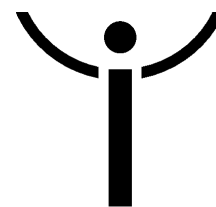


# West Bridgford Methodist Church

## March 2020 “At a Glance”

### A Diary of Worship Services and Other Events



Where “details below” is shown next to a diary entry please see the general notices at the end of “At a Glance” for more information. Our Youth Engagement Worker, Abby may be contacted by email or phone – see printed version of “At a Glance” for the details.

**Contact details are NOT given in the WEB version of “At a Glance”, where needed this information can be found in the printed version available at church. Where this information has been removed the phrase “contact details available in printed version” has been given instead.**

#### **MARCH PROJECT (M for MARCH) :**

A whole church project throughout the month of March, supporting local, national and international charities (Meadows Food Bank, Multiple Sclerosis, Medicine Sans Frontiers).

More details are to be found in the general notices at the end of “At a Glance”

#### **Car Park Permits**

We are very fortunate to have a limited number of off-road parking spaces beside the church for people who need to use them. Church members who use this facility must have a permit which is displayed in their car, and these are now available for collection from the pigeon hole in the foyer for those who have requested them.

Sunday 01 March	10.30 am	<b>MORNING WORSHIP</b> <b>Including Holy Communion</b> <b>conducted by Revd Mark Roberts.</b> With SUNDAY CLUB offering faith, friendship and fun for children and young people. Flowers donated by Chris Richardson.
	<b>Fair Trade Stall.</b> After the conclusion of our worship there will be a special display with several new lines on our stall after church. Come and support FAIR TRADE FORTHNIGHT while treating yourself.	
	Community Lunch (following refreshments after morning worship). This is part of the church’s March project – further details in the notices section of “At a Glance”	
	3.00 – 5.00 pm	<b>Faith and Light Sunday Group.</b> Meeting in the Church and Community Hall.

Monday 02 March	2.00 – 4.00 pm	<b>Memory Lane Café.</b> Come and enjoy reminiscence, activities with music & singing, make new friends and enjoy tea & cake!
	7.30 pm	<b>Open House Fellowship Group.</b> Tonight, we continue our study of the “Sermon on the Mount” (from Matthew’s gospel). In addition, there will <b>be</b> a time of fellowship, prayer and concluding with tea or coffee. We are meeting at Gardens Court. Details from Brian Horler.
Tuesday 03 March	7.00 pm	<b>“God in love unites us : Marriage and Relationships”.</b> A meeting where we can consider the Methodist Church’s latest thoughts on this subject. Further details to follow.
Wednesday 04 March	9.30 – 11.30 am	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
	10.00 am - Midday	<b>Meeting Point.</b> Meeting at Epperstone Court. A warm and friendly group. Come for a cuppa and biscuits, a natter and a laugh. Look forward to meeting you.
	1.30 - 3.00 pm	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
Thursday 05 March	2.15 – 4.00 pm	<b>Singing Together.</b> Led by Simon Thompson and meeting in the community Hall. Further details below.
	7.30 pm	<b>Thursday Fellowship.</b> Meeting in the Community Hall. Tonight our meeting will be led by Wilma Young. All are welcome to join us. More details from Monica Heard.
Saturday 07 March	9.30 am – Midday	<b>Community Coffee Morning followed by soup lunch (at midday).</b> Meeting in the Community Hall. Hosted by Audrey Nicholson and ther Dancing School families in aid of the “Church March Project” (more details in the general notices at the end of “At a Glance”).

