



## TEWKESBURY & APPERLEY METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

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Tewkesbury Methodist Church: Registered Charity no. 11179000

### A prayer that we live in God's light

Let us love the constancy of your light, O Lord, and rejoice in it. Let us walk in brightness of your light, O Lord, and be blessed by it. Let us live in the glory of your light, O Lord, and be judged for it. Amen.  
Margaret Fox (1614-1702)

**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 12<sup>th</sup> April

Tewkesbury 10.30am – Revd. Jayne Webb

Apperley 11.00am – Revd. Carrie Seaton

Holy Communion

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April

10.30am – Mr. Keith Linzner

### THIS WEEK IN TEWKESBURY

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April

No midweek communion

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April - Craft Group

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April

2.30pm - Choir practice

6.30pm - Methodist Players

### Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April

10.30am – Coffee morning

10.30am -Open meeting about Summer Fete

### MID-WEEK COMMUNION

***Due to the continued building work, we will not be able to hold mid-week Holy Communion on 15<sup>th</sup> April. The next one should be 6<sup>th</sup> May but we will assess nearer the time if we can proceed.***

### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

1.00pm Viv Hallet's Thanksgiving at Sycamore Chapel, Northway.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April – Book Club

**Our Prayer group** might not be meeting in person at present but will still be praying for those both in the church family and the community about whom they have been notified. Please write any special requests for prayer in the book in the vestibule, but please have the recipient's permission to do so.

### WELCOME SPACE

The contractors will be making a start in the church from Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2026 for approx. six weeks

### IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ

Although some activities will be booked into the Hall after Easter the builders will be working in the carpark and Guild room as well as starting in the Church itself.

Please avoid entering from Swilgate road in the daytime. Access will be from the front down the side passage. This arrangement may have to continue for two weeks or so.

**SATURDAY COFFEE MORNINGS** - as work begins in the church, we are reassured that we will still be able to hold our Sunday worship in the building. **However, coffee mornings are more difficult as we shall be without a kitchen for a few weeks. We want to continue the coffee mornings but need to relocate to the hall for a few Saturdays from 18<sup>th</sup> April.**

We will put a notice outside the front of the church, but if you see the front doors closed, please use the side entrance to the link and hall.

We thank you all for your understanding.

Your Welcome Space Team

If you have any queries please speak to  
Peter or Adrian



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

We would appreciate your help in keeping the church open on a Saturday morning by serving coffee. Also, if you can assist with serving coffee after our Sunday service, please sign the appropriate rota. Your support would be appreciated.

**SUMMER FETE** - We shall be doing some planning for our fete in July next Saturday 18th April at 10.30am. If you are interested in helping or have any suggestions please do join us.

We shall be thinking about variety of stalls etc and discussing catering arrangements (for which we are very grateful to Di and Robin who will be in charge of the kitchen).

**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

**EASTER OFFERING** - you will find an Easter Offering envelope on your seat this morning. This is an annual collection towards the work of the Methodist Church's Global Relationship. It is part of our celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus and the new life offered to us. Envelopes will remain in church for a few weeks, and we will hold the Easter Offering Service on Sunday 31st May, which will be arranged by our stewards. Please give as generously as you are able as this is the only occasion we financially support the work and mission of the Methodist Church overseas.

**REGULAR GIVING** - envelopes for 2026/27 have now been distributed for both gift-aided and non-gift aided gifts to the church. If you would like envelopes for regular giving or are a taxpayer and not currently using the envelope scheme or donating via standing order, then please see me - Jean Davies.

## **GREEN GROUP ISSUES**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April - Revd. John Kime

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May

### **Green ways of life...**

**R**epair – Look after your stuff and keep hold of the old skills of sewing and repairing. Use the Repair Cafe on the third Saturday of each month and donate old furniture to charities which teach people refurbishing skills. Invest in a sewing kit and a good tube of super glue.

**T**ravel light – Walk, cycle, take the bus, tram or train, use local shops, noticing the beauty of nature. Don't fly; a transatlantic passenger blows your annual fair share of carbon in one go. If you must fly, offset it. Most European travel is possible by train.

**R**ent, Borrow and Share – Ownership can be overrated. Tools in particular are often bought and used only once or twice a year. Borrowing and sharing can be a great way of bonding with neighbours, and there are organisations which will rent clothes, tools, and rarely used times such as camping equipment. Before buying anything you won't use every day, ask your friends and neighbours, with a promise to lend them something in return. Book lovers, remember your local library.

**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.

### **ON THIS DAY**

As the Second World war drew to a close, Franklin D, Roosevelt, 32<sup>nd</sup> U.S. President (1933-1945) his health deteriorated, and on April 12, 1945, while at Warm Springs, Georgia, he died of a cerebral haemorrhage.

**NOTICES FOR APRIL** will be prepared by Adrian Shelley – email [adandgillshelley@gmail.com](mailto:adandgillshelley@gmail.com) Telephone number 01684 297411. The deadline is 4.30pm on Thursday.