

Nuthall Methodist Church



NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE MINISTER'S STUDY

Dear Friends,

When I was little, my mum and dad bought themselves a technological marvel, their first Polaroid camera. For about a week or so afterwards life did not get any more exciting than this. However, once the initial excitement had worn off, reality started to set in. Firstly, they were very expensive to run, so you could only really afford to take one or two photos to mark any occasion. Also, they were a right faff! I think every photo ever taken on our Polaroid was followed by a conversation between my mum and dad about what needed to be done, with protective films being removed and waving the photo paper in the air!

But my most abiding memory of our camera was the time it took for the photo to be developed. To call this an “instant” camera was certainly pushing the Trade Description Act. After every photo there was an interminable wait to see if the photo taken was any good. I guess this is probably why they fell out of favour for quite a long time.

However, there has been a recent renaissance and indeed one of my daughters now has a new “instant” camera, which sits in a draw somewhere! The more recent models are more user friendly, but every picture is still accompanied by the same agonising wait whilst the picture you have taken slowly develops and starts to come into focus.

But even if I do not like this as a consumer product, I do like this idea of a picture slowly coming into focus as we approach our Circuit Vision Day on September 14th.

Our Vision Day is an opportunity for **anyone** to come along and dream about what God wants us to do in our new expanding Circuit. It is a chance for people to be guided in conversation about the values and purpose that we hope will animate and inspire us as we come together.

Vision, of course, has stood at the heart of the mission on the church from the very beginning. One of my favourite vision stories comes from Acts 15. Paul has been travelling round spreading the gospel successfully, but he starts to sense that God wants him to follow a new path. Initially Paul seems to think that he should head towards Asia Minor, but the text says God thought differently. So Paul tries instead to go to Bithynia, but once again God stops him. Overnight, the vision finally comes into focus as Paul dreams of a man from Macedonia asking to come and help them.

This is a crucial moment in the history of the Church, for this is the first time that Paul takes the gospel into Europe. He is heading into a foreign culture, with plenty of challenges to come. Paul has no way of knowing how things will turn out, but that does not matter. For he knows that this vision is from God.

I would imagine that our vision for the new Circuit will not fully come into focus on our Vision Day. But it will be an opportunity to ask God to give us hopes and dreams for our new Circuit and indeed for all of our Churches. This is crucial, for whenever God does bring our vision more sharply into focus, I hope we know that when we trust in Him, when we put our resources, time and energy into his vision for our new Circuit, anything is possible. For when it is God's vision, He "can do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, through his power that is at work within us" (Ephesians 3:20).

Love, peace and joy,
Andrew

SUNDAY SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

Services are held each Sunday at 10.45 am and 6.00 pm.

Junior (ages 7-11) and Primary (ages 3-7) Sunday School meet at 10.45am (except on Family Service Sunday). Late Risers (11+) meet at 6.00pm.

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| 1 st | 10.45am 6.00pm | Mr Steve Corah Stewards |
| 8 th | 10.45am 6.00pm | Rev. John Wiseman Rev. Andrew Charlesworth – Youth Service |
| 15 th | 9.00am 10.45am 6.00pm | Rev. Andrew Charlesworth – Holy Communion Rev. Andrew Charlesworth – Harvest Festival & Family Service Rev. Richard Byass |
| 22 nd | 10.45am 6.00pm | Local Arrangement Rev. Andrew Charlesworth – Holy Communion |
| 29 th | 10.45am 6.00pm | Rev. Andrew Charlesworth – Holy Communion Rev. Sue Edwards |

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Family Service on Sunday 15th September is our Harvest Festival when we will be collecting additional tinned and dried foods for the Bestwood and Bulwell Food Bank which we support throughout the year. Please bring along your donations in addition to your regular gifts to this worthy cause supporting those in desperate need.

NUTHALL NEWS

PRAYER STREETS

Please remember the residents of the following streets in your prayers. Our friends at St. Patrick's Church and the churches in Kimberley are joining with us in this activity. The streets in italics are in Kimberley.

