



TEWKESBURY & APPERLEY METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

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God of the dawning, you are there when we awaken and welcome in the day. God of the morning, you are present on our journey, our helper on our way. God of the noontime, you are with us in our meeting; in friendship we are blessed. God of the evening, you are in our relaxation, our lying down to rest. Amen

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 13th September –

Tewkesbury

10.30am – Alison Jackson

Apperley

11.00am – Paul Turner

Sunday 20th September –

Tewkesbury

9.15am – Praise and Worship

10.30am – Harvest Service – Deacon Sue Peat

12.30pm – Harvest lunch and fellowship

THIS WEEK AT TEWKESBURY

Thursday 17th – 10.00am – Craft group

Friday 18th – 2.30pm Choir practice (check if running)

Friday 18th – 6.30pm – Methodist Players' rehearsal

Saturday 19th – 10.00am Book Club

We have a supportive and caring prayer group at our church who continue to pray 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 church, but please have the recipient's permission to do so

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION – unfortunately due to Jayne's ongoing sick leave we are unable to hold this at present.

BAPTIST CHURCH INVITATION – our local Baptist Church is welcoming a new church leader on Saturday 26th September at 2.30pm – Paul Bennett and his wife Nia. The service will be followed by refreshments and all are warmly invited to attend.

CHURCH AWAY-DAY 2027 – I am pleased to say that this has been booked for Wednesday 21st July 2027. Do put the date in your diary – I will ask for names of those interested later in the year - no commitment just a rough idea of numbers. Jean Davies

CAMERATA CONCERT – Saturday 26th September at 7pm. Please join us and let friends and family know. The programme is Mayer's Overture No 2 in D Major, Haydn's Trumpet Concerto in E Flat Major and Beethoven No 8 in F Major op.93. These concerts are brilliant! – and admission is by donation – pay what you are able. Refreshments served in the interval.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sunday 20th September

Followed by -

Harvest Lunch - 12.30pm - tickets are £12.00 each for a two course meal, and are available from Church Stewards this Sunday.

HARVEST SERVICE – We will be decorating the church next Saturday at 9.30am if you would like to help out. Donations of just a few items of fresh colourful produce – apples, carrots, peppers etc – together with some suitable greenery and flowers – would be appreciated.

1) We shall be supporting the local **Food Bank** again this year so we would be pleased to receive non-perishable items, particularly jam, rice pudding, tinned vegetables, tinned meat for cooking (eg meatballs) and tinned meat for sandwiches (eg corned beef).

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2) We are also donating to the **Harvest Appeal for "Ripple Effect"**. There will be a separate collection plate available at the service to make your donation to this charity. Please support as you are able.

CROSSPOINT MAGAZINE – the autumn edition is available today. Jean Davies

Pat Taylor would like to remind the church family that she will send cards of greeting and /or support to those who are unwell, unable to attend church or suffering loss. Please keep her updated as to who might like to receive a card sending love and support.

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.

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, is working in maintaining contact with all our church family. Jean Davies

COFFEE ROTAS – Saturday and Sunday

If you are able to help serve coffee please sign the rota in the vestibule. Because of health and hygiene regulations we should not be using tea towels to wipe dishes – the dishwasher is very easy to use and if you need to be shown how to use it please see one of the stewards. (Clear instructions are near the machine).

ECO NEWS -Did you know?

Textile production contributes more to climate change than international aviation and shipping combined. The fashion industry is the second largest consumer industry of water requiring about 700 gallons to produce one cotton shirt and 2000 gallons to produce a pair of jeans.

It's not too late to join in "second hand September". By choosing to buy second hand, you're saving money as well as reducing the demand on new clothing being produced. We have plenty of charity shops locally with a wide selection of perfectly good, wearable clothing.

You can reduce your carbon footprint through clothes swaps, repairs and shopping differently.

NOTICES FOR SEPTEMBER will be

prepared by Jean Davies –

jed0606@yahoo.com or 01684 772178. The deadline is 4.30pm on Thursday.

A prayer to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the twin towers disaster on 11th September 2001.

Twenty-five years ago, darkness seemed to swallow the light, and dust and sorrow filled the skies. Yet, out of the devastating smoke and shattered stone, GOD called us to stand... ..to bear our heartbreak... and taught us that love is fiercer than hate, and that hope cannot be buried beneath the ruin.

On this twenty fifth anniversary of September eleventh, we gather our hearts in humble remembrance.

We honour the precious lives lost in New York City, at the Pentagon, and in the quiet fields of Shanksville. We remember the brave heroes who ran into danger, the families whose lives were forever altered, and the sacred grief that lingers in our hearts.

God of all time...You have lifted us up. You gave us beauty for ashes, strength for despair, and unity where division sought to break us. You showed us the resilient spirit of humanity, the hands that reached out to heal, the voices that prayed together, and the courage that rebuilt what was lost.

Today... as we look upon the sacred grounds where tragedy struck... we witness the beauty of a nation that has risen from the ashes. We pray for continued peace across our world and healing for every lingering wound.

Grant us grace to remember with purpose, to choose love over fear, kindness over bitterness, and unity over discord. Keep our hearts forever watchful, our spirits steadfast, and our faith unshakable.

May the memory of those who were lost serve as an everlasting flame, guiding us toward a brighter, more peaceful tomorrow.

Out of the dust, You raised us; in Your light, we endure.

In Your holy and eternal name. Amen

