



## TEWKESBURY & APPERLEY METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

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*Bless us, Lord, in this time together. Be in our worship, the prayers that are on our hearts and the burdens we bear. Be in our conversations, the sharing of joys and sorrows, and the service of our lives. In this time together, bless us Lord, we pray. 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 7<sup>th</sup> September

#### Tewkesbury

**9.15am** – Wild Green Breakfast Club

**10.30am** – Service with Holy Communion –  
Revd Diane Clutterbuck

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September

#### Tewkesbury

**10.30am** – Local arrangement (steward led)

#### Apperley

**11.00am** – Revd Carrie Seaton

### THIS WEEK AT TEWKESBURY

#### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September

**11.30am** – Thanksgiving service for Frances May (see notice)

#### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> September

**2.30pm** – Welcome Space meeting

#### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September

**11am** – 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 12<sup>th</sup> September

**2.30pm** – Choir practice

**2.30pm – 4pm** – Advent meeting

### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September

**10.30am** – Coffee morning

**9am to 4pm** – Church open for Ride and Stride

### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September

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### Harvest Lunch

**Sunday 21 September 2025 at**  
**12.30pm**

Tickets are £10 each to include a 2 course lunch and are on sale today from the Steward Team.

**HARVEST SERVICE** – We shall be supporting the local Food Bank again this year so we would be pleased to receive non-perishable items either at the service or before that date. We will be decorating the church at 9.30am on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September 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.

### 5 SWILGATE ROAD (rear of church)

Our next door neighbour who lives at 5 Swilgate Road, will be erecting scaffolding on the front and side of his property, on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025 for approx 14 days. This scaffolding will be in the church car park as well as the road.

Swilgate Road will be closed on the hospital side, access to the rear of the church will only be from the Crescent end of Swilgate Road.

### WELCOME SPACE UPDATE

The Welcome Space building contract is hoping to start at the end of September. More details to follow shortly.

If you have any queries or concerns of the above, please speak to Adrian Shelley or Peter Stych.

**COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE** – please note there will be a short act of remembrance on our church lawn at 10.45am on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September to remember the 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Britain.

**CHRISTMAS FAIR** – apologies for this early entry but if anyone would like to collect the odd item for a Christmas hamper for our raffle that would be appreciated!

**OUR ECO CLUB** – *Seven of us had a very interesting discussion on how the church needs to work towards its Gold Award, but also individual members of the congregation, and it was therefore decided that there would be an article about lowering our carbon footprint, once a month, in the newsletter. We will soon have leaflets giving us ideas on how to calculate our carbon footprint, and then to try and reduce it.*

*Paying attention to what we do in our everyday life and campaigning for better solutions are both very important, whether about transport or food packaging, or using energy.*

*To start thinking about these different aspects of our lives, we will have a Brew it Fair weekend on 20th/21st September, when we will be reminded on how important fair-trade is for the world, our neighbours in developing countries in particular.*

*The 12th October is Tax Justice Sunday; we are hoping to have someone explain how our taxes, what we pay and how, affect the planet.*

*The next meeting will be on Saturday 20th September at 10.30am. Come and have your usual fair-trade cup of tea or coffee, and listen to all the good things you can do to protect the planet.*

Thanks to Sophie Franklin for running the Eco group and keeping us up to date.

**ANGELS!!** *We need to make 100's of paper angels for our Christmas exhibition so we are planning to have two workshops to do this on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October and Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November between 10 and 12. All materials are supplied and they are very easy to make. Please come if you are able – open to all who like a bit of simple crafting and share fellowship. If you feel you would like to make some at home for us do see Gill Shelley.*

**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, will be working in maintaining contact with all our church family.  
Jean Davies

**COFFEE ROTAS – Saturday and Sunday**

If you are able to 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.

**CHURCH FLOWERS** – this is a reminder that for a donation flowers can be arranged in the church in memory of a loved one or in celebration of an event. There is a list in the vestibule – please write the date required and see Wendy Allen.



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**NOTICES FOR SEPTEMBER** will be prepared by Jean Davies – [jed0606@yahoo.com](mailto:jed0606@yahoo.com) or 01684 772178. The deadline is 4.30pm on Thursday.