

REFLECTIONS ON THE FIRST 100 CHAPTERS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT:

Copies are now available priced at £15.00 in aid of Paul's challenge. You can collect your copies from the office during office hours or they will be available on a Sunday morning. Sue.

RAKEGATE METHODIST CHURCH are starting a new Carer & Toddler Group on Friday mornings from 9.30 - 11.30am. Children from birth up to the age of 3 years are welcome and also any SEND children. There will be no charge and there will also be free drinks and healthy snacks. For more information contact Marie Lane on 07767092986.

GARDENING TOOLS: Does anyone have any spare gardening tools that are no longer required, please? Maggie and I have a friend who is struggling financially in these difficult times and wants to develop her garden to grow food. We are willing to collect. Telephone Alan Marriott 07847277233 or Maggie Marriott 07305852100. Thank you.

STAFFORD CIRCUIT: A vacancy has arisen for a Pastoral Support Worker to support two congregations going through a significant period of transition. 20 hours per week. Closing date is 12noon on 25 February 2026. Interview date 4 March 2026. For job description and person specification, please contact admin@staffmc.org.uk

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Worship and Fellowship Sunday, 8 February 2026 Racial Justice Sunday

What's On This Week....

Monday 9 February

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
1.00 - 3.00pm Craft Group
1.30 - 3.30pm Take a Break
5.00 - 9.00pm Dinky Divas

Tuesday 10 February

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

Wednesday 11 February

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
8.45 - 10.45am WeightWatchers
9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting
2.30pm Emmaus Group (See Notices)

Thursday 12 February

9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open
9.45 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It
10.00am Ministers Meeting
11.30am - 2.00pm Gro Health
7.00 - 8.30pm St Johns Ambulance

Friday 13 February

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

Saturday 14 February

Collect for the Day
To ponder and pray
Loving God, the lights of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, and the strength of the wills that serve you: help us so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love you that we may truly serve you, whom to serve is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Come and join us on
Sunday, 15 February 2026**

Sunday before Lent

**10.30am Morning Worship
led by Miss Nickie Hale**

10.30am Morning Service
led by Mrs Brenda Shuttleworth

Call to Worship

StF 21: Born in song!

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

The Lord's Prayer

With the young people

StF 59: Lord, the light of your love is shining,

Old Testament Reading:
Isaiah 58: 1 – 12 read by Chris Reed

Reflection

StF 255: The kingdom of God

New Testament Reading:
Matthew 5: 13 – 20 read by Sue Reed

Reflection

StF 520: Give to me, Lord, a thankful heart

Offertory

Prayers of Intercession

Leader: Lord, hear us.

Response: Lord, graciously hear us.

StF 470: Lord, for the years

LENT BIBLE STUDIES: As Crossways, we are offering two Lent Bible Studies, one at Springdale on Friday afternoons in the Fellowship Room on February 20th, February 27th, March 6th, March 13th, March 20th and March 27th at 2.00pm. The one at Beckminster will be on Tuesday evenings in the Epworth Room on February 24th, March 3rd, March 10th and March 17th at 7.00pm.

The Bible Study at Springdale will be led by Rev. Robert Readshaw and will be looking at the Methodist resources for Lent and Easter on the theme '**Pause. Breath. Make space for God.**' You can find an overview of what will be available on the following link. <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/lent/> You can also use the link to sign up for weekly emails in Lent and daily emails in Holy Week and join with others in the Methodist Connexion preparing for Easter.

The resources are available on this link
https://media.methodist.org.uk/media/documents/Lent_2026_Worship_Resource.pdf

The Bible Study at Beckminster on Tuesday evenings will be led by Dr Rachel Starr and will be following Paula Gooder's book *Lentwise. Spiritual Essentials for Real Life.*

You don't need to buy your own copy, but if you would like to, it is available for £9 via Church House Publishing: <https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/books/9781781405451/lentwise>

Please feel free to join either of those two, or both, as your time and commitments allow you.

