

**Brainstorming Evening:** Thank you so much to those of you who managed to come to the evening on Thursday. Over 50 people joined in conversations about sharing ideas, resources and talents. A blessing in itself. A report will be prepared and shared when ideas are collated. Nicola.

**WOLVERHAMPTON PRIDE 2026** will be on Saturday, 6 June 2026. **Parade** - please let us know you are coming (20 places available) around midday or to help with our stall at the Pride Market in West Park. **Create** - if you enjoy knitting, crocheting, crafting, please support us by making hearts (5-6m across) which can be given out on the day. **Praise** - Join us at Pride, Praise & Worship on Sunday, 31 May 2026 at 5.00pm. Free tickets on WLGBT & Eventbrite. For further details contact Lesley Cook/Deacon Linda Gilson and see poster on notice board in the Coffee Bar.

**West Midlands Concert Band** will be playing at Springdale on Saturday, 16 May 2026 at 7.30pm in support of Arthur's fund-raising efforts for his participation in the 2027 World Scout Jamboree. Tickets £10 adult, £5 child available from James or Rachel Peterson ([James.peterson@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:James.peterson@blueyonder.co.uk)), on the web at <https://www.ticketsource.com/west-midlands-concert-band> or by scanning the QR code.



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### Worship and Fellowship

Sunday, 26 April 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

##### Monday 27 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 28 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 29 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 30 April

9.30am - 3.30pm Office Open  
9.45 - 11.00am Move It or Lose It  
7.00 - 8.30pm St Johns Ambulance

##### Friday 1 May

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

##### Saturday 2 May

Collect for the Day

**To ponder and pray .....**

God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, with the blood of the eternal covenant: make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is well-pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one Go, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Come and join us on  
Sunday, 3 May 2026**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**10.30am Morning Service  
led by Deacon Linda Gilson**

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

Steward's Welcome

Responsive Psalm 23 (StF 805)

**StF 516: What shall I do my God to love,**

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Acts 2: 42 - 47 read by Christine Pearson

**StF 156: From the breaking of the dawn**

John 10: 1 - 10 read by Barbara Smith

Sermon

**StF 672: Where can we find you, Lord Jesus our Master?**

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

**StF 519: Father, I place into your hands**

Blessing

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.

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;

**Centenary Events**

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

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

<b>Sunday, 10 May</b>	10.30am	Rev Richard Andrew (President of the Methodist Conference)
<b>Sunday, 7 June</b>	10.30am	Rev Paul Nzacahayo (Anniversary Weekend)
<b>Wednesday, 10 June</b>		<b>**Actual Anniversary Day for 100 Years of Beckminster**</b>
<b>Sunday, 14 June</b>	10.30am	Rev Neil Whitehouse
<b>Sunday, 28 June</b>	10.30am	Iris Evans-Bjorno
<b>Sunday, 12 July</b>	10.30am	Rev Eleanor Reddington
<b>Sunday, 9 August</b>	10.30am	Rev Peggy Heim
<b>Sunday, 13 September</b>	10.30am	Rev Roger Leslie
<b>Sunday, 20 September</b>	10.30am	Rev Emma Kendall (nee Sergeant)
<b>Sunday, 11 October</b>	10.30am	Rev Bryan Coates
<b>Sunday, 6 December</b>	10.30am	Rev Rachel Deigh (Joint Chair of West Midlands District)

**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. We will be back on today. 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.

The Thanksgiving Service for the life of Robert 'Ches' Chesworth will be held at St Andrews Church, Sedgley at 12noon on Tuesday, 5 May 2026. Ches was a member here until Clunis and he married in 1964. The Family request colourful attire

**Presidential Visit to Beckminster on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

**HERITAGE WEEK:** Wolverhampton City Council is supporting heritage week from 11 - 20 September 2026. With this being our Centenary, linking up with Heritage week seems an idea worth pursuing. I would ask if there are any Beck people who would be interested in forming a small group to look at what we can do to support Heritage week, to contact me. Many thanks Tim.

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

**COFFEE MATES:** Meet Monday, 4 May 2026 at The Oaken Arms (Foaming Jug), Holyhead Road, Codsall WV8 2HX 10.45am - 12noon. This is a new venue for us, the Manager Sophia is looking forward to meeting us all. Everyone welcome. June Sutton, tel. 07790272865.

**CHURCH GROUNDS:** If any members would be prepared to help with the maintenance of the church grounds during the Spring and Summer, any assistance would be much appreciated. Further details from Phil Healey on 07876170972.

**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 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*

**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

**CHRISTIAN AID:** We are hoping to support Christian Aid 2026 by a joint venture across all four Crossways Churches. You are invited to participate, with sponsorship or donations, by walking, running, swimming, cycling (or whatever!) a few kilometres towards a grand Circuit total of "70k in May" - all in your own time during May. More details of the practicalities will follow but please build it into your thinking. Christian Aid is in great need of your generosity and prayers and is very grateful for your ongoing support. Wendy and John Bate.

**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.

**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