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| September | 1 st | Keats Close & Knightsbridge Drive <i>Brewery Street & Glenfield Avenue</i> |
| | 8 th | Watnall Road, Stanmore Close & Mattingly Road <i>Lawn Mill Road & Bayswater Road</i> |
| | 15 th | Queens Drive & Bloomsbury Drive <i>Hardy Close & Eastwood Road</i> |
| | 22 nd | Buckingham Way & Oakwood Gardens <i>Station Road & Abba Close</i> |
| | 29 th | Canterbury Close & Chelsea Close <i>Critch's Flats, Brown Flats & Lulworth Court</i> |

THANK YOU

Beryl Tantum wishes to say a Big Thank You to those who visited her at QMC and then Wollaton View Care Home after her recent fall. Also, for all the flowers, cards, fruit, chocolates and newspapers. God bless you all.

My Dear Friends. I would like to thank all those who enquired about my health over the last few weeks. My grateful thanks also to Janet who visited with the most beautiful flowers. I can now reassure everyone that I am well on the way to making a good recovery. God bless you all. Diana Nichols.

Hilary and Ken thank everyone for the prayers, flowers, cards, visits and all the concern shown by the church family following Hilary's stroke.

TREASURERS

If you provide a copy of accounts to Peter Stokes please arrange for this as soon as the audits are completed.

HS2/PHASE 2b CONSULATATION AND THE IMPACT ON NUTHALL METHODIST CHURCH AND THE TEMPLE CENTRE

I would like to call an Extraordinary Church Council Meeting with an Engagement Advisory Team for HS2 on Wednesday August 28 t 6.15pm in the church, Having met with representatives of the Planning Department of Broxtowe Borough Council on Monday August 5 at the Temple Centre, I felt it was vital that our church had an opportunity to hear and comment on the impact that this development will have on our mission. Please let one of the stewards know of your intention to attend. John Wilson & Senior Stewards.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We hope everyone has had a fun and restful summer and enjoyed some of our All-Age services. Normal morning Sunday School, Late Risers and Templars all restart on Sunday 1st September, we look forward to seeing all children and young people then.

Could you help with our children and young people's work? We have a fantastic team of volunteers who work with all ages in our Sunday School and Late Risers but would always welcome more help. This could be regularly but there would also be the possibility of adults being available to help on an occasional basis to support the team when regular leaders are away on holiday. All leaders and helpers would need to have a church DBS check and complete Methodist Church Safeguarding Training but this is straightforward. If you are interested then speak to Rev Andrew, Josie Wilcock or any Sunday School teacher or Steward.

JUNIOR MISSION FOR ALL

Please may we remind all our JMA collectors that the 2018/19 collecting year officially finishes at the end of August. If you have one of our yellow collecting boxes please could you pass it to either Marjorie Silverton or Margaret Sendall for emptying as soon as possible and no later than September 22nd. Unfortunately, it does look as if the total for this year is going to be well down on the previous year - perhaps you could consider putting a few extra coins in to help boost our total. Many thanks.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Following on from Joseph we are re-grouping to sing at the Christmas Tree Festival on December 7/8th. Don't worry if you weren't in the Joseph Choir, all are welcome. The rehearsals will start at the end of September and will be on various evenings. Please check the noticeboard for details and sign up. We will sing in the morning on Saturday and probably later afternoon on Sunday so that people will stay on for the evening service if they wish.

CHURCH DIAMOND JUBILEE

It is 60 years since the first church service at Nuthall. There had been a Sunday School at Larkfields School since 1957 and in 1959 a group of Sunday School parents got together and decided to begin evening worship in the school. On October 20th at the Family Service, we shall celebrate this Diamond Jubilee when the preacher will be a former minister, David Speed.

CRAFT AND CONVERSATION

Come and join us for craft and chat. Everyone is welcome Thursdays on 26th September, 10th October, 14th November, 12th December. All at church from 1.30pm to 3.00pm.

