This is our weekly bulletin. Please use it to either display in church or to announce the events to your congregation. The bulletin can be received by anyone who has an e-mail address. To subscribe to this service please send your e-mail address to: northstaffscircuit@hotmail.co.uk or contact Michelle in the Circuit Office on 01782 612648. All items for the bulletin need to be in for Wednesday morning.

Due to the new law that was enforced in May 2018 (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.

The Methodist Church – North Staffordshire Circuit



Children & Families Worker in the North Staffordshire Circuit (11/22) Wolstanton Methodist Church Grosvenor Place, Newcastle ST5 0HS

Pay - £12.00 per hour 16 Hours per week Fixed Term Contract: To start 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 – 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022 (SCHOOL TERM TIME ONLY)

We wish to appoint an inspiring and enthusiastic person ready to pioneer new work that will enable children and families to encounter the love of God and to become part of our church as a more inclusive, all-age community of faith.

The overall purpose of the Children & Families Worker will be: to pioneer, develop and grow our ministry, building on the existing links we have with children and families and to enable children to find a home in the life and worship at Wolstanton Methodist church.

We have some contact with young children and families through our midweek groups, but in recent years have not seen many families finding a living faith or becoming part of the life of the church.

We want this to change. We are committing resources to this purpose and recognise that this will be long term work, with no easy solutions and many challenges ahead

We understand that starting from small beginnings will take time and will require people to work alongside our children and families worker

We also want to grow our ministry with families outside the church community; and to minister in ways that achieve more than just 'getting them into church'

We have an active church community including a very active Mission and Outreach group. We are looking to grow the next generation as well as the present one.

#### Key Roles include

- Take key role in provision of appropriate activities for the small number of children who do come on Sunday morning and grow the team working with them
- Attend Parent & toddler groups, rainbows and brownies as a link person Engage in Messy Breakfast and Messy Church
- Explore setting up a Praise and Play morning for young families Get to know and liaise with our local primary school
- Follow up on baptisms and family links
- Create opportunities for a parent/carers group

#### **Personal Qualities**

- Committed Christian seeking to grow in faith and practice
- Drive and vision to energise self and others
  The desire to help children and young families grow as Christians
- Able to work graciously with a diverse group of people
- .... and a healthy sense of humour.

#### Skills

- Creative approach to integrating people into a church community
- Ability to communicate faith, particularly to children and families not familiar with church life
- Excellent organisational skills
- Listening skills
  Basic IT skills and knowledge of social media
- Ability to develop opportunities
  Written and verbal communication, reporting and presentation
- The ability to organise and lead events for children & families

- Experience and Knowledge
   An active, living Christian faith
   An understanding of the world of children and young families
- Experience of working with children and / or familie
- Knowledge of Safeguarding requirements

The post is currently funded up to 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022

Application Pack: email northstaffscircuit@hotmail.co.uk

**Closing Date:** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019 **Interviews:** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2019

### The New Church Plant

... meet every Sunday at 5.00 pm with a service of worship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month.

at Newcastle Methodist Church

All are very welcome - please come and join us.

### **UPRIGHT PIANO ...**

free of charge. Further details from Sue

tel: 07714 937433





**Cross Heath Methodist Church** 

### **Young at Heart Club**

Thursday, 24th October (fortnightly)

11.00 am - 1.00 pm

Light refreshments, discussions, games, quizzes. Cost £3.

All very welcome



Baldwins Gate Methodist Church

### **Monday Fellowship**

Monday, 28<sup>th</sup> October

at 2.00 pm

All Welcome

### A Time for Silence and Contemplation

Do you find that your life is more Martha than Mary? Is that possibly what stops you getting closer to God?

Then join us for a time of quiet contemplative prayer in the old Circuit Office, Newcastle Methodist Church and experience the use of silence as a way of going deeper with God; as a way of reflecting on your journey and as a way of listening to God.

Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> November 6.45 pm for a 7.00 pm start. Entrance off the car park through the church.

Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 1.45 pm for a 2.00 pm start. Entrance off Merrial Street.

**BALDWINS GATE METHODIST CHURCH** 

### **COFFEE MORNING**

(on the first Thursday of every month)

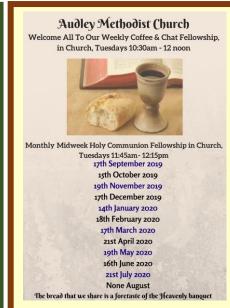
THURSDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

10.30 AM – 12.00 NOON

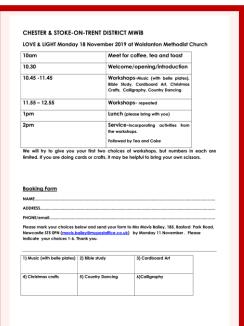


CAKE STALL.
EVERYONE WELCOME









# Circuit Prayer & Praise Meeting

Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2019

at 7.30 pm (Coffee/tea from 7.00 pm)

at

### **Silverdale Methodist Church**

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

### A Trip to Bury Market

Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> December

9.30 am pickup from Cross Heath Methodist Church

Tickets £10 each

To book or for further information please contact Lorraine Vernon

**WOLSTANTON WESLEY GUILD** ... meets every Monday Evening between October and March 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm for illustrated talks on a wide range of subjects of local interest, music and drama, followed by light refreshments and a chance to chat. There is no membership fee but visitors donate £2.50 per night to cover the cost of speakers and a contribution to church expenses. During the summer months May to September a monthly informal afternoon tea is arranged. Newcastle Community Transport and car sharing is used for outside visits. Further Information in the Church Lounge or from the Church Office Tel: 01782 712768

**WOLSTANTON WESLEY GUILD TRANSPORT** ... a number of members have requested transport to enable them to attend evening meetings of the Wesley Guild at Wolstanton during the winter months. Newcastle Community Transport is an excellent local service. It could be used more regularly if booked in advance and more volunteer drivers come forward. It would assist the organisers to know if you would attend meetings if transport was provided. Please contact the organising Secretary Richard Ayling Tel: 01782 627129 or Wolstanton Church Office.





