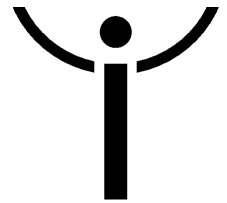


The Methodist Church West Bridgford

Musters Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham NG2 7PQ



‘Month at a Glance’ Diary - February 2012

A Welcome to West Bridgford Methodist Church!

If you are attending worship for the first time, please speak with one of the stewards and ask for a ‘Welcome Pack’. You can leave your contact details and someone from our pastoral team will be in touch. Refreshments are served in the hall after 10.30am service and we invite you to join us. Donations are used to support a wide range of charities. There is a ‘*Traidcraft*’ stall selling fairly traded goods and a greetings card stall.

A verse for this month, as we think about ‘Being Disciples – Making Disciples’

“Go, therefore, to all nations and make them my disciples; baptise them in the name of the father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all that I have commanded you. I will be with you always, to the end of time” *Matthew 28 v19,20*

Upcoming events

This leaflet gives details of a range of church activities. If you need them, please ask for further details. There are also lists are displayed in the church corridor giving details for a wide range of other community groups and classes who meet on our premises during the week. Family friendly events are indicated with a ☺ symbol



*A loop system is installed in church.
Switch hearing aids to the T position*



*We have wheelchair accessible
facilities. Please ask a steward.*

***Large print
books and
documents
are available
from the door
stewards. Please ask.***



This table gives an outline of our weekly pattern of activities.

Sun	10.30	Morning Worship, with Youth Plus, Sunday Club & Crèche ☺	Worship for everyone
	3.00	Faith & Light Service ☺ (1 st Sun of Month)	Worship for people with learning difficulties
	4.00 5.30	Fun Zone & tea followed by Link Service (2nd Sun of Month) ☺	Social event followed by contemporary worship for all
	4.00	Love Out Loud Tea Time Service ☺ (4 th Sun of Month)	Worship for young families
	6.30	Youth club	Social group for youth
Mon	2.30	Monday Afternoon Fellowship (Fortnightly)	Study group at people's homes
	8.00	Open House	Study group at people's homes
	7.30	38 + (monthly, day of week varies)	Men's social group
Tue	10.00	Story Time (fortnightly) ☺	Pre-school group
	6.30	Rainbows & Brownies	
	7,30	Ladies Tuesday group (1stTue of Month)	Ladies social group
Wed	9.30	Toddlers (morning session) ☺	Toddlers with Parents & Carers
	10.00	Meeting Point	Seniors social group
	1.15	Toddlers (afternoon session) ☺	Toddlers with Parents & Carers
	7.30	Faith and Light Family ☺ (2 nd Wed of Month)	For younger people with learning difficulties
	7.30	Badminton Club	at Rushcliffe Leisure Centre
	8.00	Midweek @ 8 (monthly, day of week varies)	Women's social group,
Thu	2.30	Women's Fellowship	Women's social group
	7.30	Thursday Fellowship (monthly)	Study group at people's homes
Fri	6.15	Beavers & Cubs	
	7.00	Scouts	
Sat	8.30	Men at Prayer (fortnightly)	Prayer group – for men!
	10.00	Community Coffee mornings ☺	Run by different organisations
	10.15	Coffee Time Prayer (2 nd Sat of month)	
		BMW - Bridgford Methodist Walkers (3 rd Sat of month) ☺	Walking group – half or full day walks
	7.00	Mah-jong & Games group (monthly)	Social games group

The 'Month at a Glance' Diary is available by email.

To subscribe, please register with John Heard, email: jdheard@tiscali.co.uk

Any future copies will then be sent automatically to you.

Sunday Worship this month

We have a varied pattern of worship services, so you are sure to find something that will really speak to you, and if you want to try something different, that might also be just what you have been looking for!

