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

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Worship and Fellowship

Easter Sunday, 31 March 2024

What's On This Week....

Monday 1 April
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed
Premises Closed
10.45am - 12noon Coffee Mates (See Notices)

Tuesday 2 April
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed
7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga

Wednesday 3 April
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting
9.15 - 11.15am WeightWatchers

Thursday 4 April
9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open
10.00am Ministers Staff Meeting
7.00 - 9.15pm St Johns Ambulance

Friday 5 April
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
10.00 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It
6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway

Saturday 6 April

Collect for the Day

To ponder and pray

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

**Come and join us on
Sunday, 7 April 2024**

Easter 2

**10.30am Morning Worship
led by Mrs Sue Readshaw**

**10.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion
led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo**

Welcome and Introduction to Worship

StF 297: Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.

Prayer

OT reading: Isaiah 25: 6 - 9 read by Christine Pearson

NT reading: Mark 16: 1 - 8 read by Diane Vanderdoes

Sermon

StF 311: The day of resurrection,

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

StF 588: I come with joy, a child of God,

Holy Communion

StF 313: Thine be the glory,

Blessings

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 for March
are in Loving Memory of:
Louise Wood;
Rose Carr;
Lilian Ashley;**

Wolverhampton Fair Traid (WFTS). Advert for the roles of Chair
of Board of Directors and Company Secretary

Wolverhampton Fair Trade Supplies CIC, trading as W-ton
Fair Traid (WFTS), was established as a community interest
company in the mid-2000s, evolving out of a less formal group of
volunteers.

It is governed by a Board of Directors which currently comprises
nine members and the day-to-day oversight of work is done by the
volunteer coordinator. We have approximately 20 volunteers who
work in our shop.

At its inception WFTS acted as a catalyst for fair trade sales and
education and sales were mainly to account customers such as
churches and schools but the Board had a vision to increase its
reach to retail customers across the city.

Despite major setbacks (including a major fire at its then premises
in Darlington Street Methodist Church in 2014 and the closing of
the church which coincided with the beginning of the Covid
pandemic, when the shop was in a healthy position and beginning
to see good profits) WFTS made a successful transition to
permanent premises in the Mander Centre in July 2022 where it is
beginning to see a growth in retail sales. At the same time WFTS
found a willing host at Beckminster Methodist Church both to be
our storeroom and from where we serve our account customers.

We are currently looking for two people to take on the roles of
Chair of the Board of Directors and Company Secretary.

Job descriptions and application forms are available from
shop@wolvesfairtraid.org.uk. If you would like an informal
conversation, please contact the volunteer coordinator, either at
the above email address or on 07845 007931.

Application forms to be returned by email no later than Monday
15 April 2024. Interviews will take place in mid-May.

We have received grateful thanks by many for the Easter Bags distributed during the past week by the Pastoral Visitors.

COFFEE MORNING. Gateway will be hosting the next Beckminster Coffee Morning on Saturday, 20 April from 10.30am - 12noon. Please come and enjoy a coffee and cake with the Gateway Group.

At the City of Sanctuary Drop-in, there is a popular sewing group which has asked if anyone has any cushion pads/inserts that they can donate. If you have any, please contact Deacon Linda on linda.gilson@methodist.org.uk or 07941 354958. Thank you very much.

Fairtrade Coffee Morning. Thank you to all who supported the Fair Trade Coffee Morning at Beckminster last Saturday. We have sent £120 to Transform Trade in support of their appeal for funds to enable women to set up community shops in their villages, with a particular focus on Bangladesh. Special thanks to friends at Beckminster who hosted the event.

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.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed over the Easter weekend and will re-open on Wednesday, 3 April 2024 at 9.30am. Sue.

COFFEE MATES. Meet Monday, 1 April 2024 at The Inn at Shipley, Bridgnorth Road, Shipley WV6 7EQ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everybody welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

CONNIE OWEN AND NORA VENABLES would like to send all friends at Beckminster Easter Greetings and to thank you all for making them feel they are still part of our Church Family.