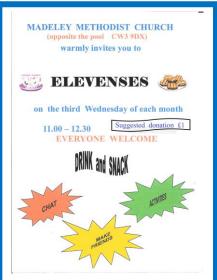












### SUNDAYS @ SILVERDALE METHODIST CHURCH BREAKFAST is served from 10:15am, and is FREE-OF-CHARGE! The SERVICE starts at 11am. ERVICE starts at 11am. You are more than welcome to come for breakfast alone, but we would love it if you could join us for worship as well! Our Morning Services generally follow the pattern of... café the 1st Sunday of the month is informal & relaxed all-age interactive worship, otherwise known as.. the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month is Christine Chadwick (from The Salvation Army) preaching, with the Brass Band providing musical accompaniment the 3<sup>rd</sup> , 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> (whenever there is one!) Sundays of the month will be a mixture of being led by > Church Members, a Local Preacher, or our Minister, Rev. Christine Legge (Services led by the Minister may also include Holy Communion) Note that there may be some months where it is needed to swap-round what format happens between weeks - this will only happen at unavoidable times, and will be kept to a minimum. So now there is no need to worry about having to get ready AND have breakfast before coming

to Church on a Sunday —instead, you just have to get ready, as we will take care of breakfast for

ou! So why not come along & be part of this exciting new time @ Silverdale Methodist Church?





#### SECRETARY OF THE METHODIST CONFERENCE

FROM SEPTEMBER 2020 FOR AN INITIAL PERIOD OF 6 YEARS

The Nomination Panel is seeking to recommend a Presbyter in Full Connexion with the British Methodist Conference for appointment as the Secretary of the Methodist Conference.

Working closely with the President and Vice-President, she or he will play a principal part in the oversight and leadership of the Church. Working collaboratively with others, he or she will be responsible for enabling the development and implementation of the vision and strategy of the Church and for the encouragement of good governance throughout the Church. The role of the Secretary of the Conference is defined in SO 114 of the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church (CPD).

The Methodist Church expects collegial, collaborative and corporate leadership where people work well together. It also values the key representative roles of the President and the Vice-President as part of the senior leadership team. This is an important constitutional, organisational and executive role for the Secretary of the Conference who also needs to be a good listener, a delegator and a pastoral leader.

The discernment process involves nomination by a third party, lay or ordained, and the completion of a Personal Information Form by the nominee. Three referees must also be provided which may be sought after the interviews have taken place.

All forms, including the role profile, can be obtained from:

www.methodist.org.uk/jobs

Hard copies can also be requested from:

The Connexional Secretary's Office Methodist Church House 25 Marylebone Road London NW1 5JR Tel: 020 7467 5157

E-mail: cs@methodistchurch.org.uk

Nomination and Personal Information forms should be returned to the Office of the Connexional Secretary at Methodist Church House as soon as possible and no later than noon on 19 November 2019.

Interviews will be held on 19th and 20th December 2019.



www.methodist.org.uk





... are currently advertising various vacancies on their website.

The closing dates are different for each but the job adverts, job descriptions and an application form can be found on their website www.ucb.co.uk/jobs

### Regular Weekly Events Around the Circuit

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Monday
2.00 pm - 4.00 pm - Knit Wits - St Peter's (Term Time Only)
4.15 pm - 8.15 pm - Jags Street Dance - Bradwell
4.30 pm - 5.30 pm - Helen O'Grady Drama Group (5 - 12 years) - St Luke's (Term Time Only)
4.30 pm - 6.30 pm - "Young Ones Dance Centre" - various dance classes - Cross Heath
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 (2nd 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)
3.00 pm - 8.00 pm - Jags Street Dance - Bradwell
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
5.00 pm - 6.45pm - Shine Performing Arts - (3-12 years) - St Luke's
6.00 pm - 6.45 pm - Aerobic Dancefit (weekly) - contact Audley
6.00 pm - 7.00 pm - Rainbows - Wolstanton (Term Time)
7.15 pm - 8.15 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 (1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month) - 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 refreshments - 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 September - December & February to July)
4.45 pm - 8.00 pm - "Young Ones Dance Centre" - various dance classes - Cross Heath
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.
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)
10.00 am - 12.00 noon - Coffee Morning - Bradwell
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### **Regular Weekly Events Around the Circuit**

#### Thursday

- 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.
- 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 7.00 pm Rainbows Halmer End (Term Time)
- 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.
- 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.
- 7.15 pm 8.45 pm Ladies Small Choir Cross Heath new members welcome.
- 7.30 pm 9.00 pm Karate Bradwell

### 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)
- 10.00 am 12.00 noon Alice Charity (Big Cup) Bradwell
- 1.30 pm 3.30 pm Indoor Bowls including tea/coffee & biscuits Audley (October to April)
- 4.30 pm 8.00 pm Jags Street Dance Bradwell
- 5.00 pm 7.30 pm "Young Ones Dance Centre" various dance classes Cross Heath
- 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.

### Saturday

- 9.30 am- 1.15 pm "Young Ones Dance Centre" various dance classes Cross Heath
- 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 (3rd Saturday in the month)
- 3.00 pm 5.00 pm Messy Church once a month when advertised Bradwell