**WEST MIDLANDS CONCERT BAND** will be performing Beautiful Tunes for an Autumn Evening on Saturday, 18 October 2025 at Fallings Park Methodist Church from 7.00 - 9.15pm. Tickets for Adults are £8.00 and children up to 16 £5.00.

**ADVANCE NOTICE:** Inauguration of All Souls Church Bilston with the Presiding Bishop of Zimbabwe, the National Zimbabwe Chaplain, together with our Circuit Superintendents on Sunday, 19 October 2025 at 3.00pm.

**PAT ARNOLD** a faithful and staunch member from Lanesfield passed away last month. Her funeral service is on Wednesday, 15 October 2025 at 10.30am at Lanesfield Methodist Church.

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Worship and Fellowship Sunday, 5 October 2025 Twenty-Seventh in Ordinary

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

## Monday 6 October

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open

10.45 - 12noon Coffee Mates (See Notices) 1.00 - 3.15pm Take a Break 2.00pm Pastoral Meeting 5.00 - 9.00pm Dinky Divas

Tuesday 7 October

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed

9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group 4.45 - 6.30pm Dinky Divas 7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga

Wednesday 8 October 9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open

9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting 8.45 - 10.45am WeightWatchers 7.00 - 9.00pm Horticutural Society

Thursday 9 October 9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open

9.45 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It 10.00am Ministers Staff Meeting

Friday 10 October

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open 10.30am - 12.30pm Wulfrun Warblers

Saturday 11 October

Collect for the Day

Blessed are you, O Lord, and blessed are those who observe and keep your law. Help us to seek you with our whole heart, to delight in your commandments and to walk in the glorious liberty given us by your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we make our prayer. Amen.

Come and join us on Sunday, 12 October 2025

**Twenty-Eighth in Ordinary** 

10.30am Local Arrangement "The choices we make" led by Mrs Christine Pearson and Others

# 10.30am Morning Worship led by Mrs Iris Evans-Bjorno

#### Greeting

Lord, in the morning I start each day, by taking a moment to bow and pray. Beginning with thanks, I then give praise for all your kind and loving ways. Today if sunshine turns to rain, if a dark cloud brings some pain, I won't doubt or hide in fear for you, my God you are always near. I will travel where you lead; I will help my friends in need. Where you send me I will go; with your help, I'll learn and grow. Hold my family in your hands, as we follow your commands. And I will keep you close in sight until I crawl in bed tonight.

StF 20: Be still for the presence of the Lord

Psalm 37

StF 638: Through all the changing scenes of life

Children's Address and Children Leave

Reading: 2 Timothy 1: 1 - 14 read by Alan Marriott

Hymn (Tune to All things bright and beautiful)

(Chorus)
May our mouths choose kindly words to speak with friends each day.
May our mouths speak words of peace to show the world God's way.

Each time we give an answer,
Each time we speak our mind
May we choose words with wisdom
and may those words be kind. (Chorus)

**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

## 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, <a href="mailto:lizdeanmeth@gmail.com">lizdeanmeth@gmail.com</a> by 31 October (you are not committing to attending at this stage, just lodging your interest).

**WYCE:** I am writing on behalf of Trustees from Partnerships in The Gambia, to thank members of Beckminster Methodist Church for the continued support of the charity. On 3 May we were given a warm welcome when we held a 'Coffee, Cake and Catch Up' afternoon in the Church Hall. We had the opportunity to speak of our recent work in The Gambia, with a special focus on the visits made by Trustees in November 2024 and March 2025. These visits provided the chance of meeting up with our Gambian partners and see projects at first hand. We received generous donations during the afternoon amounting to £242.00. This will help us continue our work in The Gambia making a difference to people's lives. Thank you members of Beckminster Methodist Church. Your support is always appreciated. All good wishes, Heather (Scott) for and on behalf of Lesley Dunlop, Ian Marshall, Penny Darlington-Twibill, Steve Evans and Debbie Peace (Trustees).

### **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 Bjorno

**Sunday, 12 July** 10.30am Rev Eleanor Reddington

May we speak of forgiveness to sing of love we must Let's tell of new beginnings and shout of our sure trust. (Chorus)

Gospel: Luke 17: 5 - 10 read by Maggie Marriott

Sermon

StF 692: Your hand, O God, has guided

**Intercessory Prayers** 

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

StF 509: Safe in the shadow of the Lord

Has someone seen Christ in us today? Christian, look to our hearts I pray. The little things we have done or said, did they accord with the way we prayed? Have our thoughts been pure and our words been kind? Have we sought have the Saviour's mind? The world with its criticising view, has watched - but did it see Christ in me or you? Has someone seen Christ in us today? Christians look to your lives I pray. There are aching and blighted souls being lost on sin's destructive shoals and perhaps of Christ their only view, may what they see of Him in you... Will they see enough to bring hope and cheer? look to your light, does it shine out clear?

Blessing and Grace

**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.

**MAIN HALL** will be out of bounds for a further 1 week due to work being carried out to the floor.

**COFFEE MATES:** Meet Monday, 6 October 2025 at Albrighton Garden Centre, Newport Road, Cosford, WV7 3EE from 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

**PASTORAL MEETING:** The next Pastoral Meeting will take place on Monday, 6 October 2025 at 2.00pm in the Epworth Room. Sue

**PENN SINGERS** are performing "French Connections" at Penn United Reformed Church on Saturday, 11 October 2025 at 7.30pm. Tickets are £11 and are available from Joy - 01902 429468 or Alex - 01902 338570.

**Wolverhampton University** Chaplaincy Centre are asking for Preloved crockery, utensils and cooking pans for students arriving with very little. Please help if you can. Please contact Shirley in the Circuit Office (tel. 01902 422100)

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.

**TODAY** you are invited to join us at Inclusive Gathering W-ton. **Praise & Worship on** Sunday, 5 October 2025 at 5.00pm and also **Connect** on every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7.00pm. An inclusive space to explore spirituality and faith. Booking is available on Eventbrite or contact Deacon Linda Gilson <a href="mailto:linda.gilson@methodist.org.uk">linda.gilson@methodist.org.uk</a> 07941 354958.

The Beckminster Centenary Book 1926-2026: You will be able to purchase copies following the service at a cost of £10.00 per copy, which will go towards the Beckminster Centenary Fund launched recently.

## **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.

**CROSSWAYS CHURCH COUNCIL:** We are in the process of appointing members of the new Crossways Church Council. If you would like to become a Church Council Member (and thereby a trustee) please come and have a word with me. John Ashwood.

**Crossways @ Wombourne.** We are having an evening at Wombourne on Friday, 10 October 2025 at 7.00pm with some items by our choir and others, followed by a light supper and an opportunity for everyone to share some favourite songs. Charge will be £5 to cover costs so we need to have an idea of numbers. Please contact Doreen Pike on 07982 867058 to book your place.

**HARVEST:** Thank you to everyone who helped with our harvest service and church decorations. Everyone was most generous in their gifts of produce and the displays in the church looked wonderful. Thank you all. Trish Prescott.