


*Worship... Service ... Witness ... in the name of Jesus*

# Beckminster Welcomes You

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
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## What's On This Week....

**Monday 4 November**  
**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**  
9.00am - 4.00pm District Meeting  
9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group  
11.00am Coffee Mates at Farmer and Friends  
(See Notices)  
1.30pm Pastoral Meeting  
2.00 - 4.00pm Art Group  
6.15 - 7.45pm Brownies  
6.30 - 8.00pm Cubs

**Tuesday 5 November**  
**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed**  
9.45 - 11.15am Toddlers  
1.30 - 4.30pm Art Group  
5.15 - 6.15pm Dinky Divas  
7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga Group

**Wednesday 6 November**  
**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**  
11.30am - 3.00pm Luncheon Club  
5.45 - 6.45pm Rainbows  
7.00 - 9.00pm Scouts  
7.30 - 9.30pm Happy Feet Dance

**Thursday 7 November**  
**9.00am - 3.30pm Office Open**  
9.00am Circuit Staff Meeting  
9.45 - 11.15am Toddlers  
2.00 - 4.00pm Take a Break  
7.00 - 9.00pm St. Johns Ambulance

**Friday 8 November**  
**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**  
3.30 - 5.45pm Messy Church  
7.00 - 9.00pm Gateway

**Saturday 9 November**

## Worship and Fellowship 3 November 2019 Ordinary 31

Collect for the Day

**To ponder and pray** .....  
Almighty God, you have knit together  
your chosen people in one communion  
and fellowship in the mystical body of  
your Son Christ our Lord. Give us grace  
so to follow your blessed saints in all  
virtuous and godly living that we may  
come to those inexpressible joys which  
you have prepared for those who love  
you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**Come and join us next  
Sunday, 10 November 2019  
Ordinary 32 -**

**Remembrance Sunday  
10.30am Morning Worship  
with Parade  
led by Rev. Dr. Paul Nzacahayo  
6.00pm Holy Communion  
led by Rev. Teddy Siwila**

**10.30am Local Arrangement Service  
led by Mrs Christine Pearson**

**Insiders and Outsiders**

Welcome

**STF 103 God is Love:**

Prayer and the Lord's Prayer - Brian Timmis

The Story adapted from "The Broomworthy Family",  
A Tale of Our Times by Lynn Morris - Christine Pearson

**STF 409 Let us build a house where love can dwell**

Blessing for the Children

Introduction of Peggy Heim

Reading: Ruth 1: 1 - 19 read by Barbara Smith

Peggy Heim

**STF 673 Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?**

Reading: Luke 15: 11 - 32 read by Rita Powell

Introduction of Mick Caddick

**STF 672 Where can we find you, Lord Jesus our Master?**

Prayers of Intercession - Hazel Graham

Collection and Prayer

**STF 662 Have you heard God's voice;**

Grace Together

**Your Refreshments  
Team today are:  
Hazel Graham &  
Jean Gilbride**

**We Welcome You to Worship Today**

If you are here for the first time, please make yourself known to those around you, or to one of the Stewards or Minister. You may like to sign the visitors book in the foyer.

Our fellowship will continue after morning worship with tea and coffee served in the Coffee Bar.

A number of resources have been prepared to help us study and consult on the report.

The Methodist Church website has the report, study guide and other helpful articles include a prayer guide.

James Peterson, one of our circuit stewards, has gone to great lengths to make an audio version available. (Thank you James!)

However we engage in conversation, whichever way we approach the contents of the report, I pray that our conferring will be grace-filled and we remember that famous saying of John Wesley: though we cannot think alike, may we not love alike? May we not be of one heart, though we are not of one opinion? Without all doubt, we may.

In fellowship  
Rev. Chris Collins

**Beckminster's Meeting on this subject will be held on Wednesday, 22 January 2020 at 7.00pm. Please put the date in your diary.**

## God in Love Unites Us

During this church year, all Methodist people are being invited to join conversations to study and consult on the report to the 2019 Methodist Conference called "God in Love Unites Us" which was presented by the Marriage and Relationships Task Group. Conversations will be happening at various locations around our Circuit and at the February Circuit Meeting and I really want to encourage you to take part.

It is easy to think that the report is all about same-sex marriage. The report and resolutions do include that but a lot more besides. The report firstly considers where relationships fit into our understanding of what is to be human and how we are created as relational beings leading to a discussion of what God has in mind for good relationships. The report then continues to consider this in the context of the Christian character of marriage and how it relates to the legal institution of marriage and considers extending our practice of marriage to include same-sex couples. The report concludes by thinking about how we can live together as one church while recognising our different convictions. Within all of this the report also considers areas such as what we do when marriages end, co-habitation, civil partnerships and singleness.

