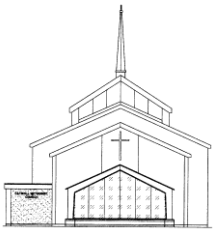
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Welcome To Catshill Methodist Church Centre

Worship God
Welcome Everyone
Serve the Community

Newsletter: November 19th – December 3rd 2026

OUR CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

WORSHIP (10.30 am unless stated otherwise)
Sunday 22nd November - Communion Service led by Rev Anne Smith

Sunday 29th November - Morning Worship led by Martin Tingle.

Current/future worship plans also available here:
https://www.catshillmethodists.org.uk/worship

Catshill light switch on
Our Church is the venue for the Village light switch on this **Saturday 21st** from 3pm. Do come along to see the stalls inside, have a hot drink & mince pie. Please note the car park will not be in use due to food vendors & space for Father Christmas and his sleigh

BaC-Up (Bereaved and Carer's Group)
The next BaC-Up meeting will be 2.30 pm on **Tuesday 24th November**. As it is the last one this year we are asking everyone to bring in a "Christmas Memento of a Christmas Past" All carers, present and past, and anyone bereaved at any time welcome.

An invitation from the Coffee Shop Committee
We are holding our annual Carols around the Piano/Christmas Jumper Day on Saturday **19th December** between 10 and noon. It's always a lovely morning when you get the chance to sing your favourite carols and Christmas songs. As well as the normal drinks, there'll be plenty of mince pies available. All donations received will go to Save the Children. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Church Christmas Tree
We will be decorating our indoor Christmas tree on Friday **4th December** during coffee shop. If you would like to help please do come along.

Christingle
A working party will be preparing the Christingles on Wednesday **23rd December** at 10am. It would be really appreciated if we could have donations of raisins & cocktail sticks in advance. A box will be in the porch from Sunday.

Busy Bees
This is a fortnightly informal group sharing ideas & encouragement on a wide range of craft projects. All are welcome. Next meeting will be 10.30-12 on **November 26th** in the porch.

Rendezvous
The next meeting of Rendezvous will be the annual Christmas meal on **Thursday December 3rd**

Invitation to the Christmas Experience
Everyone is invited to an open session of the Christmas Experience on **November 29th** at 3 or 3.45 p.m. Booking not necessary, just come along, it's free!

Eco tip
We are heading into the most wasteful time of the year. When gifting think experiences, think will the person actually use this? Shop to a list to avoid food waste and over consumption. When wrapping, think about reusable bags or brown paper rather than shiny paper that can't always be recycled.

Event Dates for your diary
12th December – Film afternoon after coffee shop. More details later.

Worship Dates for your diary
Sunday 6th December - Toy Service led by Rev Anne Smith

Sunday 13th December - Communion Service led by Rev Ruth Fry with the Mission Praise band

Sunday 20th December - Morning Worship led by Graeme Russell.

Christmas Services at Catshill
Sunday 20th December - 5 pm Candlelight Carol Service led by Rev Ruth Fry

Thursday 24th December - 4 pm Christingle led by Rev Ruth Fry

Friday 25th December - 11 am Christmas Morning Worship led by Rev Ruth Fry

Sunday 27th December - NO SERVICE

OUR CIRCUIT NEWS & EVENTS

Peckwood Forest Space Activities

Details of all **December** events are on the attached poster (*email copies only*) or at: https://www.facebook.com/Peckwood-Forest-Space-107329065639646

TEAMS4YOU (from Gladys Hatton)

Last reminder about Christmas shoeboxes for children in Ukraine, Belarus, Romania, Bosnia and possibly Croatia. Boxes available in the porch at 50p each. There will be a leaflet telling you the most suitable items to include in it. The last date for collection from the church is **December 1st**. Thank you.

OTHER NEWS

Alcester Male Voice Choir Autumn Concert

Attached (*to email copies only)* is a poster about an Autumn Concert at Alcester Baptist Church on Saturday November 21st at 3 pm.

Bromsgrove branch of Pop Voices

Russell & June Luckock's daughter, Christine, writes, "Just wondered if anyone who would like to join the new'ish Bromsgrove branch of Pop Voices, an all-inclusive community choir run by Anya Small (also branches in Solihull, Shirley, Redditch, Balsall Heath, Wootton Wawen & Pembrokeshire!) A few weeks ago they recorded a charity single as called "Painkiller" at Abbey Road Studios which was written and arranged in house by their leaders and has been released on Spotify and You Tube! All the proceeds go to Singwell, a local not-for-profit organization dedicated to creating welcoming spaces where people of all ages and backgrounds can access the health and social benefits of singing regardless of musical experience. Find out more at https://pop.voices.co.uk where you can also book a free taster and find more contact details.

A prayer for the broken

Lord, we pray for all who are depressed and feel defeated by life. Bring your healing to all who are broken, ease their pain and touch them with your Holy Spirit, that their sorrow will turn into joy. We ask that you will wrap your ever-loving arms around all who suffer, that they may rejoice and walk in the redeeming light of loving and being loved by you. Amen.

Michael Limmer, writer, Witney

Methodist Prayers for each day can be found at https://www.methodist.org.uk/faith/prayer-for-the-day/

Notices and News to Dave Morgan at meandi@btinternet.com by 5 p.m. on Thursday December 3rd 2026 please.

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

These notices are also available here: https://www.catshillmethodists.org.uk/notices