COMMUNION

Many of you will already be aware that Communion in the Methodist Church uses alcohol-free wine, partly to make it accessible for all to take. At Nuthall we have decided that we will now also use Gluten-free bread in our Communion Services. We are aware that there are increasing numbers of people with Coeliac disease or other intolerances to gluten, and that even with a gluten-free option available, cross-contamination can be a problem and prevent people from sharing in the Lord's Supper. We hope that moving to use Gluten-free bread for all removes this risk and allows as many of possible in the congregation to share freely in Communion Services. If you have any questions about this please speak to any Steward

GIRLS' BRIGADE

Thanks to Simon Tooth, who is our new treasurer from the autumn. We are looking for extra staff to help out on Wednesday evenings. If you are able to support in any way, please contact Janet Lander on 078899 76342 or any of the other Girls' Brigade staff. Explorers meet from 6 - 7 pm, and Junior and Senior / Brigaders meet from 6.30 - 8.15pm.

ECO CHURCH UPDATE

The Junior department of Sunday school have embraced the Eco Church initiative and have been looking at the land surrounding our church with respect to environmental and conservation issues. They have focused on how we can encourage important wildlife to visit the church grounds and as part of their activities in the Autumn they will be building a *bug hotel* to ensure bugs have somewhere to hibernate for the winter! To do that they will need some fairly common items that they hope can be donated by members of the church. Please see the notice board in the foyer and sign up if you are able to donate any of the items they need!

Crisp packet recycling - did you know that you can recycle crisp packets at RUMBLETUMS in Kimberley? Not only does this help to reduce plastic waster going to landfill but the scheme (run by Walkers and Terracycle) also donates money to Rumbletums based on the weight that they collect. A great way to help both the environment and a local charity in one easy go! All brands of crisp packets are collected!

If you are interested in finding out about Eco Church please contact Sarah Charlesworth or Kathryn Blount.

ACER COURT COFFEE MORNING

Everyone is welcome to come to Acer Court on **Tuesday October 8th at 11.00am** for a coffee morning with the residents.

ACER COURT SUMMER FAIR

Thank you to everyone who baked for and supported the Acer Court Summer Fair, a fabulous £2000 was raised for The Young Carers charity which the home are supporting this year. The cakes were very popular and the one or two, or three, I sampled were delicious.

Sue Perrett and Anne Pounder.

COLOMBIA TRIP

From Saturday 27th July through to Sunday 11th August a team of seven from Nuthall Methodist Church travelled to Bogota, Colombia to support the work being undertaken by 'New hope 4 children' (The UK side of the charity 'Children's Vision International, Inc <http://www.childrensvision.org> Over the two weeks the team, which included 4 under twenties, invested their time and energy in a number of ways, including bricklaying and working on the building site of what will become the central hub of the charity. Other key activities included leading worship, making birthday cakes for the 24 children who had their birthdays in August, providing food and entertainment for Colombia Independence Day and packing and distributing humanitarian aid to a Tin-shack village on the mountains of Bogota. The team would like to thank all those groups and individuals who supported them in their fundraising efforts and who prayed for them as they undertook their journey. There will be an evening of thanksgiving, sharing and reflection from the trip including pictures and videos on **Sunday 8th September 6pm** at Nuthall Methodist Church for anyone who would like to find out more about the trip.



BESTWOOD & BULWELL FOODBANK

Thank you to those who have supported the request to increase giving over the summer break. The Foodbank workers have been most thankful. We have been particularly grateful to the Hama Surgery for two significant donations.

Doug and Margaret have taken the following gifts:

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| May 28 th | 135 items | July 9 th | 176 items |
| June 16 th | 125 items | July 23 rd | 200 items |
| June 25 th | 159 items | August 6 th | 229 items |

We have been asked by the Trussell Trust to stop gifts of sugar.

Our Foodbank is in urgent need of the following:

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| Ready to eat custard (cartons) | Long life fruiti juices |
| Tinned fish | Tinned rice pudding |
| Tinned meat (meat content 75%) | Bottles of squash for diluting |
| Spaghetti hoops | |

Please keep up the good work! Doug, Margaret & John.

LISTENING IN GOD'S LOVE

You may be aware that we are holding a coffee morning to raise funds for 'The Listening Ear' on Saturday, September 7th at 10am. You are all warmly invited for tea/coffee and cakes! Following our meeting with the Acorn Healing Ministries trainers' last week, we are now actively looking to take names to fill 20 vacancies for Module 1 'Effective Listening Practice', to be held on Saturday 28th September 9.30am to 4.00pm.

