

WEEKLY BULLETIN 16th October 2019

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)
based at
Wolstanton Methodist Church Grosvenor Place, Newcastle ST5 0HS

Pay - £12.00 per hour 16 Hours per week.
Fixed Term Contract: To start 2nd December 2019 – 2nd 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 families
- Knowledge of Safeguarding requirements

The post is currently funded up to 2nd December 2022.

Application Pack: email northstaffscircuit@hotmail.co.uk

Closing Date: Friday 22nd November 2019

Interviews: Tuesday 26th November 2019

The New Church Plant

... meet every Sunday at 5.00 pm
with a service of worship on the
2nd & 4th 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



Bradwell
Methodist
Church

THE DATES FOR MESSY CHURCH AT
BRADWELL METHODIST CHURCH ARE
14th September
19th October
16th November
14th December
Sessions start at 3pm
and run for around 2 hours

Join us for a stories,
game's, crafts, prayer,
food, fellowship and fun.
Session is open to all.

For more information see our Facebook
page or e-mail Donna (dodd_donna@yahoo.com)

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

Evening Worship *with a difference*
6pm in the coffee bar

Higherland Methodist Church

'Coffee Bar Worship'

Next event: led by Phil Symonds @ 6pm Sun. 27th October 2019

'The nature of forgiveness'

Audley Methodist Church
invite you to our

"Light"
Themed
Family Fun



Tuesday
29th
October
9:30am to 11:30am

Crafts and Games

Refreshments Available

Baldwins Gate Methodist Church

Monday Fellowship

Monday, 28th 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, 5th November 6.45 pm for a 7.00 pm start. Entrance off the car park through the church.

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

BALDWIN'S GATE METHODIST CHURCH

COFFEE MORNING

(on the first Thursday of every month)

THURSDAY, 7TH NOVEMBER

10.30 AM – 12.00 NOON



**CAKE STALL.
EVERYONE WELCOME**

"TOSSES OUT COMIC GEMS IN AN ALMOST PROFLIGATE MANNER" YORKSHIRE TIMES

**COMEDY NIGHT
WITH ANDY KIND**

"ABSOLUTELY TERRIFIC"
THE SCOTSMAN

WHEN? SATURDAY 9th NOVEMBER 2019, starting at 6pm

WHERE? Silverdale Methodist Church, Earl St., ST5 6NF

TICKETS £5 each - available from Lee Leighton on 07403 534575 or Leeleighton@aol.com, or via 'EventBrite' (booking fee applies), or on-the-door (as long as we don't sell out!)

Audley Methodist Church

Welcome All To Our Weekly Coffee & Chat Fellowship, in Church, Tuesdays 10:30am - 12 noon



Monthly Midweek Holy Communion Fellowship in Church,

Tuesdays 11:45am - 12:15pm

17th September 2019

15th October 2019

19th November 2019

17th December 2019

14th January 2020

18th February 2020

17th March 2020

21st April 2020

19th May 2020

16th June 2020

21st July 2020

None August

'The bread that we share is a foretaste of the heavenly banquet'



**Methodist Women
in Britain**

CHESTER & STOKE-ON-TRENT DISTRICT

LOVE AND LIGHT

To be held at

Wolstanton Methodist Church

on A527, High Street, Wolstanton, ST5 0HS

On

Monday 18 November 2019



Drinks at 10am for 10.30 start.

Please bring your lunch, drinks provided

Please choose two workshops on the booking form

Suggested donation of £5 will be collected on the day.

There will be a short service after lunch, followed by tea and cake



CHESTER & STOKE-ON-TRENT DISTRICT MWIB

LOVE & LIGHT Monday 18 November 2019 at Wolstanton Methodist Church

10am	Meef for coffee, tea and toast
10.30	Welcome/opening/introduction
10.45 - 11.45	Workshops-Music (with belle plates), Bible Study, Cardboard Art, Christmas Crafts, Calligraphy, Country Dancing
11.55 - 12.55	Workshops- repeated
1pm	Lunch (please bring with you)
2pm	Service-incorporating activities from the workshops. Followed by Tea and Cake

We will try to give you your first two choices of workshops, but numbers in each are limited. If you are doing cards or crafts, it may be helpful to bring your own scissors.

Booking Form

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE/email: _____

Please mark your choices below and send your form to Mrs Mavis Bailey, 185, Basford Park Road, Newcastle ST5 6PN (mavis.bailey@mypostoffice.co.uk) by Monday 11 November. Please indicate your choices 1-6. Thank you.

