



Welcome To Catshill Methodist Church Centre

**Worship God
Welcome Everyone
Serve the Community**

Newsletter: October 22nd 2026–November 5th 2026

OUR CHURCH NEWS & EVENTS

WORSHIP (10.30 am unless stated otherwise)

Sunday 25th October - Morning Worship led by Rev Ruth Fry with the Mission Praise band

Sunday 1st November - Morning Worship led by Rev Rachel Borgars.

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

Message from Jan after Bob's funeral

What can I say? Thank you sounds so inadequate but I do thank you all from the bottom of my heart for the prayers, love and support that you have shown me over the last few months and especially the last month. Thank you all for the beautiful cards I have received, for so many of you attending the funeral. I'm so sorry if I didn't manage to talk to you much it was all a bit overwhelming but your presence was appreciated by all the family. A special thank you to Anne for assisting at the funeral and to Miriam, Helen and the Men's Choir for your part. It was so good and I have received so many lovely comments about you. Finally, thank you for the donations given in memory of Bob. Presently, the total stands at £1,085, an amazing amount which will be divided between Guide Dog Association and Dementia UK. Sending you my love and gratitude. God Bless you all, Jan

Musical in a Day

...is an afternoon/evening of singing, acting, sharing and enjoying "The Inn Crowd" a musical by Roger Jones – the nativity through the eyes of the inn keeper and his wife. Starts at 12 noon on Saturday November 7th. Bring your own lunch! Free event – see poster attached (*email copies only*)

BaC-Up (Bereaved and Carer's Group)

The next BaC-Up meeting will be 2.30 pm on **Tuesday 27th October**. Our subject will be "**Complain or Compliment!**" in other words what makes you moan and what pleases you!" All carers, present and past, and anyone bereaved at any time welcome.

Coffee Shop Events

Our next Coffee shop fundraisers will be:
Friday 13th November: Children in Need Day
Saturday 19th December: Carols around the Piano/Christmas Jumper Day.

Rendezvous

The next meeting of Rendezvous will be getting "Back to Gentle keep-fit" with Hayley on **Thursday November 5th**. All welcome at 10am for coffee.

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 **October 29th** in the porch.

Invitation to the Christmas Experience

Everyone is invited to an open session of the Christmas Experience on November 29th at 3 pm or 3.45. Booking not necessary, just come along, it's free! See attached poster (*email copies only*).

Eco tip ♻️

If we were all to extend the lifetime of our clothing by 9 months, by repairing, re-purposing or buying second hand we would save globally 20% - 30% of our carbon, waste and water footprint.

Dates for 2026 coach trips (with prices)

31st October - Bridgnorth and Ludlow £20

Event Dates for your diary

14th November – Quiz (with hot dog lunch)

12th December – Film afternoon after coffee shop. More details later.

Worship Dates for your diary

Sunday 8th November - NO MORNING SERVICE - Remembrance Day Service in the Village at 10 am

Sunday 8th November - 4 pm Afternoon Peace Service for Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 15th November - Morning Worship led by James Knott with the Mission Praise band.

Sunday 15th November - 4 pm Bromsgrove & Redditch Safeguarding Circuit Service.

OUR CIRCUIT NEWS & EVENTS

Peckwood Forest Space Activities

Details of all November events on the attached posters (*email copies only*) or at: <https://www.facebook.com/Peckwood-Forest-Space-107329065639646>

Cardiff Methodist Community Choir (CMCC)

CMCC are coming to Bromsgrove Methodist Church on Saturday 31st October & Sunday 1st November 2026 as part of their Autumn Tour. CMCC are a collective of singers and musicians from all walks and views of life but with a joint love for music, a heart of faith and a passion for social justice. "SHOUT!" is an innovating and exciting way to hear, feel, sing and SHOUT! the Gospel, in conjunction with the Justice, Dignity and Solidarity strategy within The Methodist Church. All welcome. More information on the attached poster (*email copies only*) and more here: <https://www.facebook.com/WeAreCMCC/> <https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/our-stories/cardiff-methodist-community-choir-singing-for-social-justice/>

TEAMS4YOU (from Gladys Hatton)

It's time to start preparing for Christmas for the children in Ukraine, Belarus, Romania, Bosnia and possibly Croatia. If you feel that you could give the children a shoebox with various items in, which would most likely be the only gift that have ever been given then please take a bright orange shoebox from the porch (50p). There will be a leaflet telling you the most suitable items to include in it. I will be very grateful on their behalf. When the box is completed please return it to church and I will collect it and it will be collected from my home, then taken to the Warehouse in Evesham to be checked prior to travelling off to one of the named countries. If you would like to know more please contact me - many of the church stewards have my contact details. The last date for collection from the church is December 1st, but boxes can be returned before that date. Thank you.

Anyone want a Baby Grand Piano?

This message came in through the Circuit website contact page. "*In memory of my late husband, I am looking to donate his Yamaha baby grand piano to a church or family who will appreciate and care for it. I would be glad to provide more details if this might be of interest.*" If interested I have the contact email. Dave

DISTRICT NEWS

Conference Representatives Recruitment!

District have asked us to share the attached role of Conference Rep and the amended 2027 application form in the hope they get more applicants and interest (*role & form attached to email copies only*).

OTHER NEWS

MWiB Residential Conference 2027

Attached (*to email copies only*) is a poster for the MWiB conference 2027 with information about cost and when booking opens. The conference will also be available on zoom for a small cost for those unable to join in person.

A prayer that we may care for others

Holy One – far beyond our imaginings, yet coming to meet us through Jesus – in the joy and messiness, the hopefulness and the hardships of our lives. May our places of worship be safe and authentic spaces for sharing who we are and how we are as we journey alongside one another and with you. May we listen attentively & compassionately as we seek one another's well-being and flourishing, knowing that all are cherished by you. Amen.

Ruth Flatman, EDI outreach and support worker, Ceredigion Circuit

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 November 5th 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>



The clocks go back at 2 a.m. THIS SUNDAY (25th)!