Saturday 07 March (continued)	11.00 am - 1.00 pm	<b>Friary Fundraising Sale at Sir Julien Cahn Pavilion, West Park, West Bridgford NG2 7JE.</b> Further information on Church notice board.
	1.30 – 5.00 pm	<b>God in Love Unites Us.</b> A chance for young people to gather to consider and discuss the report of the Marriage and Relationships Task Group. A meeting at St Martins Methodist Church DE24 9BH
	7.30 pm	<b>Social Singers Concert.</b> Tickets available from John Heard.
Sunday 08 March	10.30 am	<b>MORNING WORSHIP conducted by Robin Wilcockson.</b> With SUNDAY CLUB offering faith, friendship and fun for children and young people. Flowers donated by Michael and Vanessa Johnson.
	1.30 – 5.00 pm	<b>God in Love Unites Us.</b> A chance for young people to gather to consider and discuss the report of the Marriage and Relationships Task Group. A meeting at Nuthall Methodist Church NG16 1DP
	4.00 – 5.30 pm	<b>Family games night with tea and toast.</b> All are welcome. For further details from our Youth Engagement Worker, Abby.
Monday 09 March	2.30 – 4.00 pm	<b>John Mellor's Monday Afternoon Fellowship Group at Ann's.</b> A warm welcome is assured from this friendly group meeting at Ann Latham's house twice a month for fellowship, discussion and prayer. An interesting afternoon is promised with tea and cake too. See Ann or Georgina for more details.

Tuesday 10 March	10.00 – 11.30 am	<b>Sing, Praise and Play.</b> A new group for children aged 6 months to 4 years. This group includes songs, a short Bible story with craft, refreshments and a time for play. For further details see below.
	10.00 am	<b>Coffee and Chat.</b> Please see Fiona Steele for further details.
	2.00 – 4.00 pm	<b>Dementia Friendly Film Show</b>
Wednesday 11 March	9.30 – 11.30 am	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
	10.00 am - Midday	<b>Meeting Point (Meeting in church).</b> A warm and friendly group. Come for a cuppa and biscuits, a natter and a laugh. Look forward to meeting you.
	1.30 – 3.30 pm	<b>Woolly Wednesday.</b> Meeting in church. A time for craft, care and cake. A time to share skills and learn new ones. Details from Jane Everett and Monica Heard.
	1.30 - 3.00 pm	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
	7.00 – 9.00 pm (approximately)	<b>Faith and Light Wednesday Group</b> Fellowship, craft activities, inclusive worship and simple supper for young people with special needs along with their family and friends. Meeting in the Community Hall
Thursday 12 March	10.00 am – 2.00 pm	<b>Friends Together.</b> A time to socialise with others over a cup of tea.
	2.15 – 4.00 pm	<b>Singing Together.</b> Led by Simon Thompson and meeting in the community Hall. Further details below.
Friday 13 March	<b>Take 2 Walk from Farnsfield.</b> Details from Fiona Steele nearer the time.	

Saturday 14 March	8.30 am	<b>Men's Prayer Group</b> : Further details below.
	9.30 am - Midday	<b>Community Coffee Morning.</b> Meeting in the Community Hall. Hosted by Audrey Nicholson and Jane Everett in aid of the "Church March Project" (more details in the general notices at the end of "At a Glance").
	10.00 am - 1.00 pm	<b>Friary Fundraising Sale at Cotgrave Welfare Club.</b> Supported by The Rotary Club of the Vale of Belvoir (Cotgrave Notts NH12 3PJ). Further information on Church notice board.
Sunday 15 March	10.30 am	<b>MORNING WORSHIP conducted by Simon Foulds.</b> With SUNDAY CLUB offering faith, friendship and fun for children and young people. Flowers donated by Irene Braybrook.
	4.00 – 5.30 pm	<b>Afternoon Tea (in aid of the March Project).</b>
Monday 16 March	10.00 – 11.00 am	<b>Pastoral Prayer time for Pastoral visitors.</b> Meeting in room 4 at church.
	11.00 am – 1.30 pm	<b>Helping Hands.</b> This month we are making a special effort to encourage newcomers to join us. We need to work on the jobs needed to keep our church clean and welcoming for all and share our fellowship lunch.