1) Music (with belle plates)	2) Bible study	3) Cardboard Art
4) Christmas crafts	5) Country Dancing	6) Calligraphy

Circuit Prayer & Praise Meeting

Tuesday, 19th 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, 14th 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.

Church in the Westlands Children's Club for 7-11's

Games
Includes refreshments

Bible Stories
Only 50p

Xcite

Crafts
Mondays in term time 4 to 5pm (Doors open at 3.30pm)
St. Andrew's Church Hall

Details : Naomi 07864 127523 naomi.westlands@gmail.com

Audley Methodist Church

Coffee Mornings
Every Tuesday morning
10:30am to 12pm
in Church

Come & meet old friends,
make new ones

The Church in the Westlands
You and your little ones are invited to...

Little Sparklers

Toddler Group

Every Tuesday in term time 10 am until 11.30 am
In the Parish Room round the back of St. Andrew's Church in the Westlands

With toys, jigsaws, colouring, craft, Bible stories, prayer bears, singing, refreshments and good company!

No charge!
Please contact Naomi on naomi.westlands@gmail.com for more details

Soup Lunch
At Cross Heath Methodist Church
King Street, Cross Heath

1st Tuesday each month 12:00-13:00
Soup, roll, tea/coffee cake and good company
(Donations of £2)

Wolstanton Methodist Church
Grosvenor Place

Coffee Morning

First and third Wednesday of each month
10:15 to 11:30

Everyone Welcome Coffee Tea Biscuits Teacakes

MADELEY METHODIST CHURCH
(opposite the pool CW3 9DX)
warmly invites you to

ELEVENSES

on the third Wednesday of each month
11.00 - 12.30 Suggested donation £1

EVERYONE WELCOME

DRINK and SNACK

CHAT ACTIVITIES MAKE FRIENDS

Ladies' FELLOWSHIP
at SILVERDALE METHODIST CHURCH

Why not join us for 1-hour of fun & friendship?
every Wednesday, starting @ 7pm
running from March to October

We have a different speaker each week, and finish our time together with refreshments & chat!

All ladies are welcome to join us, at any time of the year - and there is no obligation to attend, you can come as many times or as little as you want to!

Speakers are listed for each week on the "CALENDAR" page of our website, www.silverdalemethodistchurch.org.uk, if you want to check in-advance!

Earl Street (behind the Chip Shop!), Silverdale, Newcastle, Staffs. ST5 6NF

Open House
AT BRADWELL METHODIST CHURCH HALL

EVERY THURSDAY
10.00am - 12.00pm

Join friends old and new for a chat over a brew

TEA, COFFEE, TOAST AND CAKE AVAILABLE

SUNDAYS @ SILVERDALE METHODIST CHURCH

BREAKFAST is served from 10:15am, and is FREE-OF-CHARGE!

The SERVICE 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 aswell!

Our Morning Services generally follow the pattern of...

the 1st Sunday of the month is informal & relaxed all-age interactive worship, otherwise known as..



the 2nd Sunday of the month is Christine Chadwick (from The Salvation Army) preaching, with the Brass Band providing musical accompaniment

the 3rd, 4th and 5th (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 you! So why not come along & be part of this exciting new time @ Silverdale Methodist Church?

SILVERDALE
METHODIST
CHURCH

REFUEL

worship & the word

FOLLOWED BY FOOD!

Join us on the 3rd Sunday of every month at 4:30pm, for a Praise & Worship evening, with a message, and ending with food – all FREE-OF-CHARGE!

Note that, due to possible other commitments, there may be some months when REFUEL cannot go-ahead – but any such times will be kept a minimum!

There is now no need for a late night when you get home from Church, and you won't need to prepare food either, as we have thought of it all for you – the early start, and providing food! 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 Presbyterian 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.

The Methodist Church

www.methodist.org.uk



Volunteer Driver needed to support the Newcastle Staffs Food bank



We are in need of someone who can offer 1 to 2 hours every Thursday (or as a relief volunteer).

You would ideally be physically fit as the role entails you to lift food donations from our warehouse in Chesterton, and deliver to the Congregational church in Newcastle town centre. You would also be required to use your own vehicle, however we would reimburse your mileage costs.

If you are interested; please contact us on 07519 159061



... 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

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- 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 - 6.45 pm - 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 - "Elevenes", 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.

Thursday

- 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

Regular Weekly Events Around the Circuit**Thursday**

- 10.30 am - 12.30 pm - Activities Club for Adults - St Luke's (2nd & 4th 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 (2nd 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