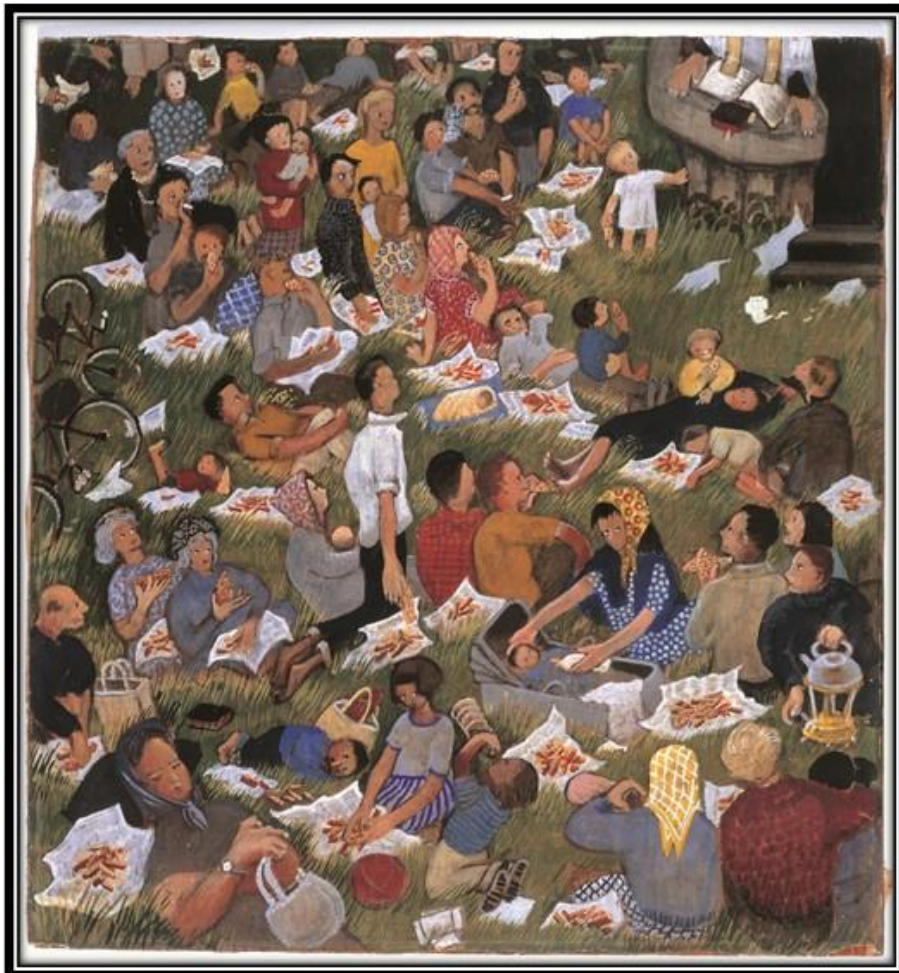


WEEKLY BULLETIN

31st July 2020

This is our weekly bulletin. 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. All items for the bulletin need to be in for Wednesday morning.

Worship 2nd August 2020



The service is an audio file and a separate video file.

(A full order (transcript) of these services can be emailed out to you, please ask your minister)

~ To hear the services click on this link [here](#). ~

For a video of this service (with words to the hymns)

~ click on this link [here](#). ~

North Staffordshire Circuit Notices

Please See These Important Notices Regarding Opening our Churches:

Preparing for Re-opening our Churches for Worship

Official Guidance

Update 28 July

Coronavirus Guidance for Property

New Guidance and New Format - 28 July 2020 [here](#).

Property Matters July 2020 click on this link [here](#).

Lectionary

The Lectionary Readings for this week (18th Sunday in Ordinary Time) are:

Genesis 32:22-31
Psalm 17:1-7, 15
Romans 9:1-5
Matthew 14:13-21

Please pray for: Baldwins Gate

The Lectionary Readings for next week (19th Sunday in Ordinary Time) are:

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28
Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b
Romans 10:5-15
Matthew 14:22-33

Please pray for: Bradwell

Morning Prayers with Revd Joy Ventom

Revd Joy will be online with morning prayers at 11.00 am on Wednesday and Sunday mornings via the Audley Methodist Church facebook page.



Click on this link [here](#)

"Sing and Pray" on Zoom

"Sing and Pray" on Zoom with Revd Joy Ventom. This will happen every Sunday from 6.00 - 7.00 pm. The "Sing and Pray" slot will be 6.00 – 6.40 pm, with all welcome to choose hymns and songs, bring your choice on the evening. We will also try and engage in different styles of prayer. Then from 6.40 – 7.00 pm stay on for open conversation.



