

CIRCUIT BULLETIN

Cannock Chase Circuit

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12.02 2025

Here's an update!

The circuit meeting voted overwhelmingly for the plans proposed for The Wesley Centre at Mill Street to proceed. There seems to be energy and excitement for the project and the staff team are feeling that too. Work will begin in the next few weeks to clear office and storage spaces, book technicians to install the audio - visual equipment and slowly move things forward so that the vision becomes reality and the mission of God through the Methodist people in Cannock can flourish. Sunday worship services at Mill Street will continue as always.

The meeting also voted overwhelmingly for the CLT to request permission to withdraw the circuit profile from the stationing process. This process will take a few weeks during which time the staff team will scope what the future of pastoral oversight will look like. *The circuit staff team*

The **Methodist** Church 

A friendly request

Please be patient while the staff team work to confirm arrangements for September 2025. We realise that there is some anxiety around "who the minister will be" as we move to the 2 presbyter model agreed last year. No church will be left without the leadership and care you need from the circuit staff team. It feels as though there are lots of plates spinning at the moment and we're trying not to drop any.

Dates for your diary and for prayer

15.02.25: Local Church Safeguarding Officers meeting
Mill Street Methodist Church 9:30—11:30am.

16.02.25: Rev Samuel Silungwe at St Pauls LEP to "preach with a view" to being invited to minister amongst us in the Mid-Staffs URC area. 11am.

23.02.25: Service of thanksgiving for the mission and ministry at Brereton Methodist Church 2pm. Parking at GP surgery opposite.

03.03.25: Rev Sam on sabbatical until 02.06.2025. Details of cover arrangements to follow.

04.03.25: Ash Wednesday

07.03.25: World Day of Prayer

The children's word for 2025 is KINDNESS—with thanks to John Alexander for reflecting on this at a recent local preachers meeting.

As one of the fruits of the spirit, we're called to be kind to one another, to those we meet wherever we go, and to ourselves. Kindness is a demonstration of love ~ the greatest commandment.

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." Matthew 22:37-40)