

## Centenary Events

<b>Sunday, 10 May</b>	President's Visit
<b>Saturday, 6 June &amp; Sunday, 7 June</b>	Centenary Weekend
<b>Saturday, 20 June</b>	Organ Recital
<b>Friday, 10 July</b>	Community Summer Event with Gateway & Others
<b>September (date TBC)</b>	Treasure Hunt

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

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

## Crossways Methodist Church at Beckminster

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### Worship and Fellowship

**Sunday, 12 April 2026**

**Second Sunday of Easter**

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

**Monday 13 April**  
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed  
1.00 - 3.00pm Craft Group  
5.00 - 9.00pm Dinky Divas

**Tuesday 14 April**  
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed  
9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group  
4.45 - 6.30pm Dinky Divas  
7.15 - 8.45pm Yoga Group

**Wednesday 15 April**  
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 16 April**  
9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open  
9.45 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It  
10.00am Ministers Meeting  
7.00 - 8.30pm St Johns Ambulance

**Friday 17 April**  
9.30am - 12.30pm Office Open  
6.30 - 9.00pm Gateway Group

**Saturday 18 April**

Collect for the Day  
**To ponder and pray .....**  
Faithful God, the strength of all  
who believe and the hope of  
those who doubt; may we,  
who have not seen, have faith  
and receive the fullness of  
Christ's blessing; who is alive  
and reigns with you, in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit, one  
God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Come and join us on  
Sunday, 19 April 2026**  
**Third Sunday of Easter**  
**10.30am Morning Service**  
**led by Rev David Shaw**

**10.30am Morning Service  
led by Mrs Wendy Gould**

Steward's welcome

The Easter Acclamation: Alleluia! Christ is risen  
**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**StF 295 Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,**

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

(Children/Young People)

Epistle: 1 Peter 1: 3 - 9 read by Ann Holt

**StF 309 See, what a morning, gloriously bright,**

*(Children leave)*

Acts Reading: Acts 2: 14a, 22 – 32 read by Diane Vanderdoes

Gospel: John 20: 19 – 31 read by Chris Reed

**StF 316 When Easter to the dark world came,**

Reflection "The light dawns!"

**StF 303 I know that my Redeemer lives**

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

**StF 305 Low in the grave he lay,**

Blessing

**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)

**Volunteers needed at Wolverhampton Fair Traid!**

Wolverhampton Fair Traid is staffed entirely by volunteers. We are currently looking for people who could join the rota at our Mander Centre shop. Our current volunteers tell us that they are finding this very rewarding since we joined with Shop in the Square and we benefit from a much greater footfall. Shifts are mostly afternoons, 1.30 – 5.00pm although we do cover Wednesday and Saturday mornings from 10.00am – 1.30pm. We will also be looking for somebody with good IT skills to support our computer network. Input would be on an ad hoc basis to support both our retail and account bases. People with an interest in media or publicity would also be most welcome. Please share amongst your colleagues - I would be happy to have an initial conversation with anybody who is interested. I can be contacted on [shop@wolvesfairtraid.org.uk](mailto:shop@wolvesfairtraid.org.uk). Brenda Shuttleworth: 07845 007931

On 19 April 2026 we welcome back the Rev David Shaw as part of our Centenary. David and Penny started attending Beckminster as newly weds back in 1980 and were original members of the Young Beck group that existed. David entered Queens College in 1983 but still attended the Church. In 1984 they left Wolverhampton as he followed his calling into the Ministry. He is a Supernumerary Presbyter serving in the Redhill and East Grinstead Circuit. We will learn more no doubt!

**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.

**JUNIOR CHURCH:** As discussed with parents, there may be some Sundays where the children are asked to remain in Church. The children's table at the front of the Church is always available should they wish to entertain themselves quietly during services.

**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, 4 May 2026 at The Oaken Arms (Foaming Jug), Holyhead Road, Codsall WV8 2HX 10.45am - 12noon. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

**THANK YOU.** Ivor and I are grateful for the lovely flowers and the card we received on Monday, 30 March 2026. They are a touching reminder that although we are so far away from the church we are still connected and belong. With love, June.

Dear Friends, Thank you for all the hard working Church Members (too many to name) who gave us such a wonderful Centenary Marrieds' Tea. The Welcome, Paul's sermon, the refreshments, the entertaining photo displays and the music were all excellent. Congratulations. Betty Boulton.

The Plants for April  
are in loving memory of:  
Kathryn Tonks;  
David Boulton;  
Brownie & Betty Carter-  
Brown;  
Mr & Mrs Kenneth Corns;  
Anne Jones & her Parents;  
Violet Watts;

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.

**CHURCH OFFICE** is now closed and will reopen on Wednesday, 15 April 2026 at 9.30am. Sue.

**CENTENARY MARRIEDS' TEA:** Our first organised Centenary social event, the Marrieds' Tea was a fantastic success with over 120 people being present. Many people gave a lot of their time in going the extra mile to make it such a memorable occasion and there are too many to mention individually. Suffice to say, can I thank everyone who contributed in whatever way in being part of the success of this event. Tim.

**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

**WOMBOURNE & DISTRICT CHORAL:** On Saturday, 25 April 2026 at 7.30pm Wombourne & District Choral Society will be performing Carl Orff's 'Carmina Burana' and Tippett's five spirituals from 'A Child of Our Time' at St John's in the Square. Tickets are available online from the Society's website or contact Stephanie Sherwood on 01902 742887.

**CENTENARY:** Centenary Books, Reflections on the First 100 Chapters of the New Testament and cards of Beckminster are available priced at £10.00, £15.00 and £2.00. You can collect your copies from the office during office hours or they will be available on a Sunday morning. Sue.

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

**Celebration Gift Day:** All friends and members of Beckminster are invited to make a financial contribution to our Centenary Gift Day on Saturday, 6 June 2026. You have all received a letter and please read carefully and prayerfully.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** We are holding a 'Brainstorming Evening' on **Thursday, 23 April 2026** (7.00 - 8.30pm) at Springdale to hear your thoughts on how we might do some things better at Crossways. If you are happy to be involved in discussions (not volunteering to do anything necessarily) do please come along. Items to be discussed are Christian Aid, Action for Children, All We Can, Worship, Mission, Music, Technology, Youth Work and social gatherings and anything else we/you can think of. If you are already involved in these things we will definitely welcome your input. We will plan a rather informal gathering, and you can go from one group to another if you wish. If you are happy to chair a topic, please let Paul or a steward know.

**EASTER OFFERING:** The Easter Offering is the annual opportunity to give to the World Mission Fund, which works with over a hundred of the Methodist Church in Britain's Partner Churches and organisations around the world. Collection envelopes are available at the back of church for people to make their gifts. All gifts will be gratefully received, and dedicated at a Circuit Service on Sunday, 17 May 2026 at 6.00pm at St John's Church, Parkfields. The theme this year will be "Unbound: a gospel that breaks barriers." *Wendy Gould, Circuit MWiB*

**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. 07941 354958 linda.gilson@methodist.org.uk