



# Welcome To Catshill Methodist Church Centre

**Worship God  
Welcome Everyone  
Serve the Community**

Newsletter: July 2<sup>nd</sup> – July 16<sup>th</sup> 2026

## OUR CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

### WORSHIP (10.30 am unless stated otherwise)

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Morning Worship led by Jackie Russell**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July - Morning Worship led by Sally Meredith with the Mission Praise band**

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

### Margaret Baker

Margaret Baker passed away peacefully on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June in Tutnall Hall Nursing Home. Everyone will be welcome at a service of celebration of Margaret's life on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 1.00pm** at Catshill Methodist Church followed by a ~~family only~~ service at Waseley Crem at 2.30pm. Food will be available at church whilst the family are away for those wishing to stay. There will also be a Book of Condolence which everyone is asked to sign and add any stories to share about Margaret. Dress code is BRIGHT AND CHEERFUL as that was what Margaret was. **(Please note change as Margaret's friends would also be welcome at the Crematorium)**

### Our church's version of Psalm 15

At the morning service on June 21<sup>st</sup> Rev Ruth treated us to a more modern version of Psalm 150 (the one that starts each line with "Praise God...") and then asked the congregation, in small groups, to write their own versions which were used later in the service. The results are attached (*email copies only*).

### Flowers in Church for Worship

If you would like to put your name down on the rota for flowers, but have someone else arrange them for you, please speak to Di. The flowers will be purchased and arranged for you, but the volunteers arranging them will need reimbursing for the flowers purchased.

### Rendezvous

The next meeting of Rendezvous is a Summer Meal Out on **Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please speak to Brenda or Tricia for details.

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

The next BaC-Up meeting will be at 2.30 pm on **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July**. All carers, present and past, and anyone bereaved at any time welcome. Join us for chat, coffee/tea & cake

### Coffee shop events

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July**. Bromsgrove Strings will be joining us for their summer concert. This is always a very enjoyable morning and we look forward to welcoming you.

### Eco news: 🌿

Thank you to all those who came to support our last garden clean up. Our next one is **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am-11.30am** when we'll be cleaning up the long stretch from the gate to the far back wall (the area next to the compost bins). Any help big or small would be appreciated. The Eco Team

### Dates for 2026 coach trips (with prices)

**12th September** - Windsor £35

**31st October** - Bridgnorth and Ludlow £20

### Event Dates for your diary

**14<sup>th</sup> November** – Quiz (with hot dog lunch)

**12<sup>th</sup> December** – Film afternoon after coffee shop. More details later.

### 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 **July 9<sup>th</sup>** in the porch.

### Worship Dates for your Diary

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July - Morning Worship led by John Legge**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July - Communion Service led by Rev Steve Levett**

## OUR CIRCUIT NEWS & EVENTS

### Peckwood Forest Church part time vacancy

Our circuit is seeking a passionate and imaginative Pioneer to enable our Forest Church to move into its next phase. Closing date for applications is **July 5<sup>th</sup>**. All details are on attached documents (*email copies only*)

### Rev Steve Levett's farewell service

Rev Steve Levett retires on August 31<sup>st</sup> and his farewell service is planned for **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July** at 6 pm at Bromsgrove Methodist. All are invited to join in giving thanks for his ministry.

### **Peckwood Forest Space Activities**

Peckwood Forest Space have our summer open day on **Saturday 25th July** 11am until 3pm. Come along for live music, explore the woods, bbq, ice cream, crafts & bubbles of course. Attached (*email copies only*) are posters for that and other events. Feel free to pass these on. More about Peckwood here: <https://www.facebook.com/Peckwood-Forest-Space-107329065639646>

### **Open Door at Lickey End Methodist Church (in support of Edwards Trust)**

The above event will be on **Monday 20th July** at 10.00-12.00 for morning coffee & toasted tea cake (£2.50), and then 2.00-4.00 for afternoon tea and cream scone (£2.50). There will also be a bring and buy table.

### **OUR DISTRICT NEWS & EVENTS**

#### **West Midlands District festival "BLOOM"**

The West Midlands District is delighted to introduce Bloom, a brand new one-day festival bringing people together from across the District. Taking place on **Saturday 4 July 2026**, 10am-4pm at Trinity Methodist Church, Codsall (WV8 2ER), the day is open to all ages and will include a range of workshops, worship, creative activities and opportunities to connect. This year's theme, Rooted & Growing, invites people to reflect on Methodist roots and explore how we are growing together in Christ. Visit [wmmethodists.org.uk/bloomfestival.html](http://wmmethodists.org.uk/bloomfestival.html) or scan the QR Code for more info /get tickets:



#### **Retirement of Revd Novette Headley**

The District's Co-Chair, Revd Novette Headley is retiring and there will be a celebration of her ministry and retirement on **Saturday 25th July**, at 3.00 pm at Coventry Central Hall. Anyone who wants to attend can do so but you are requested to let the organisers know by **Friday July 10th** at the latest. There are posters and more details attached (*email copies only\**) and you can advise the organisers by email or phone. The organising team are also creating a presentation to

mark the occasion. Any photos or messages to be included should be sent by email by Friday 10th July. There is also a retirement gift being organised and if anyone wants to donate to that details are on the attached email saved as a Word document (*email copies only*)

### **OTHER NEWS & EVENTS**

#### **The Greenhouse at Barnes Close**

The Greenhouse at Barnes Close has an afternoon tea event this **Sunday, 5th July, 2-4pm**

### **A PRAYER**

#### **Prayer of thanks for God's gifts**

Blessed be God, for the glory of a grace never ending, for the gift of a love never changing, for the depth of a peace never failing. Amen

*Isabella Wilson, Methodist class leader (1765-1807)*

**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](mailto:meandi@btinternet.com) **by 5 p.m. on Thursday July 16th 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>