Monday 16 March (continued)	2.00 pm	<p><b>New group - For those who enjoy singing more nostalgic songs.</b></p> <p>A new group will be starting today at Epperstone Court, to be led by Becky Dowson, Cost £3. For further information contact Jane Everett (contact details available in printed version). We are looking at this group meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday afternoon of the month but further details and confirmation of this will follow....along with a name for the group!</p>
	7.30 pm	<p><b>Open House Fellowship Group.</b></p> <p>Tonight, we continue our study of the “Sermon on the Mount” (from Matthew’s gospel). In addition, there will be a time of fellowship, prayer and concluding with tea or coffee. We are meeting at Gardens Court. Details from Brian Horler.</p>
Tuesday 17 March	2.30 – 4.00 pm	<p><b>WOMEN’S TUESDAY GROUP.</b></p> <p>Speaker : Ted Gray speaking on “Beautiful Britain” – a warm welcome is extended to all to this illustrated talk. The meeting will be in the Community Hall.</p>
Wednesday 18 March	9.30 – 11.30 am	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
	10.00 am - Midday	<p><b>Meeting Point (Meeting in church).</b></p> <p>A warm and friendly group. Come for a cuppa and biscuits, a natter and a laugh. Look forward to meeting you.</p>
	1.15 – 2.45 pm	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>

<p>Wednesday 18 March (continued)</p>	<p>3.30 – 5.30 pm</p>	<p><b>Messy Church.</b></p> <p>All are welcome to join us for this intergenerational family time together. Come and join us as we explore the theme of “God’s Hope” and “Jesus calms the storm” from the Bible through worship, activities and a shared meal together, doors open at 3.30 pm for refreshments. A time of worship and activities for all ages, followed by a meal shared together. Details from our Youth Engagement Worker, Abby.</p>
	<p>7.30 – 9.30 pm</p>	<p><b>Church in Action</b> <b>An Event of Celebration &amp; Prayer</b> (at Trent Vineyard, Lenton Lane, NG7 2PX)</p> <p>Nottingham City Prayer and Faith Action (Nottingham) are running a joint event celebrating and praying for what the church in Nottingham is doing to bless the city through social action.</p> <p>Christian social action projects from across Nottingham are gathering together tonight, for an evening of information, celebration and prayer for the work they are doing.</p> <p>We’re inviting every Christian in the city to join us for this significant evening in the life of our city.</p> <p>Find out more and book your free ticket at <a href="https://churchinaction2020.eventbrite.co.uk">https://churchinaction2020.eventbrite.co.uk</a></p>
<p>Thursday 19 March</p>	<p><b>Singing Together : today there will be no meeting due to previous commitments.</b></p>	
<p>Saturday 21 March</p>		<p><b>Bridgford Methodist Walkers 'Clockwalk'.</b></p> <p>Our second attempt at the '2 O-clock' section of our Clockwalk from Lambley to East Bridgford – postponed due to weather (5 miles). Contact John Thurston (contact details available in printed version) for more details.</p>

Saturday 21 March (continued)	9.30 am - Midday	<b>Community Coffee Morning.</b> Meeting in the Community Hall. Hosted by Audrey Nicholson and Jane Everett in aid of the "Church March Project" (more details in the general notices at the end of "At a Glance").
	7.00 – 9.00 pm	<b>Mahjong and games evening.</b> Meeting in the Community Hall. All are welcome to an evening of fellowship and fun.
Sunday 22 March	<b>Mothering Sunday</b>	
	10.30 am	<b>ALL AGE MORNING WORSHIP conducted by Monica Heard.</b> Flowers donated by Hugh and Marian Crawford.
	4.00 – 6.00 pm	<b>Teatime Service.</b> Family friendly worship followed by a simple supper. All are welcome. Further details from Abby, our Youth Engagement Worker.
Monday 23 March	2.30 – 4.00 pm	<b>John Mellor's Monday Afternoon Fellowship Group at Ann's.</b> A warm welcome is assured from this friendly group meeting at Ann Latham's house twice a month for fellowship, discussion and prayer. An interesting afternoon is promised with tea and cake too. See Ann or Georgina for more details.
Tuesday 24 March	10.00 – 11.30 am	<b>Sing, Praise and Play.</b> A new group for children aged 6 months to 4 years. This group includes songs, a short Bible story with craft, refreshments and a time for play. For further details see below.
	10.00 am	<b>Coffee and Chat.</b> Please see Fiona Steele for further details.



