



# Newsletter

Sunday 27th November 2011

## Wellington Methodist Church and Centre

New Street, Wellington, Telford, TF1 1LU

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Welcome to Wellington Methodist Church! At the top of New Street, the church seeks to serve town and people and offers good news for all. If you are here for the first time or just visiting the area you are welcome. Please feel at home and if you would like to know more about the work of the Church please ask, or fill in one of the contact leaflet sheets to join the mailing/email list. Do stay and join us for tea and coffee after the service.

### Services for Sunday 27th November (Advent Sunday)

10.15 am Church Anniversary - Rev Dr Neil Richardson  
(past President of Methodist Conference)

6.00 pm United Advent Service Churches Together Wellington, Hadley &  
Leegomery at All Saints Parish Church

### Mid-week Worship (Thursday)

9.30 am Holy Communion - a 30 minute service for anyone in town.  
In the Sanctuary. All welcome.

### Services for next Sunday

9.00 am Holy Communion - Rev Peter Clarke

10.15 am All Age Worship - Mr John Parkin

3 pm Thanksgiving service at Madeley see insert for more details

6.30 pm United Advent Service at All Saints



### Our prayers

We think of those who are unwell, in hospital or recovering at home.

Mary Grecis and Kay Noble now home from hospital. Please remember the family of Maisie Lowndes, Noreen in the Priory whose son has died



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## **WEEKDAY PROGRAMME**

### **Monday - Friday Pre School**

#### **Monday 28th November**

9.30 am ESOL  
10.00 am Slimming World  
10am-12noon - Keeping in Touch  
1 pm Healthy Lifestyle & Help to Quit  
6pm Brownies  
7.00 p.m Banners

#### **Tuesday 29th November**

10.30 am Art  
1.30 pm Art  
1 pm ESOL  
6.00pm Girls Brigade  
7.30 pm Membership Course

#### **Wednesday 30th November**

10 am Cake with a difference  
1 pm TCAT - Life Skills  
2.00 pm Photoshop  
5.15 pm Rainbows  
6.00 pm Guides  
7.30 p.m Ladies Group - Brian Luke  
Gardens of Isle of Wight

#### **Thursday 1st December**

9.30 am Holy Communion  
10-12noon Coffee Morning  
12.15-1.00pm Food for Thought -  
Nigel Young  
1.00 pm Craft  
1.00 pm ESOL  
7.30 p.m Wesley Guild - Devotional  
Terry Gilder

#### **Friday 2nd December**

10.00 am Osteoporosis Coffee Morning  
10 am Computers for the Terrified  
1 pm Computers for the Terrified  
1 pm Toddlers

#### **Saturday 3rd December**

10.00 am-12.30 p.m Ladies Group  
Verifying of CRBs in Ministers Office  
2.00 pm Start of Lantern Procession from  
here  
7.00 pm Charity Concert -  
Ironbridge and Severn Gorge Lions Club

## **NEWS, DIARY DATES & SPECIAL EVENTS**

### **Christmas Organ Concert with audience carols**

Friday 16th December at 1.00 pm with Michael Davey with A Capriccio directed by Robert Wysome. The Church will be open at 12.30 pm with tea coffee and soft drinks available. Bring your own lunch. The concert will begin at 1.00 pm and be of 40 minute duration. Admission Free. Retiring collection

### **Ironbridge and Severn Gorge Lions Club**

Are holding their Annual Christmas Charity concert on Saturday 3rd December at 7 pm here in church featuring The Gallery Singers, The Cadence Singers, The Lord Silkin School Steel Band. Tickets £5 (Available fro Office) all proceeds to Wellington Cottage Care, Day Care Centre

### **6th December MWiB /Network**

Here at Wellington 2.30 pm - 3.45 pm in Sanctuary . Members choice for Christmas song praise and prayer. All Welcome.

### **Children's Work**

We would still like to find a crèche co-ordinator and extra volunteers to help out on Sunday mornings with the children's groups. Many thanks to those who have volunteered so far. It would be helpful if CRB checks could be carried out in December ready for 1<sup>st</sup> January.

