



Cannock Chase Methodist Circuit



Bulletin for January 2024

Welcome ... and Happy New Year everyone

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Welcome to the Circuit Bulletin for January. There will inevitably be weekly updates. It is published by me – Mark Timothy, your circuit lay worker – and you can contact me on email using layworkerMark@gmail.com or by phone on 07526 232687.

Anybody can receive this bulletin, so if you would like to get in on a regular email, then simply drop me a line requesting this. Do the same if you would like to stop receiving this by email.

Our Services for January ... and the churches are ordered alphabetically!!!

2024		January			
		7 th	14 th	21 st	28 th
BETHEL	5.00 pm	Hagerman	Lowther	Timothy	LA
BRERETON	10.30 am	Sigley	US @ St Paul's	Alexander	J. Jenkins
BURNTWOOD	10.30 am	PLA	Ryder	Rev Parkes	A. Jenkins
CANNOCK WOOD	6.00 pm	Rothery	Ryder	LA	Trigg
CHADSMOOR	10.30 am	Ambler	Ambler	LA	Cowell
	6.00 pm	Contemporary	Glover	Ambler	Hagerman
CHASETOWN	10.30 am	Glover	PLA - Café	US @ Burntwood	A. Jenkins
FEATHERSTONE	11.00 am	Hagerman	LA	Devey	Rothery
HANDSACRE	9.30 am	Haywood	US @ St Paul's	LA	S. Parkes
MILL STREET	11.00 am	Lowther		Hoe	-
PENKRIDGE	10.30 am	LA	Hagerman	Bates	Haywood
SALEM	11.00 am	Whitson	Ambler	Ryder	LA
	4.00 pm			-	-
St PAUL'S	11.00 am	Timothy	Hoe	LA	C. Parkes
	6.00 pm	Ambler		-	-
St STEPHEN'S	10.30 am	Alexander	LA	Hagerman	Hagerman
TRINITY BOURNE	11.00 am	Boot	Cowell	Ambler	LA
UPPER LANDYWOOD	10.30 am	US @ Wesley	Trigg	Glover	LA
WYRLEY WESLEY	11.00 am	Hoe	LA	S. Parkes	Ambler

There is also a service at **BRIER HILL NURSING HOME** on Friday January 26th at 11:15am

The full plan for the quarter can be found on the Circuit Website at
<https://www.cannockchasemethodists.org.uk/lib/F798164.pdf>

These preachers are taken from the plan, and inevitably some things will have changed since it was published. Therefore, if you have any questions, or need some confirmation, please ask your local stewards who will certainly know – I probably will not know.

Coming up this weekend

Trinity Bourne are continuing with thier monthly Tea and Coffee morning, now to be held in Heath Hayes Library. It is a good event and the bacon sandwiches are great!



WHO LET THE DADS OUT? ... and its Free

Saturday 6th January 10-12
St Stephen's Methodist Church
Bideford Way, just by the shops
Table Tennis, Pool, Xbox, Craft
Bacon Baps, Toast, Tea & Coffee
All Dads, Grandads, Step-Dads, Foster Dads,
indeed any father figure 18+, and all their kids
welcome,
Children must be accompanied

Toys for the children to play with
Tea, coffee & great food
Give mum some time off
Meet other dads

www.cff.org.uk/wltdo
Who Let The Dads Out? is part of Care for the Family, a registered charity (ENGLAND AND WALES: 1098905; SCOTLAND: SC038497)

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ststephensdadsandkids
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As always
Chadsmoor Methodist Church
are hosting their monthly
contemporary service on
Sunday 7th January at 6pm. This
is led by Claire Parkes and is well
worth a look.



Coffee Morning Heath Hayes Library

10.00-12.00

Saturday, 6th January

Bacon sandwiches,
toasted teacakes,
toast, drinks, and
cakes

Everyone welcome!



And yet more Bacon Sandwiches are on offer at
St Stephen's Methodist Church on Saturday
morning where we host **Who let the Dads Out**

Ping-pong with your kids, table football, and a
quick game of pool with another Dad ... it is a
fabulous time

Contemporary Service

Sunday 7th January 6pm

Chadsmoor Methodist Church
Cannock Road. WS11 5DD

Speaker: Claire Parkes

ALL WELCOME

Why not join us for our fellowship meal after the service:
Choose either Lasagne or Vegetable Lasagne 🌱.
Please order your Meal BY Thursday 4th Jan. Via social Media or call
07967979309

And a week later at
Chasetown Methodist Church
is the monthly TGIS Service

Saturday 13th January
7pm to about 9pm

Thank God Its Saturday

This week there will be an evening of
Christmas Praise and Worship
as December's event had to be postponed.
There will be **Drama from Carol and Geoff** who are
always magnificent.

Belated

Christmas
T.G.I.S.

T.G.I.S. ~ (Thank God it's Saturday!)

The Cannock Chase Circuit Praise Evening

Chasetown Methodist Church

Lawnswood Avenue, Chasetown

Saturday 13th January 7:00

Join us for an evening of Christmas Praise and Worship

with singing led by the TGIS Worship Band

Featuring Christmas Drama with

Carol Whitson and Geoff Tunnicliffe



SING
FOR
FUN

SATURDAY 27TH JANUARY
BETHEL METHODIST CHURCH
BRIDGTOWN
10-11.30 AM

BRING AND SHARE SECULAR SONGS
SHANTIES AND SONGS OF THE SPIRIT

A new initiative from Bethel Church
... put it in your diaries.

From Graham Lowther
*If you enjoy singing for fun or just in the shower,
then why not join us on for this relaxed time of
music making.*
Please invite your friends and family.

There is a Men's Group in
our circuit that exists to
support guys.

As Graham Lowther
expresses it

Faith, Food and Friendship
Men Chat continues to
provide opportunities for
men across the Circuit to
meet together.

If you haven't joined so far,
then please get in touch with me and you will be very welcome.

Here are the activities for January to March 2024. Transport available if needed.





MEN CHAT
FAITH, FOOD AND
FRIENDSHIP
THURSDAY EVENINGS FROM 7.30PM
JANUARY TO MARCH 2024

18TH JANUARY- KHATRI'S IN RUGELEY

1ST FEBRUARY- OLDE PECULIAR IN HANDSACRE – QUIZ

15TH FEBRUARY- ALL THINGS LENT- DETAILS TO BE CONFIRMED

29TH FEBRUARY- LINFORD ARMS IN CANNOCK

14TH MARCH – KHATRI'S

28TH MARCH – OLDE PECULIAR QUIZ

OPEN TO MEN OF ALL AGES

FURTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE FROM GRAHAM LOWTHER

It is great to meet with other men ... and there are other groups within the circuit that also meet.
Contact Graham for more details ... or me, layworkermark@gmail.com



The Methodist Church

Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury District



The Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District of the Methodist Church - <https://www.wsmethodist.org.uk> - of which we are a part, have a weekly newssheet which tells you what is going on in the district. It is always a good read, includes training course information, job opportunities and forthcoming events. It can be found here.

<https://mailchi.mp/28d2ea2ca345/from-the-district-office-8778228?e=e57ffc4d91>

And finally, some sad news ... and you may already be aware ...

Michael Taylor, much loved from the St Stephen's congregation, and Geoff Hackett, known for his fine organ playing throughout the circuit, have both died. They were both members of the St Stephen's Men's Group as well as being part of their worshipping communities, and will both be greatly missed.

What about my church?



If you have an event on,
let me know at layworkerMark@gmail.com
and I will make every effort to include it.

Don't assume that I already know ... because I probably don't!

God Bless you all