



Hi, we are the Youth Pastors in the Coventry and Nuneaton Methodist Circuit, Pastor Ady White and Pastor Ruda Mvundura. Welcome to the newsletter where you can find out what has been going on, what is happening, and coming up in the circuit and

This month we can find out more about Deacon Sheila. Here is the information about her and what she looks like so next time you see her please say hello.



I was brought up in a Christian home where my dad was the church organist and my mum was a Methodist Local Preacher. My first memory of God touching my heart in a personal way was in Sunday School when I was 10 years old. I made a conscious decision, the following Sunday, to receive Jesus as my Saviour and follow Him as my Lord. I served God as a nurse for over 25 years before hearing God's new call on my life (to 'reach out to lost and hurting people') and completing a degree in Evangelism, Mission, and Ministry at Cliff College. I worked as a Family Worker for the Methodist Church for 5 years before sensing God's call to ordained ministry as a Methodist Deacon.

Prior to coming to Bedworth, I exercised diaconal ministry in our Circuit Café in a deprived area of Leeds – being available to people who were finding life a struggle and listening to them. I'd share the love and hope we find in Jesus with them as the Holy Spirit prompted me (as well as through Café Church).

I have never felt a call to preach but I love to encourage others to worship God, to pray, and to respond personally to what God might be saying to them through the words of the Bible. I strongly believe that God is interested in each of us as an individual and longs to share our lives with us and to bless us, no matter what sort of a mess we have previously made of our lives. I love the Church (I've been part of it all my life!) but I particularly feel drawn to people on the margins of society – those who are feeling bewildered and broken by what life has thrown at them. I have a God-given desire to bring them healing and hope in the name of Jesus.

I am a wife, a mother, and a grandma. I don't like mornings, but I love food, walking in the countryside, visiting new places, and going to Christian Festivals. More than anything else I want to love Jesus and honour Him and please Him and, hopefully, I manage to do this sometimes! further away.

Although Easter has now been and gone, we trust you had a good and blessed time worshipping and meeting with family and friends - not to mention lots of chocolate and other goodies to eat!

We are already at the end of April and we're sure many of you will be enjoying the warmer days that have already begun. As you are out and about enjoying the warmth of the sunshine, we would encourage you to take the time to look around and remind yourselves of the beauty of God's creation. For those of you with a more scientific mindset you might want to think about how clever God's creation is, the way something we take for granted, such as a butterfly or tree, add to our quality of life.

Whatever you do over the next few months don't forget there will be many events happening across the Circuit and it would be great if you could join us for some of them.

Are you aged 5-18?

Earlsdon Methodist Church

Youth Fellowship

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Starting: 6th May 2022 @ 7.00 pm

Invites you to Come along every first Friday of the month to make new friends, play games, fun times, songs, bible stories, explore, competitions, refreshments and more.....

Place: Earlsdon Methodist Church, 227 Albany Road Coventry, CV5 6NF

HEAD STRONG

Headstrong is a new online space aimed exclusively at young people with a focus on promoting positive mental wellbeing.

Great if you want new challenges and ways of dealing with issues such as anxiety and stress. Reading other people's stories and their faith.

www.beheadstrong.uk

Things to think about for good Wellbeing

Movement: Whilst at home make specific times of the day to get out for a walk, run or jog. This will get some exercise in so you can start and finish your day well.

Light: As we are in Lockdown it is important for us to go outside and get natural light as it helps with our Wellbeing

Food: Make good decisions with food and set regular breaks and times to eat together with others.

Connection: Connect with friends via technology, we are social people so connect with others and meet with others when it is safe to do so.

Sleep: Set yourself a bedtime so you get good sleep in without distraction of technology.

3GENERATE 2022 30 SEPTEMBER TO 2 OCTOBER!

3Generate is back again this year at the NEC Birmingham. If you would like to go please let the Youth Pastors know as booking has already started for this year. There are full camping tickets as well as day tickets and again a day for those 4-8 years old. This is an opportunity to go along and make new friends from all over the Methodist connexion. As well as explore topics about your faith and ask questions, whilst also enjoying the activities that go on throughout the day.



Our Youth and Family monthly services have been running since January. Our last services were at Earlsdon and Bedworth Methodist Church. At Earlsdon we looked at Life with the Bible where we looked at what the Bible is and our communities and who we live life with. The service at Bedworth we looked at life with social media and identity, the Bible and faith.

This is a great opportunity for families and young people to come and enjoy some contemporary worship and pray together as well as listen to people speak about how it is to live life with ...

We hope to see you at our next services which will be at Earlsdon or Bedworth on the following dates:

Earlsdon: May 22nd 2022

Bedworth: June 26th 2022

Earlsdon: July 24th 2022



Horeston Grange Fun Club have opened their doors again after stopping during Covid. They have run 2 so far and have brightened up the church by planting bulbs to put around the church. They have also made cards for people who care for them and have also coloured in and collaged people to represent themselves, so that people know they are there and can be prayed for. It has been amazing to see all the young people's smiles and energy in the church. The young people enjoy it and so do all the volunteers who help to run the night. It has been great to see so many filling the church and making new friends and reuniting with others they have not seen in a while.

Amplify 2022

Our young people along with other young people from the District recently spent the weekend at the Pioneer Centre in Kidderminster.

Ermine Mitchell, the Circuit Children and Youth Coordinator writes:

The Theme was 'Rest, Revival and Refreshment' – all in the name of Jesus.

We had access to outdoor activities including high ropes, aerial trek, abseiling, fan jump and initiative games, there was indoor caving, archery, a challenge course and an inflatable challenge.



The guest speakers were Youth President Daud Irfan and Richard Oppong-Boateng, the Young Evangelist Officer.

There was a buzz as we descended at the Pioneer Centre, young people from The Birmingham Methodist Circuit and Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury Circuit.

There was opportunity for group worship, learning new songs, bible study, time to be still, time to get reacquainted with friends not seen for 2 years due to Covid and time to make new friends.

We had a campfire which was amazing and shared communion together, that was an experience, communion in the dark and the wind decided to descend upon us halfway through.

f you would like to hear Richard who was one of the speakers at amplify he will be coming to lead one of Youth and Family services in June. He is very inspirational and is great listen to.





Our under 10's fellowship online happens on the first Sunday of every month. Recently we have been looking at the triumphant Entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. We explored this in many ways. We learnt through songs, a video prayer and dancing. Join us for our next one as we look at different stories throughout the Bible in some fun and new ways. If you want to join us, please contact the Youth Pastors so they can send you the link for Zoom.









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www.covnunmethodist.org.uk

Check out this link to explore a wordsearch on our Circuit website:

Coventry & Nuneaton - - Young People Easter Word Search (covnunmethodist.org.uk)