

**Harvest Weekend - 30 September and 1 October 2023**

We know that our whole congregation sees Harvest as a time not only to give thanks for God's bounty, but also as a time to give to others who are in need. We are delighted that our District Chair is going to lead our Sunday morning worship; she also plans to join us for our Harvest meal and entertainment on the Saturday evening.

The Church is always decorated beautifully: we are grateful that Trish Prescott has agreed to co-ordinate the decorations, but she relies on lots of people for their support and skill in achieving what we the congregation invariably appreciate so much. Please read carefully what Trish has written in these notices relating to the gifts that are most needed.

In addition to this, we are looking to Beckminster's financial needs this year and are incorporating a Gift Day into the weekend. Whilst our financial situation at present is not a major concern, we are facing a difficult time ahead, having lost in recent times some members who have given most generously to Beckminster. You will have noticed that we have in August 2023 improved lighting in the sanctuary, at a cost of nearly £6,000. It would be lovely to raise funds to defray most of that sum and towards the cost of other necessary work on our property.

Gifts (in sealed envelopes please) may be brought to either the Saturday evening event or to Sunday worship. All gifts will be gratefully received.

Thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

Rev Paul.

**HARVEST.** Our Harvest Service this year will be held on Sunday, 1 October at 10.30 am. We will be supporting The Pantry food bank at the Good Shepherd Centre again this year. There will be a token display of fresh produce but the rest of our gifts will be tins, packets etc that can be given out to families through The Pantry. Please ask me for a list of suitable items that are needed.

If anyone would like to decorate a window sill with a Harvest theme I would be very grateful for volunteers.

Also so that we can present our usual wonderful dessert table at the Harvest Supper on Saturday, 30 September are there any volunteers to make a pudding/dessert? Please let me know if you are able to provide one, thank you. Don't forget to get your tickets £5.00 from Tim or Sue. Many thanks, Trish Prescott .

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

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## Worship and Fellowship

**17 September 2023**

**Ordinary 24**

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

**Monday 18 September**

**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**

1.00 - 3.15pm Take a Break

5.00 - 8.00pm Dinky Divas

7.00pm Zoom Property & Finance Meeting

**Tuesday 19 September**

**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed**

9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group

4.45 - 6.45pm Dinky Divas

7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga

**Wednesday 20 September**

**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**

9.00am Zoom Prayer Group

9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers

**Thursday 21 September**

**9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open**

7.00 - 9.15pm St Johns Ambulance

**Friday 22 September**

**9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open**

6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

**Saturday 23 September**

10.00am - 12noon FairTrade Meeting

Collect for the Day

**To ponder and pray .....**

God our Redeemer, who called your Church to witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us so to proclaim the good news of your love that all who hear it may be reconciled to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Come and join us on  
Sunday, 24 September 2023  
Ordinary 25**

**10.30am Holy Communion  
led by Rev Glennys Bamford**

Forthcoming Meetings

2 October 7.30pm Zoom Church Council Meeting  
16 October 2.00pm Pastoral Meeting  
6 November 2.00pm Church Alive Meeting

**10.30am Morning Worship  
Beckminster's Own "Songs of Praise"**

Welcome and Introduction

**StF 74 For the music of creation, (Introduced by Bernard Harris)**

Prayers led by Phil Shuttleworth

**StF 611 Brother, sister, let me serve you, (v 1, 2, 5 & 6)**  
*(Introduced by Chris Reed)*

**StF 345 And can it be (v 1 Solo, 3, 4 & 5 All)**  
*(Introduced by Barbara Smith)*

Old Testament reading from Psalm 98 read by John Bate

**StF 563 O Jesus, I have promised (V 1, 3 & 4)**  
*(Introduced by Phil Shuttleworth)*

**StF 81 Now thank we all our God (Introduced by John Pearson)**

New Testament reading read by Wendy Bate

**StF 707 Make me a channel of your peace,**  
*(Introduced by Trish Prescott and Marilyn Bose)*

Offertory and Prayers led by Phil Shuttleworth

Lord's Prayer sung by the Congregation

**StF 503 Love divine, all loves excelling, (Introduced by Julie Tonks)**

Blessing and the Grace

**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  
September  
are in Loving Memory of:  
Phoebe Smith;  
Frank & Joan Harriman  
parents of Sue Lorimer;**

**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE.** The service this morning will be live streamed. The camera focuses only on those taking part but the back of your head might be seen. If you wish to remain out of sight of the camera, please sit at the back of the church.

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

**COFFEE MATES.** Meet Monday, 2 October 2023 at The Two Greens, Old Hill, Tettenhall, WV6 8BQ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everybody welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

**CHURCH OFFICE** is now closed and will re-open on Monday, 25 September 2023 at 9.30am. Please send notices in the usual way. Sue.

**CONGRATULATIONS.** The flowers in church are in celebration of the Diamond Wedding Anniversary of Graham and Dorothy Clulow who married here at Beckminster on 14 September 1963.

**HARVEST SUPPER** on Saturday, 30 September 2023 at 6.30pm. Tickets are now available at £5.00 and the food will be two slices of pizza, puddings and drinks. Marilyn and friends will be entertaining us. So that we order enough pizza, can you please indicate when you buy your ticket which flavour(s) you require. Many thanks. Tim.

**CUPPA, CAKE AND CHAT.** On Wednesday, 27 September 2023 from 1.45 - 3.00pm in the Epworth Room. All are welcome.

**THE WORSHIP & DISCIPLESHIP GROUP** would like to prepare a list of people willing to help with Local Arrangements (LA's on the plan). If you are interested, would you please let Sue Lorimer know. It would be very helpful if you let us know what part you would be willing to play in these services. Please contact Sue even if you have helped with LA's before. Thank you.

**UKRAINE REFUGEE AID** are appealing for mens and ladies deodorants, soaps, shower gels, shaving cream etc. Please leave at the back of church. Many thanks Neville.

**CALLING ALL JIGSAW FANS!!** We have been given a selection of puzzles and are introducing a Beckminster JIGSAW LIBRARY with donations for Christian Aid. Puzzles will be displayed in the Coffee Bar on Sunday mornings, beginning in October. Everyone is welcome to browse and borrow and we would hope for a donation of perhaps £1 for each loan. Also, we would welcome any gifts of puzzles to add to the supply. For further info - contact Trish Prescott or Wendy Bate.