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Due to the new law that was enforced in May this year (GDPR) we are now required to seek permission from people or groups using a contact number, particularly on the Circuit Bulletin which has a wider viewing due to this being published on the web. Please check that contact names and telephone numbers are agreed first before sending in your advert. Many thanks.

#### SILVERDALE METHODIST CHURCH

#### LADIES FELLOWSHIP

#### Wednesdays at 7.00 pm

**Programme** 10<sup>th</sup> October 17<sup>th</sup> October **Speaker** Julie Ellis Peter Mitchell



## **Minnie Pit Centennial Concert**

Sat. 13th October 2018 at 7.00 pm

With Audley Ladies Choir, soloists Philip Cartwright and Denise Leigh with Stefan Andrusyschyn and other local artists





Church Anniversary

Sun. 14<sup>th</sup> October at 3.00 pm With Rev'd Joy Ventom followed by a tea www.halmerendmethodists.org.uk

## **Information-from Connexion**

<u>'Reaffirming Our Calling: the future call of the</u> <u>Methodist Church'</u>

Please click here to view this document.

Or view it on our website:

www.northstaffordshiremethodists.org.uk



## Wolstanton Methodist Church Café Church

Saturday 13th October 2018 from 11.00am to 12.15pm (Led between 11.15am and 11.45am, led by John Palmer)

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## THE WESLEY GUILD

A weekly CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP which meets on a Monday Evening during the winter months in the Church Meeting Room. This year's programme includes talks on local people and places, Community Services, Libraries, the Railways, a variety of music and even a Quiz. Something for both men and women

TRADITIONAL START TO THE WINTER PROGRAMME DINNER AT LUNCHTIME MONDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2018 A 3 course meal for £9 12.30 pm for 1 00 pm

IN THE LOUNGE - GROSVENOR PLACE



Help women support families in Malawi, Ethiopia, Honduras and Burkina Faso COFFEE MORNING-Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October FREE ENTRY - EVERYONE WELCOME (Organised by the Madeley Churches) At Madeley Methodist Church Hall 10.30-12.30 Tea/coffee with cake £1.

Stalls-Cake & Bake; Garden Produce; Store Cupboard; Books Every £1 raised will be increased to £5 by the EU, (£200 will become £1000 and so on.)

#StandTogether

Wild and POI charity on. 2021/4/92 Company Int. 420928. The Obrietien Aid Anthreas Genutean Nocks Manay related through and Harvest 10118 Append in **Circuit Prayer & Praise Meeting** 

Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7.30 pm (Coffee/tea from 7.00 pm)

#### at Baldwins Gate Methodist Church

All are welcome to join us in this time of worship, quiet reflection and prayer.



Invite you to a meal followed by a talk given by our District President Kath Roberts.

Higherland Methodist Church 17<sup>th</sup> October

12.30 pm for 1.00 pm sit down

£11.00 a head

Money raised to be given to Hope for Justice (our District Presidents charity that works to bring an end to modern slavery.)

Names and menu choices to Karen Barnett by 8<sup>th</sup> October Tel. 01782 256060

Email kantbarnett@ntlworld.com



Tomato or broccoli and stilton soup Beef or chicken breast (vegetarian option available) Assorted gateaux Tea and coffee

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#### **The New Church Plant**

... Services will take place on

Sundays 21<sup>st</sup> October, 11<sup>th</sup> November,

9<sup>th</sup> December and 23<sup>rd</sup> December, all at 4.00 pm

at Newcastle Methodist Church

All are very welcome – please come and join us.

