

Worship... Service ... Witness ... in the name of Jesus
Crossways Methodist Church at Beckminster
Welcomes You

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Worship and Fellowship
Sunday, 15 March 2026
Lent 4 - Mothering Sunday

**Crossways Methodist Church
at Beckminster
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What's On This Week....

Monday 16 March
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
9.40 - 11.00am Lanesfield School Visit
1.00 - 3.00pm Craft Group
1.30 - 3.30pm Take a Break
5.00 - 9.00pm Dinky Divas

Tuesday 17 March
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed
9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group
4.45 - 6.30pm Dinky Divas
7.00 - 8.15pm Lent Bible Study
7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga Group

Wednesday 18 March
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
8.45 - 10.45am WeightWatchers
9.00am Zoom Prayer Meeting
7.30 - 9.00pm Akido Japanese Martial Arts

Thursday 19 March
9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open
9.00am Circuit Leadership Team Meeting
9.45 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It
7.00 - 8.30pm St Johns Ambulance

Friday 20 March
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open
6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

Saturday 21 March
9.00am - 12noon Chaplaincy Taster
10.30am - 12noon FairTrade Coffee Morning
(See notices for both of these)

Collect for the Day
To ponder and pray
God of compassion, whose Son
Jesus Christ, the child of Mary,
shared the life of a home in
Nazareth: strengthen us each
day, that in joy and sorrow we
may know your presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**Come and join us on
Sunday, 22 March 2026**
Lent 5 - Passion Sunday
**10.30am Pulpit Exchange
Service with Holy Communion
led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo**
(See Notices)

**10.30am Local Arrangement
for Mothering Sunday
led by Mrs Christine Pearson & Others**

Welcome and Introduction

Lent 4
Opening liturgy

Object: a clipboard. Place it at the foot of the cross.

Voice 1: We place this clipboard at the foot of the cross. A symbol of checklists, assessments and assumptions.

Voice 2: We acknowledge the checklists we carry – spoken or unspoken – that shape how we see others.

Voice 3: But you, God, see the heart. You see the whole person. You see us with love.

All: O Lord our God, on this Lenten journey, help us to see as you see, and love as you love. Amen.

StF 88 Praise to the Lord,

Prayer

Song 'Mothering God' by Janet Pybon
sung by Barbara Smith

Talk with Readings

Luke 2: 41 - 52 read by Alan Marriott
Matthew 12: 46 - 48 read by Maggie Marriott
John 19: 25 - 27 read by Chris Reed
Acts 1: 12 - 14 read by Sue Reed

Hymn Sing we of the blessed Mother
(from the Anglican hymn book) - Seated

Centenary Events

Saturday, 28 March Married's Tea (by invitation only)

Sunday, 10 May President's Visit

**Saturday, 6 June
& Sunday, 7 June** Centenary Weekend

Saturday, 20 June Organ Recital

Friday, 10 July Community Summer Event
with Gateway & Others

**September
(date TBC)** Treasure Hunt

**Further details on each event
will be given nearer the time**

**Services during 2026 with Visiting Preachers
who have past connections with Beckminster**

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, 9 August	10.30am	Rev Peggy Heim
Sunday, 13 September	10.30am	Rev Roger Leslie
Sunday, 20 September	10.30am	Rev Emma Kendall (nee Sergeant)
Sunday, 11 October	10.30am	Rev Bryan Coates
Sunday, 6 December	10.30am	Rev Rachel Deigh (Joint Chair of West Midlands District)

Sing we of the blessed Mother
who received the angel's word,
and obedient to his summons
bore in love the infant Lord;
sing we of the joys of Mary
at whose breast that child was fed
who is son of God eternal
and the everlasting Bread.

Sing we, too, of Mary's sorrows,
of the sword that pierced her through,
when beneath the cross of Jesus
she his weight of suffering knew,
looked upon her Son and Saviour
reigning high on Calvary's tree,
saw the price of man's redemption
paid to set the sinners free.

Sing again the joys of Mary
when she saw the risen Lord,
and in prayer with Christ's apostles,
waited on his promised word:
from on high the blazing glory
of the Spirit's presence came,
heavenly breath of God's own being,
manifest through wind and flame.

Sing the chiefest joy of Mary
when on earth her work was done,
and the Lord of all creation
brought her to his heavenly home:
Virgin Mother, Mary blessed,
raised on high and crowned with grace,
may your Son, the world's redeemer,
grant us all to see his face.

CPWI Hymnal 749

Prayers of Intercession - Hilda Evans

StF 615 Let love be real,

Offering

StF 81 Now thank we all our God,

A closing Prayer.

The Grace

**The Plants for March
are in loving memory of:
Louise Wood;
Rose Car;
Lilian Ashley;**

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.
Coffee Bar.

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

COFFEE MATES: Meet Monday, 6 April 2026 at The Inn at Shipley, Bridgnorth Road, Shipley, WV6 7EQ from 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

Have you thought about becoming a Chaplain?

Chaplaincy Taster

Come and find out about Chaplaincy in different contexts - Further Education, Business, Retail, Waterways, Coffee Morning & more.

When: Saturday, 21 March 10am to 12noon
Refreshments from 9.30am
20 minute presentation at 10am and again at 11am.
If you are at Beck for the Coffee Morning -
pop in for a conversation at any time.

