



TEWKESBURY & APPERLEY METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

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Every week has its ups and downs, its surprises, and its challenges, and it's easy to find ourselves 'blown off course' and perhaps overwhelmed by the unexpectedness of what we have to face. So, let us approach this new week with confidence and even excitement, looking for those opportunities to serve you, and, in it all, also discovering a new sense of peace in knowing that whatever happens we are held safe and secure in you. Amen
Source: Liz Stuart Manchester Methodists

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 1st February –

9.15am - Wild Green Breakfast Club

10.30am – Service with Gail Whiting (no holy communion)

Sunday 8th February

Tewkesbury

10.30am – Revd. John Kime

Apperley

11.00am – Revd. Jayne Webb. Holy Communion and Covenant Service

THIS WEEK AT TEWKESBURY

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.

DIARY DATES AT TEWKESBURY

Tuesday 3rd February – 2.30pm Wives and Friends - Pancakes

Wednesday 4th February –

10.30am – Mid week holy communion with Revd Carrie Seaton

Thursday 5th February –

10.00am – Craft group recommences in the church

Men Allowed Meal (tbc)

Saturday 7th February –

10.30am – Bible Club

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2.30pm - AFTERNOON CONCERT

Da Capo Quartet

See overleaf



Monday 9th February – Building work will now begin on 9th February in the guild room and hall. Areas have been cleared in readiness for the builders arriving. Please note the church parking spaces will **not** be available during the building works.

Saturday 14th February

10.30am Green - ECO group

Saturday 28th February – Book Club

CROSSPOINT – I would like all material for the next edition of Crosspoint by 28th February please. You can give me paper copies or email to me at jed0606@yahoo.com.

Jean Davies

MID WEEK COMMUNION SERVICE

There will be no communion service on
Wednesday 18th February
Wednesday 4th March
Wednesday 18th March

PLEASE READ AND SIGN UP IF YOU ARE INTERESTED.

SECTION CHURCH AWAY-DAY AT HOLLAND HOUSE - as previously notified we are holding an "Away Day" at Holland House on Wednesday 22nd July between 10.30am and 4.30pm. Jayne will put together a simple programme for this, but you can opt-out or opt-in as you wish, and just use the opportunity to use the house and grounds for a time of quiet reflection.

I now need to know of your interest please, so I can estimate the number attending. There is a £10 non-refundable deposit to be paid but I am not requesting this at present. Please add your name to the list in the vestibule if you are interested. Thank you.
(lifts can be arranged).

Jean Davies



An Afternoon at the Opera

Saturday 7th February, 2:30pm



Da Capo Quartet

**Emily Campbell, Katherine Cox,
Julian Martin, Alan Craig**

Accompanied by Tom Carr

**Tewkesbury Methodist
Church**

**Admission by donation
Doors open at 2pm
for tea and coffee
Light refreshments available**

DA CAPO QUARTET - we are privileged that this professional quartet has chosen our church for their first concert in the town. This is a classical choir with a piano accompanist. The concert is on Saturday 7th February at 2.30pm and will be approximately 90 minutes with an interval when refreshments will be served. The performance is free but the church funds the accompanist and then all voluntary donations will go to the church. We would be grateful for your support – as this is something we would like to repeat regularly if the quartet is happy with their audience – so the more the merrier. Please share with friends and family.

ECO GROUP

This Lent, take part in Climate Steward's Carbon Fast. Lent is a time when Christians traditionally fast and focus on God. The Carbon Fast will help you consider ways to live more simply, give you new ideas to cut your carbon footprint and invite you to focus on God and consider the whole of his creation. Beginning on 5 March, you'll receive a weekly email containing key facts, suggestions for how

you could reduce your carbon footprint and a prayer to lead you through this Lenten season. Each week features a different theme designed to help us take climate action in manageable ways that bear witness to a God who has promised to restore all of his creation. Find out more and sign up at climatestewards.org/resources/carbon-fast/

CHURCH GIVING – Many thanks to all for your continued financial support of our church. I am preparing the brown envelopes for regular giving for the next financial year, for those that are able to use Gift Aid for their donations. Please let me know if your circumstances have changed e.g. if you are no longer a tax payer but give via the brown envelopes or by direct debit. We will need to amend our records. Likewise if you are a taxpayer and do not already use the brown envelopes or donate via direct debit, you can complete a form to enable the church to claim an additional 25% on top of your giving, at no cost to yourself. Please see me for further information. Jean Davies

LEPROSY MISSION

Following on from World Leprosy Day last Sunday, the latest 'New Day' magazine has now arrived. They give more information about what the Leprosy Mission is doing to heal and transform lives. Please do take one, they are on the Leprosy table. Gill Shelley

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.

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.

NOTICES FOR FEBRUARY will be prepared by Adrian Shelley – adandgillshelley@gmail.com 01684 297411. The deadline is 4.30pm on Thursday.