BILSTON CHATTY CHARITY SHOP: Help us to warm up our community this winter. Based at All Souls Methodist Church, Bilston, Monday - Thursday 9.30am - 1.30pm. We are looking for donations of quality pre-loved items this Christmas. There is also the opportunity to buy an item for the community on-line. Please see the poster on the Coffee Bar notice board for items that are required.

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Worship and Fellowship Sunday, 26 October 2025 Thirtieth in Ordinary

What's On This Week....

Monday 27 October 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 1.00 - 3.00pm Craft Group 1.00 - 3.15pm Take a Break

Tuesday 28 October 9 30am - 12 30nm Office

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed 9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group Wednesday 29 October

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting 8.45 - 10.45am WeightWatchers 7.30 - 9.00pm Aikido Japanese Martial Arts

Thursday 30 October 9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open 9.45 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It 10.00am Ministers Staff Meeting

Friday 31 October 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

Saturday 1 November

Collect for the Day

To ponder and pray

Eternal God, giver of love and peace, you call your children to live together as one family. Give us grace to learn your ways and to do your will, that we may bring justice and peace to all people, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Come and join us on Sunday, 2 November 2025

Thirty-First in Ordinary

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mr Alan Eccles

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mrs Tina Kinch

Call to Worship and prayer for those at home:

The Psalmist tells us: Those who wait on the Lord will renew their strength. They will rise up with wings, like eagles. Lord and Father grant to us that strength as we worship you in church or at home. May we be renewed in Spirit as we sing the hymns, read the scriptures and meditate on your precious word. Bless us all, we pray as we further strengthen that bond linking us to each other and to you. **Amen.**

StF 3: Eternal God, your love's tremendous glory

Praver

Lord's Prayer

A word with the young people

StF 76: Give me joy in my heart,

Blessing as the young people leave for their own instruction

Psalm 84 (StF 814) read together

StF 687: One human family God has made,

Gospel Reading: Luke 18: 9 - 14 read by Stephanie Wilkes

Offertory & Dedication

Sermon

StF 415: The Church of Christ, in every age

Prayers of Intercession

StF 683; Great is our redeeming Lord

Blessing

Sunday, 13 Sept 10.30am Rev Roger Leslie

Sunday, 20 Sept 10.30am Rev Emma Kendall

(nee Sergeant)

Sunday, 11 Oct 10.30am Rev Bryan Coates

Crossways @ Beckminster Christmas Events

Christmas Social on Saturday, 6 December 2025 at 6.00 for 6.30pm until around 9.00pm. We will again be serving turkey baps and salads with home made puddings to follow. Tea and coffee will be served after the food but you can if you wish bring your own drinks. This year we have entertainment from The Sandpiper Folk Club. Tickets are £10.00 and will need to be paid for in advance please. This is always a popular event so book early as this is first come first served. Please let us know of any dietary requirements. Please contact Sue.

Carol Singing on Monday, 15 December from 6.30 - 7.30pm at Tesco, Marston Road, Penn. (Supporting Charity - Action for Children). Thursday, 18 December from 6.30pm - 7.30pm at Sainsbury's, Raglan Street, Chapel Ash. (Supporting Charity agreed with Sainsbury's - normally the Good Shepherd). Saturday, 20 December 12.00noon - 1.00pm at Tesco, Marston Road, Penn, with Churches Together in Graiseley and Penn Fields. (Supporting Charity TBC).

Community Carols to be held on Friday, 19 December 2025 at 7.00pm around our Gateway Group. As in previous years we invite those groups and individuals who meet at the church to join in and perform something. If you have any church group or members who would like to be involved please contact Sue, info@beckminsterchurch.co.uk Many thanks. Tim.

Beckminster Centenary - **Dates for your Diary:**

As you are aware Beckminster will be celebrating 100 years of Ministry in Penn Fields and beyond next year. Many people over that time have gained inspiration to serve in many different ways. Several have grown up at, or spent time at Beckminster, and then gone on into the Ministry of the Church. These current or retired Ministers or Local Preachers have been approached and without hesitation all accepted the invitation to travel here from various parts to lead us in Worship during the year. Please make a note in your diaries to support them and share in their commitment and appreciation of Beckminster. For further information if required please speak to Brian Timmis.