Where: Beckminster Methodist Church -
Epworth Room

Led by: Deacon Linda Gilson and Maggie Everett

For further information contact Deacon Linda
07941 354958 or linda.gilson@methodist.org.uk

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. If anyone has friends who were married here and you can obtain a photograph, please bring these in too. Also put your names and wedding date on the back and let us know if you need it returned to you. Many thanks.

CANTORAS CHOIR will perform Stabat Mater Sanctum on Saturday, 21 March 2026 at 7.00 for 7.30pm at St Peters Collegiate Church, Lich Gate, Queen Square, Wolverhampton WV1 1TY. Tickets are priced at £15.00 and tickets for children/students are £5 and available on the door. For further information see notice board in the Coffee Bar.

OUR STORY, OUR SONG: Growing your Calling in Worship with the President of the Methodist Conference. Do you feel called to lead worship or see it flourish in your church? Join us for a day designed to encourage, equip and inspire everyone involved in worship across our churches. This will be on Saturday, 9 May 2026 from 9.30am - 3.30pm at Trinity Methodist Church, Kidderminster DY10 2JL.

Churches Together in Graiseley and Penn Fields: Our morning worship next **Sunday, 22 March**, will be led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo and will be a pulpit exchange service. We look forward to welcoming members from Lea Road and Jubilee Christian Centre to join us in worship, here at Beckminster.

CIRCUIT PLAN: There has been an alteration to the new plan that was circulated recently. The service on Easter Sunday will be at Beckminster, led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo and we will be joined by our friends from Cranmer.

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.

Circuit MWiB Committee: Spring is just around the corner! Our **Spring Meeting** will be on Wednesday, 18 March 2026 at 2.30pm at Lanesfield. The Speaker will be Rev Alison Smith, United Reformed Minister from Wombourne. Bring and buy stall. All are welcome.

Big Brew Fairtrade Coffee Morning: Saturday 21 March, 2026 from 10.30am – 12.00 noon.

Friends at Crossways@Beckminster are hosting a Big Brew coffee morning, raising funds for the development work of Transform Trade.

There will be an opportunity to taste new fair-trade products and the Circuit Fairtrade Steering Group will be holding an Easter fairtrade market with a selection of Easter cards, chocolates and crafts.

PRAYER & PRAISE NIGHT: Saturday, 21 March 2026 at 7.00pm at St John's Methodist Church, WV4 6AA. Refreshments afterwards. All are welcome.

LENT BIBLE STUDIES: As Crossways, we are offering two Lent Bible Studies, one at Springdale on Friday afternoons in the Fellowship Room on 20th and 27th March at 2.30pm led by Rev Robert Readshaw. The one at Beckminster will be on Tuesday evening in the Epworth Room on 17 March at 7.00pm led by Dr Rachel Starr. Please feel free to join either of those two, or both, as your time and commitments allow you. Teddy and Paul.

LENT GROUP: On Friday, 20th March in the lent group at Springdale at 2.30pm, we will dip into the theme of the week, **Let go of despair, embrace 'respair'** in the light of the lectionary readings for the following Sunday, and think about when have you experienced a sense of 'respair' or hope returning after a time of despair? What helped you recognise it? You might like to prepare for the meeting by reading through the following.

Lent 5. Sunday, 22 March, 1st Sunday of the Passion

Ezekiel 37: 1 - 14 The Valley of Dry bones.

Psalms 130, Romans 8: 6 - 11 Life through the Spirit

John 11: 1 - 45 Jesus and Lazarus Mary and Martha

LOGO: At the last Crossways Church Council Meeting it was decided to ask all members of Crossways to design a logo for our new joint church. We will then use these to design the logo we will use. All designs can be either emailed to me, or hardcopies given to church stewards to pass to me. They will then be presented at the next Church Council Meeting. This is a celebration of us joining together and we look forward to receiving as many entries as possible. Email: janetfenney@hotmail.com

CROSSWAYS AT SPRINGDALE: Coffee Morning, Books and Jigsaw Sale - 28 March, 18 April, 23 May from 10.30am - 12noon in the hall or atrium.

ECUMENICAL LENT LUNCHTIME TALKS 2026: "Faith through Art". All talks will take place in St Peter's Coffee Shop, 4 Exchange Street WV1 1TS from 12noon - 1.00pm. Soup and rolls will be available from 12noon and the talk will begin at 12.30pm promptly and finish by 1.00pm including time for discussion. These will take place on 16 March and 23 March. See notice board in Coffee Bar for further details of the speakers.

Volunteer Role: Community Link Chaplain.

Connexus Methodist Church (Brewood, Codsall, Coven & Rakegate).

We are seeking a Community Link Chaplain to help build relationships with the many people who use our buildings and with the wider community. This voluntary role (up to 16 hours per week) offers the chance to be a warm, pastoral presence and support opportunities for faith exploration and community engagement.

Safer Recruitment:

This role requires a satisfactory DBS check, two references, completion of safeguarding training, and a probationary period of up to three months.

For the job description and application form, please contact Helen Share at codsallmethodist@gmail.com. Completed application forms must be received by **31 March 2026**.

INCLUSIVE GATHERING: Praise & Worship on the last Sunday of each month at 5.00pm.

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.

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