



Cole Street Methodist Church

Weekly Notices

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Sunday 24th November 2019

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

'Women against Violence Sunday'

Welcome

Welcome to Cole Street Methodist Church. We are glad you are able to come to worship here today. If this is your first time at Cole Street, or even at Church, please make sure you speak to a church steward or member if we haven't introduced ourselves first.



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'A warm welcome awaits you at our Church.'

Preachers & Stewards

	Morning Service	Evening Service
Preachers Today	Revd Dr G. Pearce	Revd B. Evans-Routley (C)
Stewards Today	Jan Shepherd	Jan Shepherd & Gill Waters
Preachers Next Week	LA (Rachel Dutton)	United Service
Stewards Next Week	Rachel Dutton	at Central

Weekly Church Calendar

Monday 25th November | 2:30pm | Ladies Class
 Wednesday 27th November | 1:00pm | Toddler Group
 Wednesday 27th November | 6:15pm | Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association
 Thursday 28th November | 1:00pm | Wives Group – Lunch at the Lodge
 Friday 29th November | 10:00am | Christmas Fair Prep
 Saturday 30th November | 12noon | CHRISTMAS FAIR
 Sunday 1st December | 9:45am | Prayer Breakfast
 Sunday 1st December | 10:30am | Gift Service (CHADD) Family Worship & Sunday School
 Sunday 1st December | 6:00pm | United Evening Worship at Central



Cleaning Group

Thanks to all of the cleaning groups and volunteers who keep the church tidy, safe and ready for use. This week, we ask for volunteers after the Christmas Fair on Saturday please.

Flowers

Flowers this week are by Emma Bailey.

Flowers next week are by Molly Roper in memory of Hazel Parkes.

Birthdays, Celebrations & Congratulations

Pete Smith	43	today, Sunday 24 th November
Alice Parker	74	on Thursday 28 th November
Poppy Wareham	7	on Thursday 28 th November

Please remember in your prayers...

Dot Grainger, baby Ellie-Piper, Lillian Pallett, Richard Taylor, Lewis & Marion Cooper, Elaine Poolton, Bernard Hickman, Mark Kelly, Charlie Cowley, Hazel Owen, Don Ralph, Ray & Maggie Dix, Jean Lavender, Mark Wood & Roslyn Grainger.

Forthcoming Special Services, Events & Meetings

CHRISTMAS FAIR	Saturday 30 th November	12noon	Cole Street
SUPPORT SERVICE (CHADD)	Sunday 1 st December	10:30am	Cole Street
CHURCHES TOGETHER CAROLS	Saturday 14 th November	7:00pm	Netherton Arts Centre
SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY	Sunday 15 th December	12noon	Cole Street
CAROLS IN THE COOL	Sunday 15 th December	from 5:30pm	Cole Street
CAROL SERVICE	Sunday 22 nd December	4:00pm	Cole Street
CHRISTINGLE	Christmas Eve	4:00pm	Cole Street
CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE	Christmas Day	10:30am	Cole Street

General Notices

- CHILDREN IN NEED** – Many thanks to everyone who supported our fundraising last week. We have been able to send off £60.67 towards this year's appeal.
- CHRISTMAS FAIR** - Kick-off the festive season with a visit to us at Cole Street on the first weekend of Advent at our annual Christmas Fair. Bargains galore ranging from decorations and festive treats to books, bric-a-brac and groceries. Come along and visit Santa in his Grotto and get a small gift to place under your tree. Festive snacks and refreshments will also be available as well as a friendly chat and a chance to see what is going on at Cole Street this Christmas. Free entry with no obligations. Stalls will include: cakes, tombola, raffle, Christmas stall, chocolate stall, craft stall, Santa's Grotto, Bric-a-brac and many more. All funds raised will go towards Church funds. We hope you can join us this coming Saturday!
- CHRISTMAS FAIR DONATIONS** – In preparation for our forthcoming Christmas Fair, we are seeking the following items: Homemade cakes or boxed cakes, prizes or money in lieu, Mugs, small gifts, toiletries, chocolate items, decorations (anything to do with Christmas), tinned goods, food in packets, bottles, any craft items. See the list on the Hymn Book case for more details. All donations will be gratefully received. Boxes are located in the choir vestry to place your donations in. Many thanks.
- CHRISTMAS FAIR VOLUNTEERS** – Can you help with the setup or running of our event this year? If you are able to devote some of your time to our annual fundraiser, please take a look at the sheet on the Hymn Book case and add your name to the list. Setup will be on Friday 29th November from 10:00am.
- GIFT SERVICE** – We are hosting our annual Gift Service on Sunday 1st December where any donated items will be given to CHADD (Church Housing Association in Dudley & District). It will be used for their work with Young People and for the Women's Refuges. A representative from CHADD and a service user will be in attendance at the service at 10:30am and will talk about the work of CHADD with first hand experiences. Items which will be gratefully received include: Gifts of toiletries for young men and women, women's toiletries for the Women's Refuge as when they arrive they usually have nothing and Christmas treats (eg. Chocolates, biscuits, cakes etc.) which will be shared out at the setting.
- FOIL & CLING FILM** – Foil and Cling Film have been delivered and are now available for collection. Please speak to Abie or Rachel prior to collecting your order. We would like to thank J. Cooke Engineering for providing the van to collect the order at no charge.
- CHURCHES TOGETHER IN NETHERTON** – On Saturday 14th December, there is a Churches Together event being held at Netherton Arts Centre which will include carol singing, poetry, pieces by local school children and other items. The programme will start at 7pm but there is also an opportunity for anyone interested to sing carols beforehand outside the entrance as a witness and invite any passers by to come in and join with us. This will start at 6.15pm and last around 15 minutes.
- TERRACYCLE** – Thanks to all those who have supported 'Terracycle' so far. The first box has been sent off raising money for Mary Stevens Hospice. This is continuing so continue to donate crisp and bread packets and speak to Rachel, Abie or Liam for more info. There is also a poster on the noticeboard about this.

Cards of Appreciation...

We have received two cards which read as follows:

'Dear Holiday at Home friends. The Holiday at Home Team would like to say a 'big thank you' to the people of Cole Street who hosted Holiday at Home in October. Everyone received such a warm welcome and we are pleased to say that we were able to provide an enjoyable day for both members of the Circuit and those in our wider community. Kind Regards, The Holiday at Home Team'.

'To all at Cole Street Church. I would like to thank you all for the great welcome me and my mother had when we visited on Friday, October 18th with my husband George who did a talk on the Black Country Museum. Thank you for letting us join in with your activities, the quiz, singing, potting the plants, which I especially liked. To the ladies & gents who kept providing us with many cups of tea, biscuits and the lovely cakes, the lovely fish & chips, we met as strangers and I hope we left as friends. George also enjoyed himself chatting to everyone. God Bless you all – keep up the good work.' (Sandra & George Homer & Marion Griffin).

