



Cole Street Methodist Church

Weekly Notices

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Sunday 15th March 2020
'Third Sunday in Lent'

'A warm welcome awaits you at our Church.'

Preachers & Stewards

Morning Service

Evening Service

Preachers Today

Revd B. Evans-Routley

Revd B. Anderson (US)

Stewards Today

Rachel Dutton & Hazel Kiteley

Jan Sheppard & Gill Waters

Preachers Next Week

Mr T. Dainty-Share

NO SERVICE

Stewards Next Week

Wendy Goodwin

NO SERVICE

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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This week at Cole Street...

Monday 16th March | 5:30pm | Slimming World
Tuesday 17th March | 9:30am | Slimming World
Wednesday 18th March | 5:00pm | JJ Dance
Wednesday 18th March | 6:15pm | Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association
Wednesday 18th March | 7:00pm | DETRA
Thursday 19th March | 11:00am | Zumba
Thursday 19th March | 6:00pm | RC / Helicopter Flying Club
Thursday 19th March | 8:00pm | Wives' Group – Easter Cards | led by J
Saturday 21st March | 10:00am | Interim Working Party
Sunday 22nd March | 9:45am | Prayer Breakfast
Sunday 22nd March | 10:30am | Mothering Sunday Family Worship



Due to the current COVID-19 outbreak, the Ladies Class, Toddler Group and Evening Worship Services have been suspended until further notice.

Cleaning Group

Thanks to all of the cleaning groups and volunteers who keep the church tidy, safe and ready for use. Cleaning Group 2 take their turn this week.

Flowers

Flowers this week are by Ann Golding.

Flowers next week are by Dot & Stephen Grainger in memory of Bill Grainger.

Birthdays, Celebrations & Congratulations

Liz Ralph 69 on Thursday 19th March

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, Jean Lavender, Mark Wood, Roslyn Grainger, Jordan Priest, Fr. Michael Brain, Alice Parker, and Joan & Tony Oliver.

Forthcoming Special Services, Events & Meetings

GHANA MISSION **POSTPONED**	Tuesday 17 th March	7:00pm	Cole Street
QUIZ NIGHT **POSTPONED**	Friday 20 th March	7:00pm	Cole Street
MOTHERING SUNDAY CAFÉ CHURCH	Sunday 22 nd March	10:30am	Cole Street
WORKING PARTY	Saturday 28 th March	10:00am	Cole Street
HAND WASHING & COMMUNION	Thursday 9 th April	7:00pm	Cole Street
GOOD FRIDAY ACTIVITIES	Friday 10 th April	10:00am	Cole Street
GOOD FRIDAY FAMILY SERVICE	Friday 10 th April	12noon	Cole Street



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General Notices

1. **COVID-19 UPDATE** – Please note that, due to the current outbreak of COVID-19 being experienced throughout the country and wider world, there have been adjustments and events postponed as we take a proactive approach to ensuring the health, safety and well-being of everyone who attends or uses Cole Street following guidance from The Methodist Church of Great Britain:
 - Refreshments will be temporarily suspended after services as The Methodist Church of Great Britain highlight this as a time of social gathering where communicable diseases could be easily spread.
 - Any ‘welcomers’ are to avoid shaking hands as well as those leading worship are asked to omit or adjust usual practices (ie. the shaking of hands during the peace etc.)
 - Churches have been asked to review what events/social gatherings could be temporarily suspended, postponed or cancelled. This will involve a dynamic, ongoing assessment as new guidance is released by the Government. (Please see items 2 & 3).
 - During Communion, we are asked that the Communion Steward thoroughly washes their hands using soap or hand wash prior to preparing the items, that the server(s) ensure they have washed or ‘anti-bac’ed’ their hands prior to the giving of bread and wine and that individual members of the congregation pick their own glass from the tray rather than the steward.
 - Cleaning groups are asked to focus attention on the cleaning of door handles and surfaces which people may touch.
 - If you feel unwell, showing signs or symptoms of flu or otherwise, you are asked to remain at home and not attend church. The Methodist Church of Great Britain have a live stream service which can be viewed online from Wesley’s Chapel with a special service sheet which can be downloaded and followed at home.
 - If you are tested positive for Coronavirus, or have come into contact with someone who has been tested positive, and have been to Cole Street within 14 days of this, it is of utmost importance that you ensure the Managing Trustees at Cole Street know of this.

Many thanks to everyone during this time for your cooperation and understanding as we work together to minimise the spread and therefore the impact of COVID-19. Please continue to pray for all who this has so far affected, for those who are working tirelessly to control and eradicate this disease, and for those in power to move swiftly and appropriately to limit its impact, especially here in Great Britain.
2. **HYGIENE** – Please remember to follow a good hygiene regime during this time of global disease spread of COVID-19. Please use the hand wash provided and wash your hands for at least 20 seconds (sing Happy Birthday to yourself twice while you wash your hands, or say the Lord’s Prayer – why not!). Please also use the blue disposable paper towels provided and avoid using reusable towels which could contribute to the spread. Many thanks.
3. **GHANA EVENING WITH LIZ DEAN** – Please note that, due to the current outbreak of COVID-19 being experienced throughout the country and wider world, the decision has been made, with advice from The Methodist Church of Great Britain, to postpone the advertised Ghana Evening with Liz Dean. Many thanks for your understanding.
4. **QUIZ NIGHT** – Please note that, due to the current outbreak of COVID-19 being experienced throughout the country and wider world, the decision has been made, with advice from The Methodist Church of Great Britain, to postpone the annual Quiz Night Fundraiser. This event will be run later in the year. Many thanks for your understanding.
5. **HOLY WEEK** – The Dudley & Netherton Circuit are running seven days’ of services during Holy Week commencing on Palm Sunday (5th April) and running through every evening until Good Friday (10th April) with a Quiet Day from 10am until 3pm on Holy Saturday (11th April). A timetable of services can be found on the noticeboard and is available to view on our website under Circuit Events.
6. **LENT STUDIES | JOURNEY TO THE CROSS** – Revd Bill Anderson is running a Lent programme again this year on Tuesdays from 10:30am until 11:30am at Central Methodist in Dudley. The studies continue weekly in March and run through until 7th April inclusive. More information is available on the poster on the noticeboard, by contacting Bill on 07940 971594 or from our website.
7. **CALLING ALL KNITTERS** – Are you able to knit? Would you be able to spare a few hours in raising funds to go towards our 200 years celebrations? As part of our fundraising scheme for our 200 year anniversary, Jan Harvey is pulling together a team of knitters who together will create a knitted masterpiece with sponsors or donations given in aid of this. More information will be released soon but if you are interested, please let Jan Harvey or Rachel Dutton know.