



Cannock Chase Methodist Circuit



Worship for Easter Day, Sunday 4th April

Happy Easter to you all

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Our Services

As always, we have prepared a Circuit Service on YouTube which will be available from 9am on Sunday 4th April. Our Worship this week is led by our circuit superintendent Rev'd Nigel Young and members of the congregation at St Stephen's in Cannock

You can find this video at <https://youtu.be/-hW0gGpaPkU>

And on the YouTube Channel for St Stephen's Methodist Church

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCV6zqsSPYw0zUXI-QCtBwsA>

If you have a Smart TV that shows YouTube just search for

St Stephen's Methodist Church

We have some online worship services on Sunday which are mostly broadcast using Zoom

Chasetown Methodist Church at 10am

Contact Carol Whitson via the church email chasetownmethodist@gmail.com or use the contact form on website www.chasetownmethodistchurch.org.uk to get the connection details.

Salem Methodist Church in Cheslyn Hay at 10.15am.

Contact Mark Timothy on mark.timothy1@virginmedia.com to get the connection details.

Circuit Sunday Club at **Handsacre Methodist Church** at 2pm

Fun activities for all ages, games, Bible stories, prayer, discussion, craft, music.

Contact Melody Jones layworkermelody@hotmail.com for more details

Handsacre Methodist Church at 4pm

Contact Andrew Jones at andrew.melody@hotmail.co.uk to get the connection details.

Jan Burns is promoting some services using phone-in technology for **Bethel Church** and the community around them. Contact Jan on jan.burns@safeandsettled.co.uk for more details.

Barbara Sigley is also using phone-in technology in **Great Wyrley**. This is proving popular especially amongst those without internet. Contact Barbara if you want more details.

St Stephens phone in service is at 3pm every Sunday afternoon, again popular for those without internet. Contact Alison Baker, Val Ward or Barbara Brooks for all the phone numbers and how to join.

Watch on Catch-Up Chasetown and Handsacre services are posted on YouTube, so if you missed the service, you can still see what was said and sung.

Chasetown catch-up can be found at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0Oo7BQCUZ_65EZXHtvOyQA.

Handsacre catch-up can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZIWX-2IycKl2FF2paXwJ1g>.

Special Services for Easter Weekend in our circuit

On Zoom ... Access code 749 0422 4939

Maundy Thursday 7pm

A service of meditation and Bible readings around the Last Supper and Jesus in Gethsemane. There will be hand washing so bring a bowl of water and towel to your table.

Good Friday

10 am A walk of witness. Come and walk with Jesus in Galilee. Pray with him in Gethsemane
7pm a service of Bible readings and meditations on the last hours before his death.

Easter Sunday 10.30am

Easter worship from Chase own Methodist Church Keith Rothery to preach

In Person ... Services of Holy Communion to be held in churches with Rev Margaret Eales

9am Bourne Methodist Church

10am Burntwood Methodist Church

11am Chase terrace Methodist Church

12 noon Norton Canes Methodist Church

6pm Chasetown Methodist Church.

Please contact the church stewards of the churches to book yourself a seat before the day.

Still NOT Opening Up for services - just to remind you. Because of the Lock-down III Regulations applying from 6th January 2021 our churches are strongly advised not to open their buildings for worship. Your stewards will have further details if you need them. Some churches are offering some form of worshipful gathering, on Zoom or via telephones and conference calls. The individual church stewards will know what is happening in your church. know what is happening in your church. The latest advice from the offices of the Methodist Church in London is here <https://www.methodist.org.uk/about-us/coronavirus/>

Things are changing ... but don't be too concerned.

We have been thinking about how we communicate stuff to you from the circuit, and this is what will happen. We are going to make more use of our website <https://www.cannockchasemethodists.org.uk/>.

This bulletin will be available on the website under **News** every week from Friday of the week before.

The link for the Circuit YouTube service will also be on the website under **Services** again from Friday.

We hope to highlight *everything* that you read here, on the website, making it a "one stop shop".

We have also had a mind-numbing look at copyright law as it applies to Zoom, YouTube and Facebook. As a result of this the YouTube services will now be associated with particular churches in the circuit, changing every week. The associated church will have its own YouTube Channel and the video will be hosted there, although there will be a copy for a limited time on the circuit's own YouTube channel to make it easier for you to find. I will be interested to know how you get on with this.

We are also using our circuit **Facebook** page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2095562297397404> and this too will have a copy of this bulletin from Friday each week, and a link for the Circuit YouTube service from Saturday morning.

But some things stay the same ... This bulletin will continue to be sent directly to everyone who puts together your notice sheet, as well as your stewards who are the fount of all knowledge. And if you want to know stuff, then drop me an email, mark.timothy1@virginmedia.com, and I will try and help.



