THE UKRANIAN APPEAL is asking for thick black tights for children and older girls and adults. Please bring your contribution to church and Sue will ensure that Neville Collins will collect. Many thanks.

ACTION for CHILDREN. I am pleased to report that the Carol Singing on Thursday, 22 December at the Tesco supermarket raised £177.65. Also I received 4 donations just before Christmas totalling £66.88, which means that £244.53 will be sent to the charity in the near future. Many thanks to those who joined in the carol singing, especially the musicians from Lea Road, and those who made the additional donations. Pete Prescott (Action for Children organiser).

CHURCH ALIVE SOCIAL EVENT. By popular request, after an absence of 2 years, a FAMILY BEETLE DRIVE has been arranged for SATURDAY, 21 JANUARY at 6.30pm in our church hall. This event is suitable for all ages and will last for about 2 hours. There will be an interval when coffee, tea and soft drinks will be available, while you are welcome to bring your own light refreshments and snacks for this interval. The cost will be £2.00 for adults and £1.00 for children. So that we have an idea of numbers to prepare for, could you please let Sue Lorimer or Pete Prescott (746316) know if you are planning to attend. Pete Prescott.

GIFTS BROUGHT TO THE GIFT SERVICE in December were very gratefully received by the City of Sanctuary charity which supports Refugees and Asylum seekers in Wolverhampton. Adults who attend the Wednesday support sessions were given vouchers which can be used in the city shops. Children up to 13 years of age were each given a gift bag or box. Thank you for your generosity and for providing kindness to others in a practical way at Christmas time.

SUNDAY CLUB would like you to prayerfully think if you are able offer your help and service. A number of you have already kindly agreed and the more offers we receive the better the situation for everyone. Little other than time and commitment is involved although appropriate DBS requirements will be necessary if not already in place. We are asking for volunteers to step in to support the current leaders, nothing else and hopefully you would be allocated one negotiable Sunday morning every 6-8 weeks or so depending on the number of offers we receive just to help out. Please speak to Donna, Sheena or Brian for further information. Thank you.

City Lifestyle Survey: We have agreed to participate in this survey, which incorporates not only lifestyle behaviours, but also community safety, mental health and health services. This will be carried out by council employees in the coffee bar after morning service next Sunday morning 22 January. There is no obligation to answer questions, but it will help inform the council in terms of developing strategy and allocating funding. Alternatively, you may complete the survey privately and on-line at www.wolverhampton.co.uk/lifestylesurvey.

WOLVERHAMPTON CIRCUIT METHODIST WOMEN IN BRITAIN will meet on Tuesday, 31 January 2023 at 2.30pm at St Johns Methodist Church, Parkfields when the speaker will be Mrs Sue Pask, Chaplain of Engelberg Methodist Home. Bring and Buy Stall. All are welcome.

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Worship and Fellowship

15 January 2023

Ordinary 2

What's On This Week....

Monday 16 January 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group

9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group 1.00 - 3.15pm Take a Break 4.15 - 8.00pm Dinky Divas

Tuesday 17 January Office Closed

2.30pm Emmaus, 50 Bellencroft Gardens 4.45 - 6.45pm Dinky Divas

7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga

Wednesday 18 January 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open

9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers 2.00 - 4.00 Beck Together (See Notices)

Thursday 19 January 9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open 7.00 - 9.00pm St Johns Ambulance

Friday 20 January 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 9.45 - 10.45am Move It or Lose It 6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway

Saturday 21 January

10.30am - 12noon Coffee Morning (See Notices)

6.30pm Beetle Drive (See Notices)

Collect for the Day

To ponder and pray Living God, in Christ you make all

things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Come and join us on Sunday, 22 January 2023

10.30am Morning Worship with Pastoral Visitors Commissioning led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo

1.00 - 4.30pm Hope City Church

Beckminster Methodist Church Birches Barn Road, Penn Fields, Wolverhampton WV3 7BQ Tel. 01902 344910

10.30am Local Arrangement—"What are you Looking For" led by Mrs Wendy Bate

Call to Worship

Come and see the Lord' the holy and anointed one, Jesus the Messiah. Come and see the Lamb of God on whom the Spirit rests.

Come and see Him today, there is room for all.

You are invited - come! Amen.

StF 28 Jesus calls us here to meet him (Omitting verse 4)

Prayers of Praise, Thanksgiving and Confession - Sue Reed

The Lord's Prayer

With the Children - Brian Timmis

StF 706 Longing for Light,

Gospel Reading: John 1: 29 - 42 read by Janette Clough

"Follow me" by Jan Such Pickard

A Meditation led by John Bate and Hazel Graham

Congregation please turn to **StF 673 Will you come and follow me**

Reflection "Following Jesus" - Linda Hargreaves

Amazing Grace sung by Marilyn and Amelia

StF 728 O God, you search me and you know me.

Prayers for Others - John Ashwood

Offertory and Prayer

StF 660 Called by Christ to be disciples

Blessing

Lord, You always invite us to come and see You. Open our eyes to your wonders. Help us to be transformed by our encounters with you so that we may have the courage to go and tell, to show who you are with others so that they might be transformed by you. **Amen.**

The Grace

SUNDAY SERVICES will be on zoom as from Sunday, 22 January 2023 whilst we are meeting in the Main Hall. Further information to follow.

ZOOM PRAYER MEETING on a Wednesday at 9.00am. All are welcome and for further details please contact Sue.

COFFEE MATES. Meet Monday, 6 February 2023 at Farmer and Friends, Garden Village, Bridgnorth Road, Wolverhampton WV6 7EZ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everybody welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

BECK TOGETHER will next meet on Wednesday, 18 January from 2.00 - 4.00pm. Gordon Nicklin has kindly agreed to give an audio video presentation which he entitles TRAVELS WITH MY CAMERA. Come and join us as we escape wintry Wolverhampton for an hour!! Everyone welcome.

BECK COFFEE MORNINGS. Thank you to all who helped and to those of you that attended the Coffee Morning in December. We had a lovely morning and £120.20 was raised for the CRISIS Homelessness Charity. This will have paid for four peoples places at the Christmas Crisis Centre over the festive period. THANK YOU!

THANK YOU for those who went Carol Singing in Sainsburys, the total raised for The Good Shepherd was £168.51. We have had really positive feedback from them and they have asked us back this year. Tim.

Next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday, 21 January, 10.30am - 12noon. The Charity we are partnering with will be our good friends from Gateway. We will be offering bacon sandwiches for a set price in addition to our usual refreshments. We hope you can come and join us and Gateway for a cuppa! (A tip, to help you remember when the Coffee Mornings dates are, they run every month on the third Saturday). Best wishes from the Coffee Morning Team.

WOLVERHAMPTON PIONEER MINISTRIES CO-ORDINATOR, Temporary Role (Parental Leave). The Circuit is looking to appoint an experienced Pioneer or Chaplain to cover this post which commences February 2023. It is part-time, 10 hours per week at £13.12 per hour. Closing date is 19 January 2023 with interviews on 23 January 2023. For further information, contact the Circuit Office 422100.

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.

Our fellowship will continue after morning worship with tea and coffee served in the Coffee Bar. The Plants in Church for January are in Loving Memory of:
John Moxham
Mr & Mrs Hocking and Mary Gale
John & Mary Tonks
Mr & Mrs Collins
Billy Story