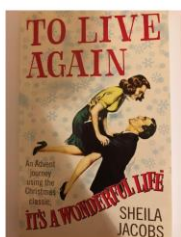


WEEKLY BULLETIN 4th December 2019

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.



Advent Course at the Silverdale Manse

On Wednesdays 4, 11, 18 December
Monday 23 December 2019 at 7.30pm

Come and enjoy a time of exploration of our wonderful faith using this classic Christmas film as a basis of discussion.

Further details from Rev. Christine Legge, 01782 631918

BALDWINS GATE METHODIST CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

(on the first Thursday of every month)

THURSDAY, 5TH DECEMBER

10.30 AM – 12.00 NOON



CAKE STALL,

EVERYONE WELCOME

Cross Heath Methodist Church

Young at Heart Club

Thursday, 5th December
(fortnightly)

11.00 am – 1.00 pm

Light refreshments,
discussions, games, quizzes.

Cost £3.

All very welcome

Wolstanton Methodist Church



Christmas in Wolstanton
Friday 6th December, 6pm to 8pm



Take part in our
Sheep Trail Hunt
through the Village.

3 Winners—£10.00 book voucher + large selection box.

Each child completing an entry will receive a chocolate/sweets

Election Forum

organised by the local churches



Newcastle Baptist Church,
Stafford Ave ST5 3BN.

Fri Dec 6th 7.15 for 7.30-9.30pm

A chance to hear all 5 candidates, including some time for questions from the floor. All welcome



Madeley Methodist Church
 Poolside, Madeley CW3 9DX

Christmas Fayre

Saturday 7 December
 10.30am - 12pm

Cakes
 Tombola
 Children's activities
 Raffle
 Refreshments

Everyone Welcome

Proceeds to Church Funds

Audley Methodist Church

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2019,
 10:30AM TO 1PM

Audley Brass Band
 Hot Food Stalls Raffle

Wolstanton Methodist Church

Christmas Fair

Saturday 7th December
 10am to 1pm

Santa, Stalls, Raffle, Tombola,
 Bric a Brac, Refreshments

*Come and visit us, ... and join in the fun,
 we would love to see you...*

CHRISTMAS with the
 WESLEY GUILD

Programme December 2019

MONDAY 9th DECEMBER A VICTORIAN PLAYGROUND
 Speaker our old friend PHILIP LEESE

MONDAY 16TH DECEMBER A CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS
 With our Devotional Group and readers

ALL MEETINGS COMMENCE AT 7.30 p.m
 IN THE CHURCH MEETING ROOM

JOY AND PEACE TO ALL

SECRETARY—RICHARD AYLING TEL. 627129

You are warmly invited to the

Lemaca Charity Carol Service

Silverdale Methodist Church
 Monday 9th December at 7.00pm

Led by Mr Ryan Davies

Music provided by the Salvation Army Brass band.

With soloist Philip Cartwright

Accompanied by Stefan Andrusychyn

Come along and sing some much-loved Carols

All funds raised will go to the Ronald McDonald House Charities and Silverdale Methodist Church
 Refreshments served from 7.00pm

Christmas Chip 'n' Hymn

Join us for Carols and Chip butties

Wed. 11th December at 6.30 pm

With soloist Philip Cartwright,
 accompanied by Stefan Andrusychyn and
 the Unity Choir and with congregational carols.
 Followed by drinks and chip butties
 Come and celebrate the birth of Jesus – all are welcome

www.halmerendmethodists.org.uk

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.

Thursday, 12th December 1.45 pm
 for a 2.00 pm start. Entrance off Merrial Street.

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 Methodist Church



Café Church
a relaxed informal style of church

Saturday
14th Dec 2019
11.00am to 12.00pm
led between 11.15 and 11.45

Music, reflection & chat with FREE coffee, tea, hot chocolate and cakes.

MESSY CHURCH

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)

Messy Christmas

Wolstanton Methodist Church

Messy Christingle
Sunday 15th December 2019
3pm—5pm

Most Popular!

The activities will be aimed at those aged 3 to 11, a play area will be available for younger siblings.

3pm—Welcome, Games
3.15—Activities, Crafts, Games
4.15—Short worship session, songs, stories including Christingles.
4.30— Food will be served

FREE

Book your place by phone or email

Baldwins Gate Methodist Church

Monday Fellowship

Monday, 16th December
at 2.00 pm
All Welcome

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

Wolstanton Methodist Church warmly invite you to our

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

SCROOGE Meets Christmas



Carols by Candlelight at 6pm

Wolstanton Methodist Church

Christmas Angels

The week commencing 16th December, over 250 knitted Christmas Angels will be left in and around Wolstanton, bearing messages of 'Christmas Greetings'. We hope that all those who find an angel, may receive some comfort and peace in their message.