If you would like the link to join "Sing & Pray" please email Revd Joy e-mail: joy.ventom@methodist.org.uk

QUIZ

Are you at a loose-end & wanting something to do on a Saturday afternoon at 4pm – then why not join-in with the Silverdale Methodist Church Quiz? Every Saturday at 4pm, during this time when we cannot meet together easily in-person, Silverdale are putting on a quiz for all to enjoy – you don't have to attend Silverdale Methodist Church, anyone can join in, as has been proven thus far. If you are wanting to join, then please e-mail Leetleighton@aol.com expressing your interest, and you will then be added to the Distribution List that receives the "Zoom" Meeting I.D. & Password (as, for Safeguarding & Privacy reasons, only those asking are sent the link!). Once you express an interest, then you will receive the invite each week – and you can dip-in & dip-out as you so wish, you don't have to attend each week! And when all of this is over, there will even be a prize presented to the team that has won for the most weeks! So why not give it a try – you may even enjoy yourself!

zoom

Foodbank – click on this link [here](#).

Thank you to everyone across the circuit who gives regularly to Foodbank through their church. Foodbank remains open through these troubled times and demand for food is high. Can I please ask you to all keep on giving by taking your donations to your nearest Foodbank.



Clayton St Luke's host a session
on Tuesday morning. 10.00am – 12 noon
All Saints, Madeley host a session
on a Wednesday Morning. 10.30 am - 12.30 pm
The Bethel Centre Silverdale 2.00 pm – 4.00pm
Chesterton Pentecostal church on:
Thursday Morning. 10.00 -12.00 noon
Newcastle Congregational church on:
Thursday afternoon. 2.00 pm – 4.00pm
St Thomas church Kidsgrove on:
Friday afternoon 1.00 pm – 3.00 pm

or you can take your contribution to our warehouse on the Parkhouse estate
on a Monday afternoon or Wednesday morning ... please give us a ring if you
want details of how to get there, it is on the Aspire work complex.

Your gifts large or small are very much appreciated and are a lifeline to those sadly more vulnerable than ourselves.

*Please give us a ring if you want to drop your gift off at our house!
Carol and Marion Reddish TEL 01782 613265*

If you would like to make a monetary donation to Newcastle Staffs Foodbank you can contact the Trustee/Treasurer Michael Heap for details: - 01782 639882 or email him on accounts@newcastlestaffs.foodbank.org.uk. If you would like to Gift Aid your donation please visit the website or contact Michael Heap for details.

At the present time Foodbank are short of the following items:-

Deodorants for Men and Women

Small Sugar

Mashed Potatoes

Shaving Gel

Washing Up Liquid

Washing Powder

Shampoo

(Click on any of these links below from The Methodist Church also the Circuit has added more links)

For general guidance and resources for the coronavirus pandemic click on this link [here](#).

For Methodist News Updates from Connexion

Click on this link [here](#).

Worship during the pandemic

Suggestions for worship opportunities and how to help others in worship can be found Click on this link [here](#). including service sheets to be printed at home.

For those Methodists feeling the loss of communion, a short act of spiritual communion

Click on this link [here](#)



A selection of streamed Methodist services are taking place online. The list of services, produced with current guidelines in place.

click on this link [here](#).



Telephone - Dial-a-Prayer

A FREE phone service to hear prayers and news from the Methodist Church has been launched.



Listen to a prayer: 0808 281 2514

Listen to news: 0808 281 2478

Content is updated weekly on Thursday evening.

Click on this link [here](#).

Daily Prayers from the Methodist Prayer Handbook

Click on this link [here](#).

Take Time produced by Reigate Methodist Church has many themed meditations on topics such as anxiety.

Click on this link [here](#).

Cliff College - Weekday morning prayers

The College site may be closed, but Cliff's life and ministry never stops! The Cliff community continues to gather at 8:45am every weekday morning for prayers, broadcast live on our Facebook page, and at 6:15pm for our reflection and worship time, also on Facebook

Click on this link [here](#).

We encourage you to join us at these times.

We're also hosting two virtual open days, on June 2 and 3 – you can find all the information on our website.

Click on this link [here](#).

Other Resources

Pray As You Go are producing a daily retreat for people socially isolating:

Click on this link [here](#).

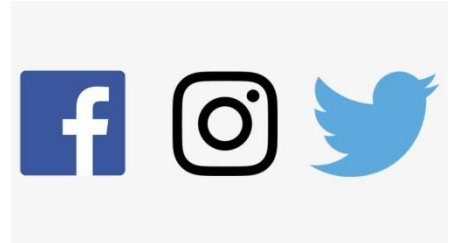
Video Prayers

Click on this link [here](#).

News

Social Media

Guidelines



A healthy Christian community is a safe place of mutual care, where all people feel valued, loved and respected. The Methodist Church has updated its guidelines for engaging on social media to reflect those values. You can read the guidelines [here](#).

TMCP

Charity Commission Annual Returns

The Connexional Team have produced the following guidance relating to the submission of Annual Returns to the Charity Commission



To read more please click [here](#).

**Regular updates will be given on social media pages
And on the Methodist Church website.**

Click on this link [here](#).

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HOPE
AS AN ANCHOR
FOR THE SOUL,
FIRM & SECURE.



HEBREWS 6:19