As many of you know I have been a regular member of Conference as this report has progressed. I have been deeply moved by the commitment, grace and love shown in our discussions. Great care has been taken to move away from a polemical argument to one in which we can learn from each other and move forward together as a church. The purpose of our local conversations is not to present "sides" in the debate, but to study the report and its recommendations, to learn from each other and hold each other in love finding the grace of God between us.

**THE BECKMINSTER YOUTH GROUP** will continue to run throughout the year on a monthly basis and the next one is **TODAY** Sunday, 3 November 2019 at 6.00pm at 3 Pentland Gardens.

**TAKE A BREAK.** Take a Break are living up to their name and doing just that for 3 weeks. The next meeting is on Thursday, 7 November 2 till 4pm. A warm welcome to anyone who is interested in coming along to give carpet bowling a try. No previous experience necessary.

**COFFEE MATES** next meeting at 11.00am on Monday, 4 November at Farmer and Friends, Bridgnorth Road, WV6 7EZ. Come along for excellent company and good coffee. June.

**WHITE PEACE POPPIES** are available to buy at £1 each in the office at Darlington Street, which is still open and will be until at least the end of January.

**CODSALL DRAMATIC SOCIETY** presents Snow White at Codsall Village Hall on the following dates and tickets are priced at £6.00.

Thursday, 28 November and Friday, 29 November at 7.30pm

Saturday, 30 November at 2.30pm and 6.30pm

Thursday 5 December and Friday, 6 December at 7.30pm

Saturday, 7 December at 2.30pm and 6.30pm.

For further details see Notice Boards.

**CHURCH ALIVE CHRISTMAS MEAL** will take place on Saturday, 7 December 2019 starting at 6.00pm. Tickets will be £10.00 per person (family ticket prices on application). Before arranging catering, we need **CONFIRMED** numbers by Friday, 29 November. Please let Trish Prescott or Sue Lorimer know and also of any special dietary requirements. Many thanks.

**MONDAY FOCUS** - 11 November at 8.00pm in the Coffee Bar. We welcome Roy Evans as our speaker who will talk about "Remembrance". We shall discover how we and others commemorate Armistice Day throughout the world - to the cenotaph and the wearing of the poppy. Do come to hear this interesting talk. All are most welcome.

**A TRAIDCRAFT CHRISTMAS GIFT** will give pleasure to your loved ones and help those who you do not know in the developing world. A Traidcraft Stall will be held in the Coffee Bar after the morning service on Sunday, 17th and 24th November. A catalogue and order form for Traidcraft Christmas cards will be available. Rita Powell.

**NOTICE BOARDS.** Please see the notice boards to see what is going on in the District/Circuit. Sue.

**OFFERTORY TOKENS.** From today onwards we would ask all members who contribute to church funds via standing orders etc. to take an offertory token when arriving at church for Sunday worship. During the offertory you are asked to place this token in a collection bag. In this way it will be clear that all of us are not only contributing to church funds but also taking an active part in the offering, which is a central feature of our worship.

**WAITROSE SUPPORTING LUNCHEON CLUB.** For the month of November, Luncheon Club has been chosen by Waitrose in Wolverhampton as one of the three local charities to support. The amount each charity gets is worked out by the number of tokens in the box, which is found by the exit. To maximise our cash, customers need to ask at the time of paying for one of the tokens and then put it in the "Luncheon Club" section of the charity box. The tokens are given out on purchases **NOT** the value, so you get a token every time you shop. Please shop at Waitrose during November. Many thanks. Tim.

**Forthcoming Meetings  
at Beckminster**

4 November	9.00am District Meeting
4 November	1.30pm Pastoral Meeting
7 November	9.00am Circuit Staff Meeting
11 November	10.00am Luncheon Club Meeting
11 November	2.00pm Messy Church Planning Meeting
12 November	7.00pm Baptism Meeting
12 November	7.30pm Toddlers AGM
18 November	7.30pm Church Alive Meeting
27 November	7.00pm Advent Course
2 December	7.30pm Worship & Discipleship Group
4 December	7.00pm Advent Course
5 December	9.00am Circuit Staff Meeting
9 December	7.00pm BLT Meeting
11 December	7.00pm Advent Course
18 December	7.30pm Advent Course

**Christmas Events to put in your diaries**

<b>7 December</b>	<b>6.00pm Christmas Meal</b>
<b>11 December</b>	<b>7.00pm Carol Singing at Sainsbury's, St. Marks</b>
<b>13 December</b>	<b>7.00pm Community Carols</b>
<b>14 December</b>	<b>10.30am CTinG&amp;PF Carol Singing at Waitrose</b>
<b>14 December</b>	<b>11.00am Mince Pie Distribution</b>
<b>18 December</b>	<b>6.00pm Carol Singing at Waitrose</b>

**Further details will follow on these events  
in the Service Sheet**

**Your Welcome Team  
on the door next  
Sunday are:  
Roy Evans &  
Stephanie Wilkes**

**The flowers in Church are in  
memory of:  
Mrs Gillian Whilton.  
Arranged by  
Ann Holt.**