At the coffee morning, information will be on display and members of the team will be on hand, to answer any questions about the project. Supporting roles are available, for which training is not required. If you think that this is something that the Lord is calling you to be a part of, and would like to join us for the training, please can you let one of the team know as soon as you've decided or email Andrew Charlesworth ach2804@yahoo.co.uk

Thank you for your prayer support for this exciting work for the Lord
Lynn Reynolds, Margaret Farrington, Gail Brockway

NUTHALL METHODIST CHURCH COACH TRIPS 2019



September 7th

Whitby

November 16th

Harrogate Christmas Market

November 30th

Leeds Christmas Shopping

Adults £16.50

Concessions £14.50

Children £10.50

Contact Norma ☎(0115) 9278429

RAISING FUNDS FOR THE NEXT CHURCH COACH

'Elsie' our current coach is now 27 years old and after 12 years solid service with us is becoming more difficult to keep road worthy.

As you may be aware we are raising funds in readiness to purchase our next church Coach when Elsie finally has to be retired.

One of these events is to sponsor a seat, the cost of which is £50 per seat which if we sell all the seats, including the drivers and crew seat, will raise £2750. Once we have sold all the seats we will organise a mystery trip for all those who sponsored a seat, time and place to be arranged.

If you are interested please contact Richard on 07904262756 or Norma on 07879455591. We will keep you informed of the progress by an accumulator set up in the foyer of the church.

CIRCUIT NEWS

Did you know that Nottingham North Circuit Nottingham East Circuit are merging in September 2020?

We recognise that change is difficult and unsettling but we believe God is calling us to do this and we ask for your continued prayers as we evolve and work towards our merger.

Our Vision Day is a great opportunity to plan for mission in our new Nottingham North East Circuit and will shape our purpose, values and priorities for the next 3 years as we consider how to use our resources, especially people, property and finance.

What is God calling you to do? Does your church have ideas for mission that we should include in our planning? Make sure your voice is heard. It is so very important that all churches are represented our Vision Day.

Please come along on Saturday 14th September, 10am at Bestwood Park Church (NG5 5NG). Bring a packed lunch.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SEPTEMBER

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| 4 th | 11.00am | Pause for Prayer |
| 7 th | | Coach Trip to Whitby (see Nuthall News) |
| 7 th | 10.00am | Listening Ear Coffee Morning (see Nuthall News) |
| 8 th | 6.00 | Colombia Trip Sharing & Reflection at church (see Nuthall News) |
| 10 th | 2.00pm | Women's Fellowship – Rev. Andrew Charlesworth |
| 14 th | 2.00pm | BPFA Jumble Sale |
| 14 th | 10.00am | Circuit Vision Day (see Circuit News) |
| 15 th | 7.15pm | Finance & Property Meeting at church |
| 16 th | 7.00pm | BPFA AGM & Committee Meeting at church |
| 26 th | 1.30pm | Craft and Conversation (see Nuthall News) |
| 20 th | 11.00am | Pause for Prayer |
| 24 th | 10.30am | Women's Fellowship Coffee Morning hosted by Mrs. Joyce Housley at church |

OCTOBER

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| 2 nd | 11.00am | Pause for Prayer |
| 8 th | 11.00am | Acer Court Coffee Morning |
| 10 th | 1.30pm | Craft and Conversation (see Nuthall News) |

DUTIES AND ROTAS FOR SEPTEMBER

CHURCH FLOWERS

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| September | 1st | Helena Page wedding | 8 th | Joyce Housley |
| | 15 th | Gill Stokes | 22 nd | Beryl Tantum |
| | 29 th | Janet Dale | | |

TODDLERS' DRINKS ROTA

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| September | 4 th | Ann Knight, Sue & Ken Shepherd |
| | 11 th | Joan Buttery & Sue Perrett |
| | 18 th | Gail Evans, Janice Matthews & Margaret Newton |
| | 25 th | Marjorie Silverton, Margaret & Mick Sendall |

Thank you to all the helpers. It is very much appreciated. This year will be thirty years of Toddlers at Nuthall Methodist Church. Well done to everyone who has been involved over the years. Thank you to Gail Brockway, Sarah Foster and Sandra Lanford for first starting it.

