this you can be rewarded with bacon butties!

Please try and reserve this date.

Ian Jones

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)

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