

Dear Circuit Contact

Weekly Circuit News Thursday 15th February 2024, No. 063

Please feel free to send us good news about other friends around the circuit so that we can share these with each other in future news.

Please send to the Circuit Office before midday on Thursday for it to be included in that week's news.

Please save these dates!

18th February 2024 Online Circuit Service at 6pm, on zoom, link is below Topic: Online Circuit Service of Celebration

Time: 18th February 2024 at 6:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/94109144906?pwd=dHgyNjR6TIR5UFRPTEVwaWMwUTMwQT09

Meeting ID: 941 0914 4906 Passcode: 556385

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2nd March 2024 Circuit Service at 2.30pm, Arley Methodist Church

Please join us for a short service where we will worship together and recognise the long service of some of our preachers.

Following the service there will be time to enjoy a cup of tea and delicious cakes. If you are able to bake, please come along with your star bake or showstopper.

Donations for cake will be given in support of Coffee Shop Sunday

14th April 2024 Circuit Service at 4pm, Balsall Common Methodist Church

This will be a Circuit Service of farewell for Rev'd Jane Braund, incorporating Easter Offering. Please join us after the service for tea and cake.

28th April 2024 IGC Worship at 4.30pm, Bedworth Methodist Church This is an opportunity for us to come together across the circuit, from all generations to worship and eat together in the afternoon. Please encourage your families to save the date and come together.

Good News from around the Circuit

Woodside Avenue Methodist Church

- £335 was collected for Zoe's Place children's hospice as a result of donations at our Parish Nurse's birthday celebrations and our February coffee morning.
- Woodside Fellowship At our meeting last Tuesday, we enjoyed a very interesting talk by our own Brian Cave about his career flying aeroplanes. As it was Shrove Tuesday, we finished by tucking into pancakes with our cup of tea.

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday, 27th February at 2pm**, when we look forward to an illustrated talk by our own Keith Chapman about the recent, exciting discovery of ancient caves. This will be followed, as usual, by a cup of tea, biscuits and chat.

Our friends from other churches in the circuit are very welcome to join us.

- Woodside Coffee morning
 Please join us at our next coffee morning 10.30 12 noon on Saturday March 2nd.
 We invite friends from around the Circuit to share in supporting the Circuit's 2nd Mile Project in aid of The International Children's Trust.
 Gifts for the Tombola will be welcome or indeed High Value gifts for Sale on eBay will be gratefully received.
- Woodside welcomes former Minister, Rev Andrew de Ville to lead worship on their Church Anniversary, Sunday 3rd March at 10.30am All are welcome.

Extra arrangements in the Circuit during Lent and Easter

Balsall Common Methodist Church Lent Breakfasts

This year's Lent Breakfasts are on the Theme of Trailblazers of Faith: Women Spiritual Icons in Christian History.

Saturday 17 February: Hildegard of Bingen led by Clive Hicks

Saturday 24 February: Edith Stein led by Pauline Warner

Saturday 2 March: Evelyn Underhill led by Mark Bratton

Saturday 9 March: Teresa of Avila led by Anne McCormick

Saturday 16 March: Julian of Norwich led by Susan Mobberley.

Open to everyone. Taking place at Balsall Common Methodist Church, 228 Station Road, Balsall Common, Coventry, CV7 7EE.

Breakfast of croissants and tea/coffee at 8.40am. Speaker begins at 9am followed by discussion. The meeting finishes at 9.45am.

Small charge of £2 for costs, with surplus going to charity.

Maundy Thursday 28th March

Horeston Grange - 7pm Passover Supper Rev'd Allan Smith Meriden - 7pm Rev'd Ian Coates Nuneaton - 7pm Rev'd Jill Marsh Radford & Holbrooks with Earlsdon joining - 7pm Rev'd Doreen Koffie-Williams

Good Friday 29th March

Arley - 7pm Deacon Sue Fry Atherstone - 12 Noon Tony Cashmore Bedworth - 12 Noon In town centre Earlsdon - 10am-11am Crafts, 11am AAW Bill Holdforth, 6.30pm Reflections Meriden- 7pm Rev'd Jane Braund Nuneaton - 12 Noon Rev'd Jill Marsh Ryton - 7pm Rev'd Ian Coates

Ascension Day Thursday 9th May 2024

Woodside - 7pm Rev'd Koffie-Williams ALL CIRCUIT INVITED

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Training (EDI)

We have arranged some in person EDI Training in our circuit and sharing with Tamworth & Lichfield Circuit. You will need to attend 2 afternoon sessions, or 2 evening sessions or the whole day on Saturday.

At the moment this training is only mandatory for Ministers, Local Preachers, Circuit Safeguarding Officer, Circuit Stewards, Church Stewards, Worship Leaders and Lay Workers. If you are not included in the mandatory people but feel you would like to attend this training please contact <u>office@covnunmethodist.org.uk</u>

Available dates:

Tuesday 9th April 2024 - 1.30pm - 3.45pm – Bedworth Methodist Church, Mill Street, Bedworth CV12 8JZ Thursday 11th April 2024 – 7pm – 9.15pm - St Andrew's Methodist Church, Thackeray Drive, TamworthB79 8HY Tuesday 23rd April 2024 - 1.30pm - 3.45pm – Bedworth Methodist Church, Mill Street, Bedworth CV12 8JZ Thursday 25th April 2024 – 7pm – 9.15 pm - St Andrew's Methodist Church, Thackeray Drive, TamworthB79 8HY Saturday 25th May 2024 - 9.30am - 4pm – Woodside Avenue Methodist Church, Woodside Avenue South, Coventry, CV3 6BE

To register for this training please complete the attached booking form and return to the circuit office <u>office@covnunmethodist.org.uk</u>

Information received from Birmingham District Office

The Birmingham West and Oldbury Circuit are seeking an Operations Manager & Administrator We are looking for someone to bring management expertise and experience to support the ministers, churches and stewards in the day-to-day business of running the Circuit and assisting churches. This is a part time role of 21 hours per week initially and as there will be travel required within the Circuit, access to a car is necessary. For further information, please email the Rev. Dr. Nutan Suray: <u>revnutan@gmail.com</u>

The Vine at Home

Please click on this link to view the Vine at Home on the Circuit website. This resource is being provided by Twelvebaskets and is provided as a resource for home worship. <u>https://www.covnunmethodist.org.uk/news/vine-at-home-4th-june-2023.html</u>