Please email us with your 'finding stories'
www.wolstantonmethodist.co.uk

Methodist Heritage News

"Sorry, Susanna!"



To view the Autumn 2019 edition of Methodist Heritage News please click on the following link

<https://methodist-news.org.uk/BV1-6LAJK-BBV2HY9Q52/cr.aspx>

or visit our website:
www.northstaffordshiremethodists.org.uk

Circuit Prayer & Praise Meeting

Tuesday, 21st January, 2020

at 7.30 pm
(Coffee/tea from 7.00 pm)

at Audley Methodist Church

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



The **Methodist Church**
Chester & Stoke-on-Trent District

God In Love Unites Us

The Marriage and Relationships Task Group presented a report to the 2019 Methodist Conference with recommendations about various issues to do with relationships in general and marriage in particular. Those recommendations are being submitted to the wider Church for consultation, with a final decision being made at the July 2020 Conference.

Four opportunities to engage in the conversation across the District:

Monday 27 January 2020 at 7:30pm at North Street, Crewe, CW1 4NJ
Thursday 30 January 2020 at 7:30pm at West End, Stoke-on-Trent, ST4 5AW
Saturday 8 February 2020 at 10:00am at Frodsham, WA6 6BA
Wednesday 25 March 2020 at 7:30pm at Trinity Congleton, CW12 4BA

Additionally we are pleased that Revds Paul Smith and Sam McBratney, nationally renowned speakers, are to lead a specifically **Bible Focused** event on Wednesday 29 January 2020 at 7:00pm at Swan Bank, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 2AA

There is no need to book in advance for these events.

These conversations will help provide a wider background to inform the debate at the Spring Synod.

Further information can be obtained from the District Administrator, Rob Glassonbury; email chester.stoke@btconnect.com or ring 01270 627774.

Connexional materials can be found at www.methodist.org.uk/MandR19



Property Matters Issue 23

November 2019 edition

is now available

via our website at:

www.northstaffordshiremethodists.org.uk

or

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/media/15571/property-matters-november-2019-issue-23.pdf>

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

Xcite

Includes refreshments
Only 50p

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

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

Audley Methodist Church

Coffee Mornings

Every Tuesday morning

10:30am to 12pm
in Church

Come & meet old friends, make new ones

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 MAKE FRIENDS ACTIVITIES

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 as well!

Our Morning Services generally follow the pattern of...

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

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?

Regular Weekly Events Around the Circuit**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 - Bible Study (1st & 3rd Monday of each Month) - Silverdale (Church)
- 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm - Prayer & Praise (2nd Monday of each Month) - Silverdale (Church)
- 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 - Indoor Bowls - Silverdale (Bethel Centre)
- 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
- 7.00 pm - Indoor Bowls - Silverdale (Bethel Centre)
- 7.00 pm - Brass Band Practice - (once a month - check website for details) - Silverdale (Church)
- 7.00 pm - 9.30 pm - Lyme Valley Archers - Halmer End (alt Tuesdays from 22nd October 2019 until end of December)
- 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

- 9.30 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 - T.J.I. Wednesday (Primary School Aged Children) - Silverdale (Church) (Term Time Only)
- 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm - Brownies (7-11 years) - Wolstanton (Term Time)
- 6.30 pm - 7.00 pm - Kids Singing/Dancing/etc rehearsal (term time but not all year - check website for details) - Silverdale (Church)
- 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm - Keep Fit - St Luke's
- 7.00 pm - Ladies Fellowship (March - October) - Silverdale Church (Meeting Room)
- 7.30 pm - Badminton - Audley (Waiting List)
- 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Unity Choir (Mixed Voices) - Halmer End - new members welcome.

Regular Weekly Events Around the Circuit**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
 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.
 11.00 am - 1.00 pm - Place of Welcome - Silverdale (Church)
 11.30 am - Silver Service (1st Thursday of the month) - Silverdale Church (Meeting Room)
 11.30 am - 1.00 pm - Hot Lunches - Higherland (Term Time)
 2.00 pm - Indoor Bowls - Silverdale (Bethel Centre)
 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 (Church)
 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 - Blind & Partially-Sighted Club - Silverdale (Bethel Centre)
 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
 6.00 pm - Ignite (for those in Year 6 upwards) - Silverdale (Church) (Term Time Only)
 6.15 pm - 7.30 pm - Brownies - St Peter's, Westlands
 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm - Rainbows - St Peter's, Westlands
 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 - Silverdale (Bethel Centre) (2nd Saturday of the month)
 11.00 am - 1.00 pm - Messy Church - Silverdale (Church) (3rd Saturday of the month)
 3.00 pm - 5.00 pm - Messy Church once a month when advertised - Bradwell