COFFEE CORNER

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| September | 7 th | Listening Ear | 14 th | Peter & Gill |
| | 21 st | Heather & Fiona | 28 th | Ann & Michael |



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SUNDAY SERVICE DUTIES FOR SEPTEMBER

| | | <u>Duty Steward</u> | <u>Readers</u> | <u>Door Stewards</u> | <u>Pianist</u> |
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| 1 st | 10.45 | D. Coleman | S. Bowerman R. Foley | M. Sliverton & J. Matthews | J.Wakefield |
| | 6.00 | J. Dent | C. Milne P. Corah | L. Reynolds & M. Farrington | J. Wilson |
| 8 th | 10.45 | B. Langford | A. & J. Greaves | J. & M. Randall | L. Page |
| | 6.00 | K. Blount | | S. & P. Charlesworth | Youth Service |
| 15 th | 9.00 | S. Perrett | | | L. Page |
| | 10.45 | C. Lovatt | G. Heffernan M. Laughton | The Bales family | J. Wilson |
| | 6.00 | B. Langford | M. Silverton G. Brockway | S. Moore & P. Wilson | J. Wilson |
| 22 nd | 10.45 | J. Wilson | P. Owen R. Jackson | K. & H. Cameron | J.Wakefield |
| | 6.00 | S. Perrett | R. & V Stone | M. & M. Sendall | J. Wilson |
| 29 th | 10.45 | J. Dent | P. & G. Stokes | P. & J. Owen | J.Wakefield |
| | 6.00 | K. Blount | B. Coleman A. Wilcock | R. & B. Jackson | P. Hindle |



**Please pass all items for the October newsletter
to Margaret Sendall, post in the box in the Coffee Lounge
or e-mail to mesendall@hotmail.com
by September 22nd , please**

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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| Sunday | 9.00am | Holy Communion (3 rd Sunday of the month) |
| | 10.45am | Morning Worship (crèche for ages 0 to 3) Sunday School (ages 3 to 11) Family Service (3 rd Sunday of the month) |
| | 6.00pm | Evening Worship Youth Service (2 nd Sunday of the month) 'Late Risers' (ages 11+) |
| | 7.00pm | Templars Youth Fellowship |
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| Monday | 7.00pm | Ladies' Keep Fit |
| Tuesday | 12.00noon | Midweek Communion (1 st Tues. of the month) |
| | 2.00pm | Women's Fellowship (2 nd Tues. of the month) |
| | 7.45pm | Badminton & Table Tennis Club |
| | 8.00pm | Wives Group (1 st & 3 rd Tues. of month, in homes) |
| Wednesday | 10.00am | Nuthall Methodist Church Walking Group (3 rd Wednesday of the month - contact M. Sendall ☎ 9279500 for meeting point details) |
| | 11.00am | Pause for Prayer (1 st Wed. of the month) |
| | 1.30pm | Toddlers' Group |
| | 6.00pm | Girls' Brigade (Explorers – age 5 to 8) |
| | 6.30pm | Girls' Brigade (Juniors – age 8 to 11) |
| | 6.30pm | Girls' Brigade (Seniors & Brigaders – age 11+) |
| Thursday | 1.30pm | Art Group |
| | 6.15pm | Dance Yourself Fit (2 nd & 4 th Thurs. of the month) |
| Friday | 9.00am | Prayer Meeting |
| | 11.00am | Pause for Prayer (3 rd Fri. of the month) |
| | 5.55pm | Boys' Brigade (Junior Section – age 8 to 11) |
| | 6.00pm | Boys' Brigade (Anchor Boys – age 5 to 8) |
| | 6.50pm | Boys' Brigade (Company Section – age 11+) |
| Saturday | 10.00am | Coffee Corner - Come and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, homemade cakes & a chat with friends |

**A list of House Fellowship and Bible Study groups is available
on the noticeboard in the Coffee Lounge**