Sunday, 8 February 10.30am Brenda Shuttleworth

Sunday, 22 February 10.30am Rev Paul Timmis

Sunday, 8 March 10.30am Rachel Starr

Sunday, 19 April 10.30am Rev David Shaw

Sunday, 10 May 10.30am Rev Richard Andrew

(President of the Methodist Conference)

Sunday, 7 June 10.30am Rev Paul Nzacahayo (Anniversary Weekend)

Wednesday, 10 June **Actual Anniversary Day for 100 Years of Beckminster**

Sunday, 14 June 10.30am Rev Neil Whitehouse

Sunday, 28 June 10.30am Iris Evans-Bjorno

Sunday, 12 July 10.30am Rev Eleanor Reddington

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, 3 November 2025 at Farmer & Friends, Garden Village, Bridgnorth Road, Wolverhampton WV6 7EZ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

PAUL'S £5 CHALLENGE has enabled me to buy 12 1lb honey jars which I have now filled with pure local honey. Selling at £7.00, should give a decent return! If you would like to buy, call me on 07876170972. They can be delivered f.o.c. Phil Healey.

EMMAUS GROUP. The next meeting will take place at 12 Wootton Road, Finchfield on Wednesday, 5 November 2025 at 2.30pm. All are welcome.

CHURCH ALIVE MEETING: The next Church Alive Meeting will be held on Monday, 3 November 2025 at 2.00pm in the Epworth Room.

TELEPHONE NUMBER: A lot of people now do not have a landline number and in order that I can update the church records, can you please advise me of your mobile number on which you can be contacted. Sue.

The Plants for October are in loving memory of: Parents and Sister of Pete & Trish Prescott

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.

PAUL'S £5 CHALLENGE: As part of my sermon on Harvest Sunday, 28 September, I gave you a challenge to increase the seed money from £5 as part of our centenary fundraising appeal. Some of you asked for an envelope containing £5 to bring back on 11 January 2026 with the increase achieved. Envelopes are still available from Sue Lorimer.

I also gave a second challenge to read on a daily basis the first 100 chapters of the New Testament, taking us from Matthew chapter one to the Book of Acts of the Apostles chapter 10. Each time you forget to read a chapter, you put a £5 into an envelope. At the end of the exercise, you look at how much money you have made and bring it to church on Sunday, 11 January 2026.

This exercise is voluntary and is meant to be fun and enjoyable. But at the same time, there is the seriousness of reading our Bible and raising some funds for the church.

Fairtrade Christmas Market, Saturday, 15 November, 10.30am – 2.00pm. Our monthly Coffee Morning will be supporting the work of Fairtrade. Light lunches and refreshments available. Wolverhampton Fair Traid will have Christmas gifts, cards and craft goods for sale. There will also be a craft stall with items made by our Monday afternoon Craft Group.

The Beckminster Centenary Book 1926-2026: If you wish to purchase a copy at £10.00, please see Sue in the Church Office. Monies received will go towards the Beckminster Centenary Fund.

Beckminster Centenary Blog:

As I mentioned last Sunday, I have created a Beckminster Blog as a diary of events leading up to and for our Centenary. If you put the following address into Google, it should take you to it:

beckminstercentenary2026.com

It's a work in progress so I would value any comments and suggestions you might have. Graham Lloyd.

COFFEE MORNING: At the Coffee Morning with Fairtrade on Saturday, 15 November, Beckminster Craft Group will also be having a stall and here are a few of the items which will be on sale:

BAGS: These are made of fabric and range from something to keep your phone or money safe, up to useful shopping bags in two different sizes.

BOOKMARKS: So you never lose your place!

BOXES: This selection of reusable boxes are great for sweets or small gifts.

CANDLES: Beautifully decorated which makes a lovely gift. **CARDS: NO CHRISTMAS CARDS,** however, we have a good

range of other cards for all occasions.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: We have a good selection of beautifully crafted decorations in wool, fabric and quilling. These are just some of the items we will have for sale on the day and we will also have the stall open on Sunday, 16th so that as many people as possible can see what we have on offer. All proceeds from this sale will be going to Beckminster Church Funds for the future upkeep of our Church.

Fancy a Church Retreat in 2026?

Maybe you would like a day retreat where you can take a day out of your busy life to relax, have fellowship with other Christians, and connect with God; or would you prefer a night away?

We are looking to see if people would be interested in a retreat of some kind.

If you would like to know more, please contact Beckminster Church Office, or email Liz Dean, lizdeanmeth@gmail.com by **31 October 2025** (you are not committing to attending at this stage, just lodging your interest).

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH, CODSALL: Craft Group Coffee Morning on Wednesday, 12 November 2025 from 10.30am - 12.30pm. Christmas themed stalls, cakes, crafts, cards, tombola prize every time.