

Centenary Events

Sunday, 10 May	President's Visit
Saturday, 6 June	3.00pm Centenary Event planned by the Uniformed Organisations and Refreshments. Further details nearer the time.
Sunday, 7 June	10.30am Centenary Morning Worship with Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo
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

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

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Worship and Fellowship

Sunday, 19 April 2026

Third Sunday of Easter

What's On This Week....

Monday 20 April

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 21 April

9.30am - 12.30pm Office Closed
9.30am - 12.30pm Art Group
1.00 - 2.00pm IFW B & S Lunch (See Notices)
4.45 - 6.30pm Dinky Divas

Wednesday 22 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 23 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 24 April

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

Saturday 25 April

Collect for the Day
To ponder and pray
Christ our friend, you ask for our love in spite of our betrayal. Give us courage to embrace forgiveness, know you again, and trust ourselves in you; we pray in your name. **Amen.**

**Come and join us on
Sunday, 26 April 2026**

Fourth Sunday of Easter

**10.30am Morning Service
led by Rev Dr Paul Nzacahayo**

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;**

**10.30am Morning Service
led by Rev David Shaw**

Welcome

Easter Affirmations:

This is the Good News –
The grave is empty,
Christ is risen.

HALLELUJAH

This is the Good News –
The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness can never put it out.

HALLELUJAH

This is the Good News –
Once we were no people,
now we are God's people.

HALLELUJAH

StF 297 Christ is alive!

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

All Age Slot

StF 299 Easter jubilation

(Young people may leave)

Bible Readings:

Hosea 4: 1 – 3 read by Chris Reed

Mark 12: 28 - 34 read by Sue Reed

StF 305 Low in the grave

Sermon

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.

**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)

Presidential Visit to Beckminster on Sunday 10th May: All are welcome to join us for morning worship at 10.30am. We are delighted that all churches in the Crossways Hub and St. John's are planning to join us. Following the service there will be an opportunity to enjoy further fellowship together and join in a 'Bring and Share Lunch' in the Church Hall and Coffee Bar. Please note again that all are welcome. Should you wish to participate in the lunch, please hand in your contribution in the kitchen before the service. Surnames beginning with letters A to M please donate savoury items; surnames N to Z please donate dessert items.

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.
Brenda Shuttleworth: 07845 007931

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.

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

StF 724 As if you were not there,

Offering

Prayers of intercession

StF 693 Beauty for brokenness,

Blessing

Prayer:

Lord, grant us to see the world
and our lives in the light of your resurrection.
May the reality of that first Easter Day,
lead us to a more thankful and courageous life.
May what you achieved on the cross,
strengthen us to face the challenges in our lives,
and confront the injustices that we see.
Through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. **Amen.**

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE: Apologies to those who were unable to join us last week on the live-stream as there was a problem with YouTube. Hopefully we will be back on today. If we are, 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.

MANY THANKS to everyone who supported the Frugal Lunch on Good Friday. The donations totalled £282.60 of which £230 was gift aided adding another £57.50. We will be forwarding this to Christian Aid's current appeal for urban farming in Nairobi. Wendy Bate.

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.

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

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.

EASTER ACTIVITIES: The Hot Cross Buns consumed over Easter were donated by Tesco. I sent them some photos and I have had the following response.
Hi Tim, Lovely pictures glad everyone enjoyed them.
Many thanks, Heather

EASTER OFFERING: 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*

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.

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

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.

Interfaith Wolverhampton's Bring & Share Lunch 1.00 - 2.00pm on Tuesday, 21 April 2026 at Beckminster Methodist Church. The guest speaker will be Deborah Smith, Prevent and Cohesion Co-Ordinator WCC. She will talk about the work they do and upcoming meetings.