Teddy and Paul

On Sunday, 22 February 2026 returning into the main Church for Holy Communion, we welcome the second of our visiting Ministers of the Centenary Year. **Rev Paul Timmis** is a Superintendent Minister in the Wimbledon Circuit based at Worcester Park. Paul was born into the Timmis family in Wolverhampton to Doug and Sue, who having met in Questors, were involved in various activities at Beckminster particularly with Junior Church at the time. Paul was christened here at Beck and progressed through the Sunday School until the age of 10 when they moved to Balsall Common. Years later, Paul became a Local Preacher and then, after studying at Durham, went into the Ministry at Berkhamsted before moving to his current calling.

Paul's overriding memories as a child at Church though revolve around feeding the birds with Caretaker, Mrs George, with leftover bread following Communion Services. He also unashamedly recalls being in floods of tears on the day Rev Nigel Collinson left Beckminster, nowadays that is reserved for most Saturday afternoons following a Wolves match. Talking of which his other memory of Beck was playing football on the Church Lawn with all the other lads after Sunday School and if the weather was unsuitable gravitating around the Questors football table in the main hall. Not particularly things normally associated with a Church Minister maybe, yet as a number of the Congregation who have heard him preach will testify, we are fortunate to welcome Paul Timmis back to Beckminster.

Closing responses:

For all that God can do within us,
for all that God can do without us,
Thanks be to God.

For all in whom Christ lived before us,
for all in whom Christ lives beside us,
Thanks be to God.

For all the Spirit wants to bring us,
for where the Spirit wants to send us
Thanks be to God.

Christ has promised to be with us in the world
as in our worship.
Amen.

We go to serve Him.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP will be held in the Church Hall at 10.30am for the next few weeks and then we will be back in church on Sunday, 22 February 2026. A warmer-than-ever welcome is guaranteed. The service will not be live-streamed.

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

The Plants for February
are in loving memory of:
Mr & Mrs Collins;
Ron & Joan Beere;
Tom & Margaret Cay, Parents of Wendy Healey;
Ken & Evelyn Healey, Parents of Phil Healey;
Mr & Mrs Reg Cheadle & Mary Rose;

EMMAUS GROUP: The next meeting will take place at 12 Wootton Road, Finchfield on Wednesday, 11 February 2026 at 2.30pm. All are welcome.

NORA VENABLES: Our thoughts and prayers are with Derry and the family following the death of Nora on Monday, 19 January 2026. Nora's funeral will take place on Monday, 23 February 2026 at 11.30am at Bushbury Crematorium, East Chapel followed by a wake at Wergs Golf Club. Please phone/email Sue in the Church Office if it is your intention to attend the service and also the wake for catering purposes.

COFFEE MORNING: The next coffee morning will take place on Saturday, 21 February 2026 from 10.30am - 12noon in aid of 'The local Ukraine support group'.

I cannot believe that we are into four years of war and still no nearer to peace. Wolverhampton "RAZOM" are still taking in more refugees from Ukraine and helping to house them and set them up with the basic necessities of life, be it clothing, household and personal hygiene products. This coming coffee morning in February will be the fourth time your wonderful church and congregation have supported us in this mammoth task. We provide a free shop every Friday to help supply their needs and help in any which way we can. Your donations and Financial help from these and coffee mornings help considerably and on behalf of them all I would like to thank you once again. Neville Collins "RAZOM" Appeals Co-ordinator.

COFFEE MATES: Meet Monday, 2 March 2026 at Albrighton Garden Centre, Newport Road, Cosford WV7 3EE. from 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

CITY of SANCTUARY: There is a great need for children's shoes for refugees and asylum seekers who go to the City of Sanctuary Wednesday support group. Do you have any, or know of anyone who would be able to pass on, wearable children's shoes including trainers? If so, please bring them on Sundays and there will be a container for collection close to where you pick up your notice sheet. For further details please contact Sue Reed on 01902 762310.

CENTENARY MARRIED'S TEA: We are planning to display wedding photographs at this event and keep it in church during the centenary celebrations. Could anyone attending the tea on 28 March, and happy to provide a photograph, kindly give to one of the stewards on a Sunday morning or to Sue in the office. Please put your names and wedding date on the back and let us know if you need it returned to you.

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 worship with tea and
coffee served in the
Coffee Bar.