Sunday 5th February

10.30am

*Mrs Ruth Pickles, Vice President of Methodist Conference, leads worship
Church Breakfast from 9.00am. ☺*

3.00pm

Faith and Light, an ecumenical gathering for those with learning difficulties, their friends & families. ☺

Sunday 12th February

10.30am

Mrs Rosie Farrow, a Local Preacher and a member of The Church at Gamston, leads our worship. ☺

5.30pm

'Links' Service, an informal time of Contemporary Worship led by our minister, Rev Dr Paul Hill. ☺

Sunday 19th February

10.30am

*Worshipping Together, led by our minister, Rev Dr Paul Hill, for all ages.
Tea and Toast from 9.30am ☺*

3.00pm

Holy Communion, a quieter time of more Traditional Worship, led by our minister, Rev Dr Paul Hill.

Sunday 26th February

10.30am

On the first Sunday in Lent, Rev Janet Tanner, a Presbyter at Radcliffe on Trent leads our morning worship. ☺

4.00pm

'Love Out Loud', worship for all ages, 9 to 95, led by Lynda & Martin Blyth followed by sharing over tea. ☺

Fellowship Groups this month

Open House – Mondays at 8.00pm

Monday 6 th Feb	61 Melton Road, Tollerton	“The coming of the King” (Mark 13 v. 1 – 13 v. 37)
Monday 13 th Feb	Half Term - no meeting	
Monday 20 th Feb	Gardens Court	“The betrayal of the King” (Mark 14 v. 1 – 14 v. 65)
Monday 27 th Feb	Church (7.30 pm start)	Lent Group – Open Meeting, all welcome “The Way, the Truth and the Life”

This session is the first of a series of five studies for Lent based on the Cover-to-Cover Lent course booklet “The Time has come”. Organised through the Open House group, this is a study of Jesus’ words as he looked ahead to the cross – based mainly on passages from St John’s gospel. It will last for five weeks and is open to all. More details to follow in “VOICE”, in the meantime further details are available from Brian Horler.

Women’s Fellowship – Thursdays at 2.30pm

Thursday 2 nd February	Mr Paul Johns	
Thursday 9 th February	Rev & Mrs Harrison from South Africa ‘Habitat for Humanity’	Methodist Women in Britain Circuit World Church Service All Welcome
Thursday 16 th February	Members Afternoon	Produce Stall
Thursday 23 rd February	Mrs Ann Thomas	‘Fun with a Serviette’

Home Groups

Thursday 2 nd February	7.30pm at 2, Bromley Road, led by Monica Heard
Monday 6 th February	2.30pm at 39, Violet Road, led by John Mellor
Monday 20 th February	2.30pm at 39, Violet Road, led by John Mellor

Prayer Groups

Saturday 4 th February	8.30am at church, Men’s Prayer Group
Saturday 11 th February	10.15 at church, Coffee Time Prayer Group
Saturday 18 th February	8.30am at church, Men’s Prayer Group