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Baldwins Gate Methodist Church

**Monday Fellowship** 

Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 2.00 pm

## "Annual General Meeting"

All Welcome

BALDWINS GATE METHODIST CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

(now on the first Thursday of every month)

THURSDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER

10.30 AM - 12.00 NOON



CAKE STALL, EVERYONE WELCOME

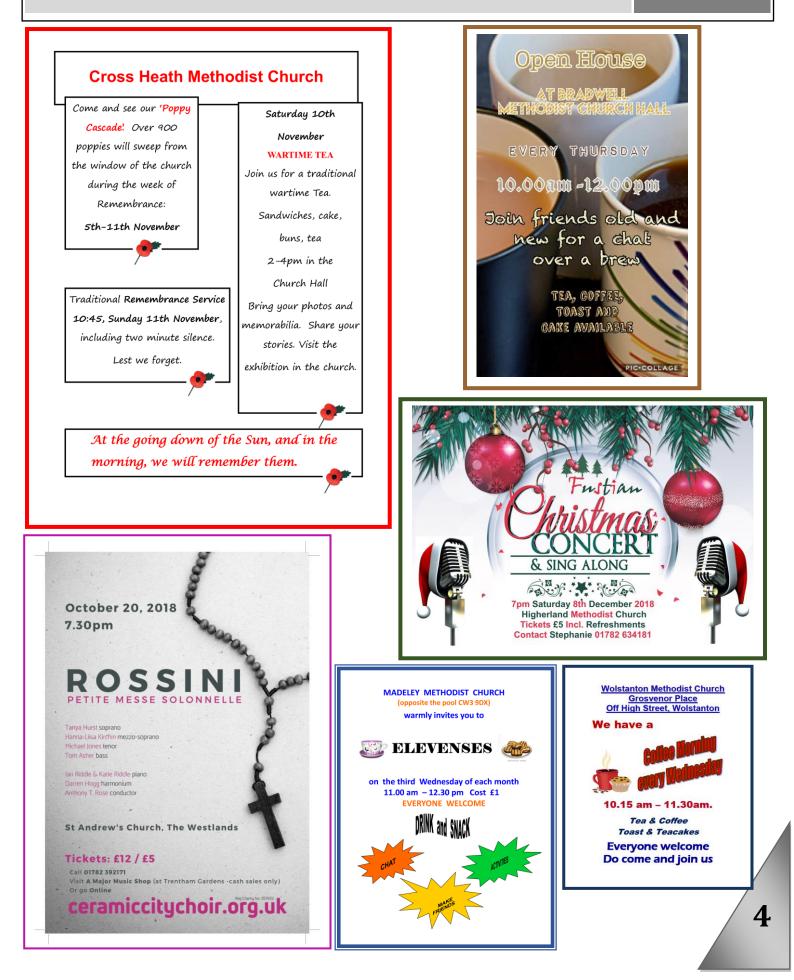


## REMEMBRANCE COFFEE MORNING at Audley Methodist Church

Saturday 10th November 2018 - 10am to 12:30pm Tea, Coffee, Biscuits & Cake

Please bring along any First World War items and share stories. Songs & music will be played during the morning

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#### **TRAIDCRAFT**

Some of you may be aware that Traidcraft, the pioneering Fairtrade brand that brought us 'campaign coffee' and went on to develop a huge range of Fairtrade products, has announced that it proposes to cease trading at the end of the year unless a solution can be found.

Ruth Murray, a Methodist, who formerly ran Fair Trade Fabric wrote this in response. Please take the time to read it and do all you can in response.

Along with many others I was deeply saddened. Two years ago my own fair trade cotton fabric business was in exactly the same situation and I had to close it.

So why is the current environment so toxic for ethical traders?

Ethical businesses, and fair trade ones in particular, are motivated by growing their businesses to have the maximum possible impact. They want to keep the price they sell at as low as possible so that their wares are as accessible for as many people as possible. It's about selling as much as possible so they can place more orders and support more people. The cost prices are of course higher than for other sellers. That's the whole point of fair trade – to make sure that the people you are buying from receive a fair price plus a premium to improve life in that community. And the purchase will usually take place in a currency that is secure for the producer. A fair trade business doesn't want the producer to take on the risk of currency fluctuation. That wouldn't be fair. In addition, fair trade businesses try to provide contracts that cover a long period, giving income security to the partners they work with. But a fair trade business model has become increasingly untenable. After the Brexit referendum there was an immediate change in the value of the pound. Fabric I ordered had increased by an unsustainable 15% solely due to the currency fluctuation. I couldn't see how this situation would change. My business had been a viable going concern, up to that point, pouring thousands of pounds into disadvantaged communities in India, and yet it all came to an end so quickly.

