



TEWKESBURY & APPERLEY METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

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A prayer for the ceasefire between Israel and Hamas

God of Love, We are thankful for the work that has been done to secure a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas and pray that it may be implemented and lead to a lasting peace in the region.

With grateful hearts we celebrate the promised release of all those held against their will and pray for their recovery and recuperation as they are reunited with family and friends.

We pray that we never see such death and destruction in this region again.

May justice reign, justice that establishes peace, promotes hope, frees people from fear, encourages neighbours to love another and brings an end to the seemingly endless cycle of injustice, violence, and death in the region.

This we ask in the power of your spirit.

Amen

Source: The Methodist Resource Hub

We send love and blessings to those amongst our church family and beyond who are suffering illness or bereavement at this time. Our prayers are with you.

Sunday 26th January

Tewkesbury

10.30am Mr. Russell Buley

Apperley

11.00am - Mrs. Alison Jackson

Sunday 2nd February

9.15am – Wild Green Breakfast Club

10.30am – Revd. Diane Clutterbuck

Holy Communion

Sunday 9th February

Tewkesbury

10.30am – Mr Islay Roberts

Apperley

11.00am – Mr. Philip Hyne

THIS WEEK AT TEWKESBURY

Thursday 30th January

11.00am - Prayers for the church and community. Please write any special requests for prayer in the book in the Vestibule but please have the recipient's permission to do so.

Friday 31st January

2.30pm – Choir practice

Saturday 1st February

Coffee Morning

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 4th February

2.30pm – Wives and Friends

Wednesday 5th February

10.30am – Mid-week communion

7.30pm – Men Allowed

Thursday 6th February

10.00am – Arts & Craft Group

Tuesday 11th February

7.30pm - Church Council

Sunday 16th February

9.15am – Praise & Worship

10.30am – Leprosy Mission Sunday Service

Tuesday 18th February

Property & Finance

Wednesday 19th February

10.30am – Mid-Week Communion

CARDS

If anyone knows of someone who is currently poorly or in hospital, please speak to Pat Taylor who will send a card on behalf of the Church Family.

CHRISTMAS MUSICAL QUIZ

Congratulations to Betty Rogers, the winner of the quiz.

The answers can be found on the notice board in the Café area of church.

WELCOME SPACE UPDATE

The updated plans for the Welcome Space Project, have been displayed on the notice board in the Café area.

BUILDING

We are currently awaiting Planning permission and Building Regulations Consent before the Project can commence.

CHAIRS

As you are aware the chairs in church are to be replaced by new ones which will be lighter, easily stacked and moved on trolleys. A sample of the new chair has been in the Church for several weeks now and an order for 80 of the new chairs will be placed in the coming week. The existing chairs have now been sold and will stay in the Church until the new ones are delivered.

If you feel you would like to donate money or sponsor a chair and maybe have a plaque put on it perhaps in memory of someone, please contact Adrian Shelley who would be pleased to talk to you about it.

Your Welcome Space Team.

READERS - a big thank you to all those who have read lessons during 2024 - it is really appreciated. I will assume you are happy to continue into 2025 unless you tell me otherwise. If there are any others in our congregation who would like to volunteer, don't be shy! Let me know if you'd like to be added to the list. Jean Davies

GIFT AID AND FUNDS - a reminder that if you pay tax your giving to the church is eligible for 25% tax relief e.g., your donation of £10 is worth £12.50 to the church.

Please see me if you have not yet completed a Gift Aid form.

Also if you have previously completed a form but are no longer a tax payer I need to know to amend my records.

A big thank- you to all those who continue to give what they are able in support of our church and its work.

Sadly our overall giving has reduced significantly over the past few years and without additional income from other sources (Lettings, coffee sales and general fundraising etc) we are not able to continue to maintain our church building - hence the drive by the Welcome Space team to increase our income.

Any further suggestions as to how to raise funds are always welcome.

Jean Davies

RECYCLE UNWANTED CARDS

Old cards can be recycled and taken to The Cobalt Unit in Cheltenham.

Wendy has placed a box in church for them.

GREEN TIP – Please pass your green tips on to any of the stewards for inclusion in our notices. Reuse, Recycle and Save. Our commitment to recycling is part of our Eco Church Silver Award.

LARGE PRINT – if you are unable to read the words on the screen and the large print hymn books are not suitable for you, please see one of the stewards so we can ensure large print copies are available.

JUST A THOUGHT....

Anyone can fill a room full of glittering people. Announce a party, send out invitations, bring food, wine, music, and the promise of fun, they will come.

But it is the after-party people you must treasure in this life.

The ones who stay to help clear away.



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NOTICES FOR FEBRUARY will be prepared by Jean Davies – Email jed0606@yahoo.com. The deadline is 4.30pm on Thursdays.