Prayer changes things. Every **Tuesday night at 7.30** there is a short prayer meeting for 30 minutes followed by a bible study. Normally about 6-9 people attend from all over the circuit. And the best way to learn how to pray, of course, is to pray regularly, and it is easier with other folk, even if you just listen. Join us at 7:30 every Tuesday on Zoom. You can use the link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7711426177>. [Melody Jones](#) has more information.

Every Tuesday there is an online coffee morning from 10-12 which we call **Tuesday Chat**. This is simply an opportunity for folk across the circuit to chat together, share news and play around with the technology. All you have to do is follow this link and log on for a group chat. Come and have a chat about all these changes in an informal and free manner

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89707949919>. Meeting ID: 897 0794 9919



NEW

The Methodist Church
Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury District



**** This changes every week ****

The **Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District** of the Methodist Church, of which we are a part, have a weekly newsheet which tells you what is going on in the district.

It is always a good read and can be found here. **New this week**

<https://mailchi.mp/c8e6b90a4955/from-the-district-office-5429901?e=5e93f934b9>

Have fun EVERY Sunday - 2pm to 3pm

Circuit Sunday Club at Handsacre Methodist Church

Sunday School used to be a little bit boring and somewhere that our parents made us go to. Not anymore. And every Sunday on Zoom Melody Jones is leading a whole raft of fun activities for all ages, games, Bible stories, prayer, discussion, craft, music. Now this is on Zoom, so you can all watch together. It is just the thing for after lunch on a Sunday, have a story, play a game, make a craft. What is not to like. *Why not join in yourself with your grandchildren and children!!* Run by Melody Jones, so contact her at the addresses above if you would like more details.

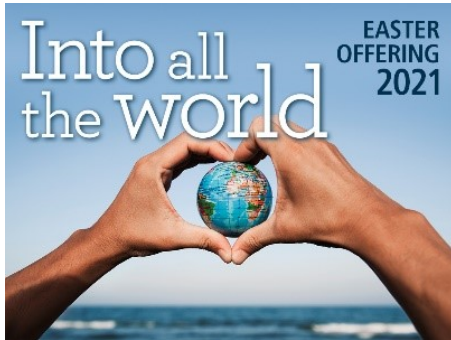
Climate Change The [Joint Public Issues Team \(JPIT\)](#) is made up of the Baptist Union, the Church of Scotland, the Methodist Church and the United Reformed Church, working together for peace and justice. They campaign on various issues and have produced a YouTube video relating to Climate Change. They have suggested that one Sunday should focus on Climate change and it can be found [here](#). There is also an initiative within our Methodist District to promote an **Eco-Church** and more details can be found on the Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury Methodist District Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/606175246595216/>.

This is important to some members of our fellowships, and we have designated Sunday 9th May as our Climate Sunday and will be offering worship and events to tie in with this.

Two job opportunities. We are **still** looking for a **Circuit Property Secretary**. In very brief summary, we are looking for someone to maintain the Manses and to help the individual Church Property secretaries in their roles. You also attend a Circuit Leadership Meeting where you report back. This is obviously a job for those of you who are practically minded and we can provide a fuller job description if you are interested.

We are also looking for a **Circuit Safeguarding Officer** as Barry Tointon is stepping down. A huge thank you to Barry as he has done a sterling job, in difficult times. This is a vital job and we would like you to think carefully and pray about this.

The first step is probably to talk to your minister, and register an interest.



Easter Offering 2021

Into All The World

Into All The World is an opportunity for churches, circuits and districts to celebrate God's mission activity. It includes the dedication of the Easter Offering, all of which goes to the World Mission Fund of the Methodist Church in Britain, supporting and working with 65 Partner Churches around the world. More information on the Easter Offering 2021 can be found here

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/worship/lent-and-easter/easter-offering>

If you would like to contribute to the Easter Offering, then as we are not gathering, have a word with your stewards or treasurer. Either send them a cheque or, more preferably, use bank transfer to send the money to the church account. Just make sure that your treasurer knows that this is money for the Easter Offering 2021

And importantly once again, if you need anything, get in touch, either through stewards, your minister or direct to me, mark.timothy1@virginmedia.com. We can probably help and if we can't, we probably know someone who can! ... and we're all always available to pray with you.

If you have any news that you think I should circulate then let me know as it is really great to include what is happening across our circuit. mark.timothy1@virginmedia.com

Other Worship

Home service sheets from the Methodist Church can be found following this [link](#).

Methodist Central Hall Westminster - Sundays 11.00 - www.youtube.com/mchwevents

Wesley's Chapel London live-streamed from the chapel as the Minister lives on the premises – Sundays 11am www.youtube.com/channel/UCUAUqhmhevz5sqhh72LIMxA

And if you want to try something different ...

Why not have a look at the services for the Isle of Man - [MMAST - Manx Methodists at Service Together](#).

This is their YouTube Channel and it is a little different from Cannock Chase

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQDyhDDSLuGg3Rzdvu3Ge8g>