Other Dates for your Diary this month

Wednesday 1st February	7.30pm	Circuit Inter-Faith Group meets at church Rev Dr RG Jones 'Relationships between Christians & Jews'
<i>The first weekend of February is an important one in the life of our church. Ruth Pickles, who is Vice President of the Methodist Conference this year and one of the two national leaders who are elected annually is visiting our church.</i>		
Saturday 4th February	2.00pm – 3.00pm ☺	Ruth Pickles has asked to meet families connected with our church to talk about church, Christianity and family life. PLEASE EMAIL PAUL HILL revddrpaulhill@gmail.com BY END OF JAN if you are coming to this one hour meeting.
	7.00pm	Mahjong and Games Group
Sunday 5th February	9.00am ☺	Pre-service breakfast (Full Monty (£5) or Little Monty (£2.50)) served 9am to 9.30am. PLEASE EMAIL MARK BUTLER markbutler17@live.co.uk BY END OF JANUARY to book.
	10.30am ☺	Family-friendly worship led by Mrs Ruth Pickles, together with Rev Dr Paul Hill, which will involve making something tasty!
Tuesday 7th February	7.30pm	Tuesday Group Open Meeting in Room 4 An opportunity to hear about the work of the Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance Service.
Wednesday 8th February	7.30pm	Methodist URC Liaison Group
Tuesday 9th February	7.30pm	Church Council
Saturday 18th February	10.30am ☺	Bridgford Methodist Walkers meet at Old Dalby for a five mile morning walk. Details from John deBoer
	2.30pm	Saturday Church Café
Wednesday 22nd Feb	7.30pm	Ash Wednesday Service to include traditional ashing and Holy Communion
Thursday 23rd Feb	8.00pm	Midweek at 8 'Activity Evening' Details from Gill Cubitt
Tuesday 28th Feb	7.30pm	Circuit Local Preachers Meeting
Thursday 1st March	7.30pm	Circuit Executive Meeting
Saturday 3rd March	4.00pm – 7.00pm	Family Games Event ☺

Please pray for

- Our shared life in Christ, both as we worship together and engage in social and outreach activities.
- The visit to our Notts & Derby District of the President and Vice President of the Methodist Conference, Rev Leo Osborn and Mrs Ruth Pickles.
- Our church priorities; Being Disciples and Making Disciples.
- All the members of our congregation, and particularly those who are in hospital or unwell at home.
- For the homeless and vulnerably housed, and the work of Framework and the Friary Drop-In.
- Those parts of the world where there is war and conflict, remembering especially Nigeria and Syria.

A monthly Prayer Diary is available from Georgina Youdell to aid your personal prayer.

Sunday worship

Alongside our preachers and worship leaders, we are grateful to the team of helpers who make our Sunday worship possible, particularly the church stewards, our organists and musicians, the readers, the providers and arrangers of flowers the coffee rota team and the helpers who provide care, teaching and activity for our children and young people.

Staff Team

Our minister works with a team of lay employees and many volunteers to provide a welcoming and caring environment where we can worship God and engage with the local community, whilst growing in the knowledge and love of God and of our saviour, Jesus.

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Items for inclusion in the next edition must reach John Heard by Sunday 19th February.

Our Christmas Giving

Our Christmas services were very well attended, and we were delighted to have the opportunity to send our collections and other offerings at special services to support charities which are close to our heart. Framework, who work with the homeless and vulnerably housed across Nottinghamshire were sent £225, largely from our Church Christmas card, and Action for Children (formerly NCH) were sent £288.

The Tuesday Group

Following the group's Open Meeting on Tuesday 7th February there will a coffee morning on Saturday 3rd March from 9.30am – 12noon to raise money for this valuable work of the Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance Service.

Would you like to join our E-mail circulation lists?

Our minister, Paul, is compiling a list of e-mail addresses of those who would like to receive information about church events in this way. Please hand your details to him or to our Pastoral Convenor, Monica Heard. There are cards for this purpose in the foyer.

Volunteers are needed Please!

There are spaces on both the Flower Providers Rota and the Kitchen Rota for 2012. Firstly, a helper is needed to launder tea towels and keep an eye on the kitchen cleanliness and safety for the month of April. Secondly, there are 6 Sundays during the year when we have no-one to provide flowers to place in the church for worship, and we hope for some offers to help to fill the spaces, perhaps to mark a special occasion, to remember a significant date or to celebrate the memory of a loved one?

If you can help, please speak to Joyce Lingard at Church, phone her on 9235697 or email her at joyce.lingard@mypostoffice.co.uk

A Prayer of Cardinal John Henry Newman (1801 -1890)

Dear Jesus,
Stay with me, and then I shall begin to shine as you shine,
So to shine as to be light for others;
The light, O, Jesus, will be all from you,
None of it will be mine;
It will be you shining on others through me.
Let me thus praise you in the way you love best,
By shining on those around me.



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