Wednesday 25 March	9.30 – 11.30 am	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
	10.00 am - Midday	<b>Meeting Point</b> (Meeting in church). A warm and friendly group. Come for a cuppa and biscuits, a natter and a laugh. Look forward to meeting you.
	1.30 – 3.30 pm	<b>Woolly Wednesday.</b> Meeting in church. A time for craft, care and cake. A time to share skills and learn new ones. Details from Jane Everett and Monica Heard.
	1.30 - 3.00 pm	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
	6.30 pm	<b>Fair trade talk in Nottingham</b> Robin Roth, the Chief Executive of Traidcraft, will be giving a talk at St Peter's Church in Nottingham entitled 'All we need is: less. Running a company in a world that needs to decelerate fast.'
Thursday 26 March	10.00 am – 2.00 pm	<b>Friends Together.</b> A time to socialise with others over a cup of tea.
	2.15 – 4.00 pm	<b>Singing Together.</b> Led by Simon Thompson and meeting in the community Hall. Further details below.
Saturday 28 March	8.30 am	<b>Men's Prayer Group.</b> Further details below.
	9.30 am - Midday	<b>Community Coffee Morning.</b> Meeting in the Community Hall. Hosted by Audrey Nicholson and Jane Everett in aid of the "Church March Project" (more details in the general notices at the end of "At a Glance").
	2.00 pm	<b>Queenswood Methodist Home.</b> There is a Spring Fair at Queenswood today and friends from West Bridgford who are able to support the fundraising would be made very welcome. The home is on Cliffgrove Avenue in Beeston, NG9 4DP.

	<b>Deadline for submissions for the April issue of "At a Glance"</b>	
Sunday 29 March	10.30 am	<b>MORNING WORSHIP</b> A local arrangement service based on a theme from the "All We Can" Lent study guide. With SUNDAY CLUB offering faith, friendship and fun for children and young people. Flowers donated by Josie Henson.
Wednesday 01 April	9.30 – 11.30 am	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
	10.00 am - Midday	<b>Meeting Point.</b> Meeting at Epperstone Court. A warm and friendly group. Come for a cuppa and biscuits, a natter and a laugh. Look forward to meeting you.
	1.30 - 3.00 pm	<b>Parent, Baby and Toddler Group.</b>
Thursday 02 April	2.15 – 4.00 pm	<b>Singing Together.</b> Led by Simon Thompson and meeting in the community Hall. Further details below.
Saturday 04 April	9.30 am - Midday	<b>Community Coffee Morning.</b> Meeting in the Community Hall. Hosted by Jatinder and Meena Hanspal in aid of the "Guru Nanak Mission Nottingham".
Sunday 05 April	10.30 am	<b>PALM SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP conducted by Revd Mark Roberts.</b> With SUNDAY CLUB offering faith, friendship and fun for children and young people. Flowers donated by Gillian Wright.
	3.00 – 5.00 pm	<b>Faith and Light Sunday Group meeting in in the Church and Community Hall.</b> The meeting tonight includes a service of Holy Communion Meeting conducted by Revd Marian Crawford.

Monday 06 April	2.00 – 4.00 pm	<b>Memory Lane Café.</b> Come and enjoy reminiscence, activities with music & singing, make new friends and enjoy tea & cake!
	7.30 pm	<b>Open House Fellowship Group.</b> Tonight, we continue our study of the “Sermon on the Mount” (from Matthew’s gospel). In addition, there will be a time of fellowship, prayer and concluding with tea or coffee. We are meeting at Gardens Court. Details from Brian Horler.
Wednesday 08 April	10.00 am - Midday	<b>Meeting Point (Meeting in church).</b>
	1.30 – 3.30 pm	<b>Woolly Wednesday.</b>

**Churches Together and Christians throughout Nottingham :**

These two groups are having meetings in May (29<sup>th</sup>) and October (11<sup>th</sup>) – more details to follow in due course.

