

# NEWSLETTER August 2021

# FROM THE STEWARDS TEAM

### **Dear Friends**

As we enter August and approach the end of the Methodist year the stewarding team prepare for changes in personnel as Caroline and I have reached the end of our time in office.

I cannot remember what my expectations were when I was asked to become a steward, but I am certain they were different to how it has turned out. Challenging? Yes. Unexpected? Yes. Wish I had said no? Certainly not. I've enjoyed my 4 and a bit years and would recommend to anyone thinking about the role in future to say yes. (As a note to future stewards, however, consider that the first time I was senior steward, we could not meet in church because we knocked the building down. This time, we could not meet in church because of a global pandemic. It is not a great CV.)

We are happy that Pat Corah and Stephane Chambrelan have agreed to take on the role of steward and join the team.

Unfortunately, due to work commitments and personal reasons, Chris Page needs to step down as steward. We thank Chris for what he has brought to the team in the last year and hope everything goes to plan. One door closing means another door opens so this does present an ideal opportunity for someone to join the steward team on a 3-year deal instead of the normal 4.

I would like to thank all the stewards, past & present, that I have worked with; all the helpful advice received; all the encouragement and all requests for help that were answered. It has certainly presented its challenges, but I will look back with far more good memories than bad.

As we move into September, we are in good hands as Kathryn and Dave step up as senior stewards. I hope we can all, as a church body, make the New Year resolution to support them when they need help; to recognise their decisions are made based on the needs and wishes of all the church and to make any criticism constructive and based in love and kindness.

We have a fantastic opportunity to come out of this pandemic as a stronger church if we look forward and embrace the changes that will come. If we continue to support each other and look after everyone in our church family. If we continue to welcome strangers into our building. If we recognise that sometimes, we need to put our feelings to one side for the wider benefit of others. And most importantly, we continue to pray, to listen to God and to act for God.

Barry Langford (Senior Steward)



# SUNDAY SERVICES FOR AUGUST

For August we will continue holding a 'hybrid' version of worship on alternate Sundays, with the morning service held in Church and simultaneously streamed on Zoom and there will be no evening service. The following week, the morning service will be streamed via Zoom only and the evening service will be held in person, in Church.

Sunday August 29th sees Rev. Andrew return from Sabbatical, so there will be in person worship at church both morning and evening, as well as a zoom service in the morning. Communion will be taken at the evening service on this date.

1 <sup>st</sup>	10.45am 6.00pm	Mr. David Blount (Zoom & In Church) No Service
8 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am 6.00pm	Mr. John Wilson (Zoom only) Rev. Richard Byass (In Church)
15 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am 6.00pm	Dr. Cathy Milne (Zoom & In Church) No Service
22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.45am 6.00pm	Rev. David & Mrs. Anne Speed (Zoom only) Mr. Colin Wignall (In Church)
29 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am 6.00pm	Rev. Andrew Charlesworth (Zoom & In Church) Rev. Andrew Charlesworth – Holy Communion (In Church)

The Zoom meeting details are unchanged.

Meeting ID: 885 5454 1347 Passcode: 067087

As a steward team, we welcome the relaxation of rules and the increased opportunities it gives us to meet and to worship. However, infection rates are still extremely high, and we must continue to be vigilant. The virus has not disappeared just because Government rules are relaxed. We also recognise that many people continue to be nervous about meeting, so we ask that everyone continues to respect each other as we move forwards and shows the same consideration and kindness you have displayed at all the services we have had since we returned to church. We will be reviewing the risk assessment for worship after the official guidance is finalised on July 19th and if the expected changes are agreed then we will provide the updated advice at each service.

- a) We still want to be able to notify people if someone at a service contracts Covid so we will continue to take a register. Pre-booking, via the mobile number, will continue so that this task is made easier on the day of the service. (It is much easier to tick off a pre-prepared list than to write it as people arrive). So pre-booking is not necessary but would be much appreciated.
- b) Face masks may not be mandatory by law, but we ask that you continue to wear them. This will help minimise the risk of transmission, especially when we are allowed to sing again.
- c) The layout of the church will remain as it is so that people can spread out if they wish even if social distancing is no longer a legal requirement.
- d) When singing is allowed, we encourage people to sit towards the front of the church to allow anyone that still feels nervous to sit at the back.
- e) Doors and windows will continue to be opened to increase ventilation.
- f) Hand sanitisation is still recommended when visiting church and hand gel will continue to be available.

#### **DUTY STEWARDS**

August 1st	10.45am	David Coleman
August 8 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Caroline Lovatt
August 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am	Sue Perrett
August 22 <sup>nd</sup>	6.00pm	Rachel Jackson
August 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.45am 6.00pm	Sue Perrett Kathryn Blount

# REV. ANDREW'S SABBATICAL

Rev. Andrew is on sabbatical until August 24th.