EARL PHILLIPS. Our thoughts and prayers are with Utilda and the family following the death of Earl on 3 March 2024. Earl's funeral will take place here at Beckminster on Thursday, 11 April 2024 at 12.30pm followed by interment at Danescourt Cemetery.

JOHN WHILTON. Our thoughts and prayers are with Jenny, Jane and the family following the death of John on 7 March 2024. John's funeral will take place here at Beckminster on Wednesday, 17 April 2024 at 1.00pm. This will be followed by a Cremation Service at Bushbury Crematorium, West Chapel at 2.15pm.

CHEETHAM. Keith and daughters, Anna and Hilary, wish to thank everyone who attended or provided refreshment at the funeral of his wife, Elaine, on 18 March, after a long illness. Thanks are also due to our Minister, Paul, for his comforting service and Johnny Pearson who played splendidly on the organ at the East Park Chapel...

Beckminster Centenary June 2026. We have started planning for the centenary and would welcome any suggestions as to what activities would be appropriate and also if anyone would like to be part of the Centenary group to put the plan into operation. Please let Sue know by email to info@beckminsterchurch.co.uk Many thanks Tim.

CUPPA, CAKE AND CHAT. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 10 April 2024 from 1.45 - 3.00pm in the Epworth Room. All are welcome.

TREASURE HUNT. Join this Church Alive event at 3.30pm on Saturday, 13 April in the car park of "Two Greens" pub, Old Hill Tettenhall. The hunt involves clues on a 1.25 mile walk which visits Lower Green and returns to Upper Green. A table for meal has been provisionally booked for 6.00pm. Please contact Margaret & Gordon Nicklin, geejayen@aol.com (01902 742537) to book. Hunt & meal, Hunt only, meal only, by Monday, 8 April latest.

Wolverhampton Circuit Methodist Women in Britain. Tuesday, 16 April 2024 from 10.30am - 3.15pm at Springdale Methodist Church. Final MWiB District Gathering. (Thanksgiving Service at 11.00am).

Wednesday, 24 April 2024, 2.30pm Upper Ettingshall. Circuit MWiB Spring Meeting. Speaker - Cllr Mark Evans *On his experience of delivering aid to Romania*. Bring & Buy Stall.

Sunday, 12 May 2024, 6.00pm at Springdale Methodist Church, Circuit Service for the Easter Offering Dedication.

On Friday, 12 April, our daughter Sarah is getting married to her fiance Chris, here at Beckminster. If any of you would like to share in the ceremony with us you would be most welcome. The wedding service starts at 12.30pm. Trish and Pete Prescott.

Our Caretaker, Steve Harrington will be going into New Cross for a major procedure on 11 April and will then be convalescing for approximately six weeks after that. We are all aware of the excellent job that Steve does in keeping our premises clean and tidy. The Property Team are asking for volunteers to spend 30 minutes or so each week to undertake some of these necessary tasks whilst Steve is away. If you feel able to help, please let Roy Evans, Phil Healey or one of the stewards know A.S.A.P. Thank you.

Wishing all our friends from Beckminster a peaceful Easter. May you enjoy spending time with your family and friends. Love from Sandra, Dot and Bob.

Bostin' Beats is coming to Beckminster Methodist Church!

A community drumming circle will be held monthly on Wednesday evenings in the Coffee Bar. This is a friendly and fun gathering which is open to everyone of any age. No musical experience is required - just come along and enjoy spontaneous joy, connection, creativity, inspiration and laughter.

The dates are 24th April, 22nd May and 26th June from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Drums and percussion will be provided, or you can bring your own, and there will be refreshments served during the evening. The cost of taking part is £5 per person.

For further details contact Liz: email: music@blissfuldragon.com; or phone 07980320393.

Christian Aid Week. Time to check out the Attic and get to the back of those drawers, and hire a table at **Beckminster Table Top Sale** to be held on Saturday, 18 May from 10am - 2.30pm. Tables cost £10 and then all the proceeds from your sale are your own. There will be Hot Drinks and Light Lunches available. Tables can be booked by contacting Jennifer Cromie on 01902 338320 or 07547103700.