**WBMC MARCH PROJECT :**

This March the whole church family will be working together to raise funds for 3 charities beginning with the letter M (for March) :

- Meadows Foodbank (local charity)
- Multiple Sclerosis (national charity)
- Medicine Sans Frontiers (international charity)

Please support this venture by trying to attend at least one of the planned events :

- Sunday 1st March - Community Lunch (following refreshments after morning worship)
- Saturday 7th March - Community Coffee Morning (9.30am - 12noon)  
- Soup Lunch (12noon - 1.30pm)  
Concert by WB Social Singers (7.00 pm)  
(John Heard has tickets for sale)
- Saturday 14th March - Community Coffee Morning (9.30am - 12noon)
- Sunday 15th March - Afternoon Tea (4.00pm - 5.30pm)
- Saturday 21st March - Community Coffee Morning (9.30am - 12noon)
- Saturday 28th March - Community Coffee Morning (9.30am - 12noon)

For further details of the March Project see the article in Voice or speak to Audrey Nicholson.

**Sing, Praise and Play :**

The focus will be on singing a variety of both Christian and popular children's songs. It will also include a short story from the Bible and a related craft activity. It will finish with a snack and a time for play. The group will be appropriate for babies and up to school age children. Please speak to Jane Ashley if you feel you can help out in any way, either fortnightly or monthly. Thank you, Jane Ashley (West Bridgford Family Worker).

**Supporting The Homeless And Hungry In Our Local Area :**

Collection boxes are situated in the church foyer for items to support the work of "Friary Drop In" and "The Meadows Food Bank".

Your donations will be greatly appreciated.

FRIARY DROP IN - Toiletries, Clothing, Bedding and Small Household Items.

THE MEADOWS FOOD BANK - Non-perishable Food Items and Cleaning Products.

Many Thanks, Audrey Nicholson and Phil Bramall.

**Action for Children home collecting boxes :**

Calling all holders of "Action for Children" home collecting boxes. Please hand your boxes to John or Carolyn de Boer for counting and banking ready for the charity's year end (31<sup>st</sup> March). Thank you for supporting "Action for Children".

**Ukelele Group :**

The church Uke group continues to meet usually twice a month, for details please contact Myke Blackburn.

**Singing Together :**

Singing Together has a new Choir Leader, Simon Thompson, who leads the "Social Singers" and "Everyone Can Sing" will be taking over leading the singing for our choir. Please note that the choir will be starting at 2.15pm, followed by refreshments. There's a small charge of £3.00. The aims of the choir remain the same, we enjoy a good sing and have fun meeting up with our friends. We welcome new members and you don't need to be a confident singer to join us. Want to know more please contact Jane Everett, Community Engagement Officer [community@wbmethodist.org.uk](mailto:community@wbmethodist.org.uk) or see contact details available in printed version.

**Foodprint - Volunteer Store Manager :**

Foodprint is a social enterprise started by students at the University of Nottingham, tackling food waste and food poverty, they sell surplus food from various partners at a reduced price. This is done through a low cost “social supermarket” located in Sneinton.

Volunteers are crucial to this enterprise and they are currently looking for volunteers store managers, the shifts are usually for four hours. If you are interested, further details are to be found on the church notice board.

**Men’s Prayer Group (meeting in Room 4) :**

Anyone who wants to join is welcome and should contact Charles Rayner (contact details available in printed version).

**Christian Books in church :**

We offer a selection of books which we have on sale or return basis and they are priced on a slip inside the book. We also have a separate selection of sale / preowned books available. Please leave the slips on the small tray on the table and let Myke Blackburn have your money when you see him.

**Preowned books in Hall :**

We have a book stall in the Hall books at £1 each – children’s books please leave a donation. We are pleased to take unwanted books – contact Myke Blackburn.

**The next edition of “At a Glance” :**

This will cover April (the period Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May). The absolute deadline for submissions is Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March. ALL submissions MUST be by e-mail (contact details available in printed version) or in writing (to Brian Horler – can be placed in the appropriate “pigeon hole” at Church). It would be appreciated if submissions were made by e-mail wherever possible because it makes things much easier (and less prone to errors) than if written submissions are made.

Brian Horler, Editor of “At a Glance”.