



# Welcome To Catshill Methodist Church Centre

**Worship God  
Welcome Everyone  
Serve the Community**

Newsletter – July 18<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup> 2024

## OUR CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

**WORSHIP (10.30 am unless stated otherwise)**

**Sunday 21st July - A Local Arrangement**

**Sunday 28th July - Morning Worship led  
by Dave Morgan**

Worship plans also available here:

<https://www.catshillmethodists.org.uk/worship>

### Mrs. Pat Eley

It is with great sadness that we announce the news that Pat Eley passed away on Sunday afternoon at the Alex Hospital. Although she had retired from actively preaching she was a faithful servant of God, a great friend of many at Catshill and a wonderful local preacher. Details of her funeral will follow when available.

### Christmas Experience

The next meeting for those interested in helping with the Christmas Experience, planned for Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> to the 4<sup>th</sup>, will be on **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Sept.** at 3pm in the porch.

### Wednesday Aaradhana Group

The Aaradhana group will meet in the manse, at 7:30pm on **14<sup>th</sup> August & 18<sup>th</sup> Sept.** All welcome to join in this midweek group for Christian fellowship, conversation, Bible study and more.

### BaC-Up (Bereaved and Carer's Group)

The next meeting of this group will be on **Tuesday July 30<sup>th</sup>** at 2.30 pm. The group meets on the last Tuesday of the month. All carers, present and past, and those bereaved at any time, welcome. Join us for chat, coffee/tea & cake!

### Prayer Group

Prayer group will restart in September.

### Rendezvous

The next meeting is **July 25<sup>th</sup>** when Andy Bishop will talk about the Weatheroak Murder. All welcome at 10 am for coffee.

### Busy Bees

Busy Bees is an informal group sharing ideas & encouragement on a wide range of craft projects. All are welcome. Next meeting will be at 10.30-12.30 on **August 1<sup>st</sup>** in the church and then fortnightly.

### ECO church information & top tips

Let's be Catshill Recycling heroes:

1. You can give your old printer ink cartridges to Latika, who is collecting them for Alcester Methodist Church.
2. If you are unable to get to the supermarket to recycle your old batteries, a box has been put on the top shelf in the Big cupboard located next to the toilet in our coffee shop area. The Eco Church team will then take them on your behalf.

### Coach Trips

The planned coach trips for 2024 are:

**14<sup>th</sup> Sept: Cambridge £29 – leaves 9 am**

**9<sup>th</sup> Nov: Cheltenham £20 – leaves 9.30 am**

(Names to Tricia or committee member).

### Dates for your diary

Cream tea at Church on **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup>**

**July** 2-4 pm. Tickets £4 (or £5 on the day).

Quiz night on **Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> October** 6 pm at Church. Bring your own food.

### Coffee shop news and planned events

News from the Coffee Shop Committee:

Thank you so much for your support and generosity for our recent fundraising.

£224.47 was raised for the family that Latika is helping to support and £161.50 for Zambuka de Jehova. To raise a total of £386 in one weekend is amazing and we could not do it without you.

On 12<sup>th</sup> July West Mercia police held a surgery during coffee shop with quite a few local people popping in. The police were pleased with the response and the welcome they received. They plan to repeat the surgery every 6 - 8 weeks on a

Friday or Saturday between 10.30 and 12.30. We'll let you know the dates later.

Planned events: Macmillan Coffee

Morning **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

Choir Concert - **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Sept.** with both the Men's and the general choir

Strings orchestra concert - **October 26<sup>th</sup>.**

Children in Need - **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

Performance from the Platform Players (schoolchildren playing music) **Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>** 11.30-12.30.

Christmas Music with the Strings Orchestra **Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup>** 11am to midday

Carols around the Piano/Christmas Jumper Day - **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

**Gladys's "Open Door" Charity Event**

... at 69 Spadesbourne Road, Lickey End **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** 10am-midday (toasted tea cake and coffee) and/or 2.00-4.00pm (cream tea). £3 either session. Bring and Buy table. All takings will be donated to the EDWARDS TRUST - Bereavement Counselling for the Birmingham Children Hospital. Please support this charity event.

**Dave & Di's art group exhibition**

... will be at Alvechurch Village Hall on **Thursday to Saturday July 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>** (10-6 Thurs/Fri, 10-5 on Saturday) Free entry! (Poster attached to email copies)

**More Dates for your Diary**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August - Communion Service led by Rev Brian Mason**

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August - Morning Worship led by Ian Athey**

## **OUR CIRCUIT NEWS & EVENTS**

**Peckwood Forest Activities**

<https://www.facebook.com/Peckwood-Forest-Space-107329065639646>

**Live streamed services from Studley**

<https://www.youtube.com/@studleymethodistchurch/streams>

**Mission Action Plan Workshop**

The Mini-Map Workshop planned for this **Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> July**, will now be on Zoom due to Covid infections. Please refer to

your notices email for the zoom joining details or speak with someone in your church.

There is also a document attached (*email copies only*) which you will need for the session on setting your Mini Mission Action.

If you are not attending but you know of others in your church who were planning to please ensure they know of this change.

## **OUR DISTRICT & OTHER NEWS**

**3 Generate Newsletter**

The latest newsletter about this year's 3 generate event is attached (*to email copies only*).

**PRAYER FOR TODAY**

Lord, I don't know what lies before me today, but I commit it all to you. Please give me strength and courage to get through the joys, challenges and that happens today. Thank you for my life and for all that I have; I commit this day to you. No matter what happens, I know you have me in the palm of your hand. Amen

**Notices and News to Dave Morgan at [meandi@btinternet.com](mailto:meandi@btinternet.com) by 5 p.m. on Thursday August 1<sup>st</sup> please**

*If you are reading a printed copy of this and would like it on email please let Dave know.*

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<https://www.catshillmethodists.org.uk/notices>