The same drivers are at play with Traidcraft. Collaborative and powerful relationships developed over decades with talented and now thriving communities are at risk of coming to an abrupt end and it all feels so unnecessary. So what can we do?

- Shopping I would urge everyone with the means, to bring forward their Christmas shopping and spend at traidcraftshop.co.uk, and to have a look at https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/Buying-Fairtrade for other places that you can still buy fairly traded products. They all need our support if we want them to survive.
- Holding businesses to account There are other businesses that aren't ethical from the ground up but sell a range of Fairtrade products. We need to keep up pressure on these businesses to maintain their Fairtrade ranges. Keep telling them, by whatever means you find convenient letters to customer services, Twitter, Facebook.
- Fair trade is too important to lose! The current co-chairs of the All Party Parliamentary Group on Fairtrade are Holly Lynch MP (Labour) and Will Quince MP (Conservative). Why not contact them to let them know how important we think fair trade is.
- For those of us committed to thoughtful consumption, the options are narrowing and we now have fewer routes to use our pounds to create a change. We must speak up and act while we have the chance.

## NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE CIRCUIT

# WEEKLY BULLETIN 10th October 2018

#### **Regular Weekly Events Around the Circuit**

#### Monday

10.00 am - 11.00 am - Coffee & Chat - Silverdale 4.30 pm - 5.30 pm - Dance Academey (5 - 12 years) - St Luke's (Term Time Only) 4.30 pm - 6.30 pm - "Young Ones Dance Centre" - various dance classes - Cross Heath contact Beth 07740 548081 5.45 pm - 6.45 pm - Piyo (yoga & pilates to music) - Audley 6.00 pm - 7.15 pm - Monday Club - (5-11 years) - Halmer End (Term Time) 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm - Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association - Higherland (Term time) 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm - Prayer & Praise (2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in the Month) - Silverdale 7.15 pm - Daleian Singers Rehearsals - St Peter's 7.30 pm - Wesley Guild - All Welcome - Wolstanton Methodist Church (October - March) Tuesday 9.30 am - 11.30 am - Parent, Carers & Toddlers (up to school age) - Wolstanton (Term Time) 9.15 am - 11.15 am - Parent And Toddler Club - Higherland (Term Time) 10.30 am - 12.00 noon - Coffee Morning - Audley 11.30 am - 12.00 noon - Holy Communion (Monthly) - Audley 11.30 am - 1.00 pm - Hot Lunches - Higherland (Term Time) 12.00 pm - 1.30 pm - Soup Lunch - Cross Heath (First Tuesday in the Month) 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm - The Crafty Stitchers (Cross Heath) (Fortnightly) 4.00 pm - 6.00 pm - Various Children's Dance Classes (Musical Theatre, Contemporary, Street Dance) - contact Audley 4.30 pm - 8.00 pm - "Young Ones Dance Centre" - various dance classes - Cross Heath contact Beth 07740 548081 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm - Carino Dance Group - Halmer End (weekly) 5.45 pm - 6.45 pm - Zumba Fitness - St Luke's 6.00 pm - 6.45 pm - Aerobic Dancefit (weekly) - Contact 01782 722755 6.00 pm - 7.00 pm - Rainbows - Wolstanton (Term Time) 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm - Zumba Gold (for any age) - St Luke's 7.30 pm - Cameo Ladies Group (fortnightly) - Audley 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Poolside Puppets - Madeley (alternate weeks. Contact - email: poolsidepuppets@outlook.com) Wednesday 9.00 am - 10.00 am - Chill & Chat - (parents of 0-11 year olds) - Silverdale Methodist Church (Term Time) 9.30 am - 11.30 am - Stay & Play (under 5's with parent/carer) - Halmer End (Term Time) 10.15 am - 11.30 am - Coffee Shop - Wolstanton 9.30 am - 12.00 noon - Knit and Natter - Audley (1st Wednesday of the month) 10.00 am - 1.00 pm - Sewing Class - Audley 11.00 am - 12.30 pm - "Elevenses", tea, coffee, chat & light refreshements - Madeley (3rd Wednesday of the month) 2.00 - 4.00 pm - Over 60s 'Youth Club' - Halmer End (1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month) 2.30 pm - Wednesday Fellowship - Wolstanton (Weekly February to July) 4.45 pm - 8.00 pm - "Young Ones Dance Centre" - various dance classes - Cross Heath contact Beth 07740 548081 5.30 pm - 6.30 pm - Thank Jesus It's Wednesday (Youth Club for Primary School Children) - Silverdale (Term Time) 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm - Brownies (7-11 years) - Wolstanton (Term Time) 6.15 pm - 7.15 pm - Anchor Section - Boys and Girls (5-8 years) - Bradwell 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm - Junior Section - Boys and Girls (8-11 years) - Bradwell 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm - Company Section - Boys and Girls (11-15 years) - Bradwell 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm - Keep Fit - St Luke's 7.00 pm - Ladies Fellowship - Silverdale Methodist Church (March - end of October) 7.30 pm - Badminton - Audley (Waiting List) 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Unity Choir (Mixed Voices) - Halmer End - new members welcome. Contact Margaret Nicol - 01782 722551

### NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE CIRCUIT

# WEEKLY BULLETIN 10th October 2018

## **Regular Weekly Events Around the Circuit**

#### <u>Thursday</u>

9.30 am - 11.30 am - Parent, Carers & Toddlers (up to school age) - Wolstanton (Term Time) 10.00 am - 1.00 pm - Sewing Class - Audley 10.00 am - 11.30 am - Parents/Carers and Toddlers - St Peter's, Westlands (Term Time) 10.30 am - 12.30 pm - Activities Club for Adults - St Luke's (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month). Activities include pool, table tennis, bowls, board games and others. Contact Philip Hodges - 01782634766/07747 453708. 11.30 am - 1.00 pm - Hot Lunches - Higherland (Term Time) 2.00 - 3.00 pm - Zumba Gold (for any age) - St Luke's 4.30 - 6.30 pm - Shine Performing Arts (various classes for ages 3 to 12) - St Luke's 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm - Brownies - Halmer End (Term Time) 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm - Guides - Halmer End (Term Time) 7.30 pm - Daleian Ladies Choir - Silverdale - new members welcome. Contact 01782 722826 or 01782 634850 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm - Audley Male Voice Choir Rehearsal - Audley - new members welcome to rehearsal. 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Craft Group - Halmer End 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm - Higherland Worship Group Practice - new members welcome. Contact Kevin Lovatt - 01782 634181 7.15 pm - 8.45 pm - Ladies Small Choir led by Dorothy Peake - new members welcome. Contact Lorraine - 01782 614436 Friday 9.15 am - 10.15 am - Piyo (yoga & pilates to music) - Audley 9.30 am - 11.30 am - Parent, Carers & Babies (0-18mths) - Wolstanton (Term Time) 1.30 pm - 3.30 pm - Indoor Bowls - including tea/coffee & biscuits - Audley (October to April) 5.00 pm - 7.30 pm - "Young Ones Dance Centre" - various dance classes - Cross Heath contact Beth 07740 548081 6.15 pm - 7.30 pm - Brownies - St Peter's, Westlands 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm - Rainbows - St Peter's, Westlands 7.00 pm - 9.30 pm - Lyme Valley Archers - Halmer End (Weekly during winter months) 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Guides - St Peter's, Westlands 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Rangers - St Peter's, Westlands 7.30 pm - Newcastle Male Voice Choir - Newcastle - new members are always welcome. Contact Geoff Howle - 01270 820388 Saturday 9.30 am- 1.15 pm - "Young Ones Dance Centre" - various dance classes - Cross Heath contact Beth 07740 548081 10.00 am - 1.00 pm - Carino Dance Group - Halmer End (Weekly) 10.00 am - 12.00 noon - Coffee Morning - Bethel Centre (2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in the month) 11.00 am - 1.00 pm - Messy Church - Silverdale (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in the month)