

# TEWKESBURY & APPERLEY METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

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Be to us at all times, O Lord, our joy, our bliss and our comfort. Be light in our darkness, strength in our temptations and refreshment in the desert. Penitent may we know your peace, faithful may we behold you in glory. Amen. Margery Kempe (c. 1373-1433)

We send love and blessings to those amongst our church family and beyond who are suffering illness, loss or loneliness at this time.

Our prayers are with you.

Love and warm greetings to all our friends who are unable to get to church – you are still very much part of our church family.

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November
Tewkesbury
10.30am – Deacon Sue Peat
Apperley
11.00am – Revd Jayne Webb

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November Tewkesbury First Sunday in Advent - Light 10.30am – Mrs Gail Whiting

#### THIS WEEK AT TEWKESBURY

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November

10.00am - Arts & Crafts Group

**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 28<sup>th</sup> November 2.30pm – Choir practice

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 10.00am – Book Club 10.30am – Coffee Morning

#### **TEWKESBURY DIARY DATES**

#### **ADVENT SERVICES**

We will be having themed services for Advent this year, thanks to our wonderful lay preachers as well as Carrie and Jayne.

## The themes will be Light - Peace - Life - Hope

Thank you to Robert and the team for planning these for us.

Each week the congregation will be asked to contribute to the service in some way so for the first service on 30th November we would like you to bring a jam jar and we will provide you with a candle (battery operated). If you don't have an empty jar, we will have some available at church.

We do hope you will be able to attend these special services as we wait and prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth.

### **SUNDAY 30th November**

This is the First Sunday of Advent the theme is 'Light' are able please bring an empty jam is

If you are able please bring an empty jam jar to church on 30th November.

An LED candle will be placed in the jar.
We will have a few spare jars today if you need one or don't want to carry one to church.
Thank you.

# DINNER LADIES FESTIVE LUNCH 12.30pm - Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December

I have booked a table at Browns Restaurant at Mythe Garden Centre for 12.30pm on Thursday 4th December.

Places are limited so please can you sign the notice in the vestibule if you would like to go.

I will need your pre-order together with a £5 deposit please.

Copies of the menu are available in the vestibule. Jean Davies

CHRISTMAS FAIR Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December

— Please start to collect suitable items for our fair – new unwanted gifts to re-gift, tombola items, items for a Christmas hamper, books, jigsaws, craft items.

PLEASE – no bric-a-brac.

# FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

The Christmas Fair is being set up from 2.00pm on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December in the church.

Is anybody able to come along to help please?

Please speak to one of the Stewards or Adrian Shelley

We are looking for folk who would be willing to make a pudding for the lunches. If you are able to do so please let a steward know.

We would appreciate help manning stalls at the fair on 6th December. We will be open from 10.00am to 2.00pm so if you can spare a couple of hours please add your name to the list in the vestibule. Many thanks

#### JUBILATE CHOIR

**7.30pm - Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December** will perform a Christmas themed concert More details to follow

### **COFFEE ROTAS – Saturday and Sunday**

If you can cover a Saturday for our regular coffee morning, please sign the Rota in the vestibule. Likewise, if you can assist with serving coffee after our Sunday service, please sign the appropriate Rota.

There are only a few regulars doing this now, so your support would be appreciated

**PASTORAL** – please let me know of any of our church family who are unwell or are in need of some support. Our outreach worker, Jan, will be working in maintaining contact with all our church family. Jean Davies

**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.

# Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 5.00pm

Tewkesbury\_Christmas Lights are to be switched on by the fabulous cast of the Roses Theatre Pantomime!





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A reminder that the food collection box is in the front of the church for this organisation that does so much for people in need

# "The foodbank was there when we really needed it, it was an absolute lifeline."

We don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That's why we provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to us in crisis. We are part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK.

# Please give as much as you are able Thankyou

Source Foodbank website https://tewkesbury.foodbank.org.uk

## **GREEN MATTERS | TMC ECO Group**



### Next meeting Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am GREEN TIPS

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle... we have all heard these words and are now recycling as much as we can, I hope. It is easy nowadays, but it does not really make that big a difference to the whole wide world. We need to move up one stage to reuse. It is not that difficult; all these plastic bottles you have with hygiene and household products, tell them to Miss Muffets and refill them. You will make a real difference to the production of this lethal plastic, i.e. single use plastic, polluting our seas and ground.

Do not recycle them, reuse them instead, the difference is huge. Thank you.

#### **GREEN LIFE THOUGHTS**

Get connected – Seek out like-minded people for mutual support and encouragement. Join and support community groups. Take part in one of Green Christian's many online meetings.

# **NOTICES FOR NOVEMBER** will be prepared by Adrian Shelley.

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