Over this time, cover will be provided by the Circuit Staff team. If church issues, pastoral matters or other situations arise, please contact Catherine Smith, one of our Circuit Administrators, who will be able to direct you to one of the team who can help. Richard, our co-Superintendent is another person to contact and David (Speed) has also kindly offered to help out with pastoral matters during this period.



Please submit any items for the September newsletter to Cathy Milne **by Sunday August 22**<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you.

## **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.

August	1 <sup>st</sup>	Horsendale Avenue, Wimbledon Drive & Mitchell Close
	-th	High Street & Dale Road
	8 <sup>th</sup>	Nightingale Close, Houghton Close & Irwin Drive
		Knowle Hill & Orchard Street
	15 <sup>th</sup>	The Paddocks, Vernon Drive & New Farm Lane
		Goodwin Drive & Noel Street
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Greenford Close & Mornington Crescent
		Awsworth Lane & Colly Gate
	29 <sup>th</sup>	Keats Close & Knightsbridge Drive
		Brewery Street & Glenfield Avenue



#### **RUBY WEDDING**

Colin and Gail Brockway would like to invite everyone to an open house and garden, to celebrate their Ruby Wedding Anniversary on Sunday August 22nd from 2.00pm till 5.00pm. Please feel free to pop in and enjoy coffee, tea, cakes and biscuits.

Donations for Cancer Research and Maggie's will be gratefully received so no cards or presents please, just your presence.

#### **CELEBRATION OF LIFE**

Please come and join us at Church on Saturday September 25<sup>th</sup> at 3.00pm for a Celebration of Life service for Chris Talbot, Gail's sister, followed by a bite to eat, a cuppa and the chance to share our memories. No formal attire required - dress for a celebration.

#### ATTENTION, ALL ORGANISATION TREASURERS!

If you normally provide Peter Stokes with a copy of your accounts for the church accounts could you please arrange this for as soon after the end of August as possible. If there has been no action on the accounts then please submit a nil return. Many thanks.

#### JUNIOR MISSION FOR ALL

Many thanks to our conscientious collectors who are still gathering in their money and bringing it to us. Please may we remind you all that the collecting year comes to a close at the end of August, and we would very much appreciate your donations as soon after that as possible. Throughout the pandemic the work of JMA has become even more important - please give as generously as you can. Boxes, and other monetary donations, can be delivered to either of us. It is also possible to pay by BACS if this is more convenient for you – please contact Margaret for details.

After a combined total of more than 70 years (Marjorie has served for 48 years!), we have decided to retire as JMA Secretaries at the end of August. We are very anxious that the work of JMA should continue at Nuthall. Therefore, we are appealing to anyone who feels that this is a role that they can take on to please speak to either of us. It is not an onerous task and can easily be tailored to suit your circumstances. Thank you.

Marjorie Silverton & Margaret Sendall

#### **BESTWOOD & BULWELL FOODBANK**

As we continue to take care of ourselves, more people become needy of the food we send fortnightly to the Foodbank. Our giving has fallen over the past months and urgently requires an uplift.



Doug and Margaret are delivering an average of 150 items per fortnight – a target we set, when we began, as a weekly contribution.

Will you prayerfully consider those less fortunate than yourselves when you do your weekly shopping, or, as some do already, give a monetary gift instead. I know our Christian Fellowship can step up. Our Lentern gifts amounted to 625 items plus £40 in cash!

Grateful thanks as ever to those who faithfully play their part.

While the Church continues to be closed gifts can be left on Monday or Thursday at our homes.

Doug, Margaret and John

#### GREETINGS CARDS

All greetings cards are still available! As well as birthdays (and special birthdays) there are sympathy, thinking of you, get well, all anniversaries, weddings, etc. etc. all in stock. All 75p for Christian Aid. Just ring or call. Janet Wilson

#### MINISTER

Rev. Andrew Charlesworth 2 Fairburn Way, Watnall, Notts, NG16 1GH (Day off – Monday) **2** 8757414

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#### SENIOR STEWARDS

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Caroline Lovatt

#### IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM NUTHALL PARISH COUNCIL



# Defibrillator Training O All the basics to know in an emergency



If an emergency occurred in front of you, would you know what to do? Do you know where your local defibrillator kit is?

Nuthall has several defibrillators available for public use in an emergency situation but many of us would not know how to use this life-saving bit of kit.

Nuthall Parish Council & Nuthall and District Community First Responders have organised free training sessions to teach you how and when to use a defibrillator Tuesday 10th August 10am at Horsendale Centre

Tuesday 10th August 7pm at Temple Centre Monday 16th August 10am at Basil Russell Monday 16th August 7pm at Horsendale Centre

Whilst all of these sessions are free to attend, places are very limited so please book early.

To reserve your place, email your name, contact number and session preference to NPCEvents@Outlook.com



# **Nuthall Parish Council**

FREE defibrillator training now available

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Places are limited!