### **Nativity Festival**

Last year at the Chapel of Christ the King they held a display of a nativity scenes and they are hoping to do the same again this year. Do you have a nativity set that you would be willing to lend for the display? it would need to be at the Chapel by 29th November. For more information please see Catherine the festival takes place on 30th November, 1st 2nd and 3rd December please see poster for times.

### **United Advent Service**

6.30pm Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November at All Saints Parish Church.

Churches Together in Wellington, Hadley & Leegomery invite you to share in this special seasonal service.

The worship will be led by Revd Peter Clarke, the preacher will be Revd Mark Ireland.

### **Churches Together**

3rd December switching on of the Christmas lights. Carol singing will start about 3.45 pm and the switching on of the lights takes place at 4.30 pm

Please do your best to attend these events.

### **Safeguarding Training**

To All personnel required to undertake Foundation Module A Safeguarding Training:- There is a Safeguarding training day on Wednesday 25th January 2012 at 7.00 pm at Oakengates United Reform/Methodist church. Please inform Marjorie Brown church Safeguarding Co - ordinator if you wish to attend. Thanks

### **Verification of CRBs**

Peter will be in his office from 10 - noon Saturday 3rd December to verify CRB applications. Forms can be obtained from the office, please remember to bring your appropriate documentary evidence with you, *please check the instructions carefully*. There will be a further date to verify CRBs

### **Cards**

Thank you to all who regularly support the card stall. Over the years we have raised over £3000 for the building fund and other church projects. Cost are however increasing and particularly the cost of envelopes. If you have any unused envelopes sitting in the cupboard at home I would be very pleased to receive them. I particularly need C6 (4½in x 6½in) size envelopes. Please continue to support the stall. Barbara Murray

**Last Weeks Collection Amounted to £ 737.79**

### **Focus on Growth Evening**

On 7th December at 7.30 pm at Oakengates United Church. The Chairman of the District John Howard is running an evening on Church growth it has been suggested that it may be useful if *Stewards, Worship Leaders, Communion Stewards, Welcomers* etc made an effort to attend.

### **Craft Fayre**

During the coffee morning on 10th December there will be craft stalls at £5 each available. If you would like a table to sell your goods contact Lesley Graves on 222395 for a booking form. Please tell your family and friends. Shan and Lesley

### **Sugar Flower Course**

A TCAT course starting on Wednesday 11th January at 10.00am for ten weeks. Suitable for both beginners and those who have done sugar craft before. For more information and details of course fees please see Barbara in the office phone 250944 or e-mail [barbara@telfordmeth.org.uk](mailto:barbara@telfordmeth.org.uk)

### **Willow Lantern Workshop**

Prior to the Christmas lights being switched on in Wellington on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, there will be a lantern parade starting from our Church. In preparation for this, The Girls' Brigade are hosting a willow lantern workshops on behalf of the Wellington Town Council (who fund it) on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 6 to 7.30. We would like to invite anybody to attend, young or old. There is no cost to this, and refreshments will be available. If you would like to come along, please let me know beforehand so that we can ensure there is sufficient materials for everybody to make the Lantern. Making the lanterns involves using pva glue, wet strength tissue paper and of course willow, they are illuminated with l e d (light emitting diodes) lights.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> December The parade will be led by a piper (pipe major Martin Hewins) in full costume and will proceed down the high street into the square followed by Santa in his sleigh.

Tracey Bailey (Girls' Brigade) 01952 405178 or 07896 478391

### **T.C.A.T—Bridge Centre**

If anyone knows any adults who need help with English/Maths please see Barbara in the Office. Sessions are held here in church on Wednesdays at 1 p.m

### **Morrisons Vouchers**

Thank you to everyone who gave me Morrisons vouchers. We had such an increased amount this year and will be able to order lots of gardening equipment for school - thanks to you. Tina

### **Website**

Have you visited the revised church web - site?

If not why not take a look and add it to your favourites list

[www.wellingtonmethodistchurch.co.uk](http://www.wellingtonmethodistchurch.co.uk)

### **Madeley - Fletcher Memorial Methodist Church**

A thanksgiving service for the life and witness of the Church since 1842. Sunday 27th November at 3.00 pm. For over 200 years Methodism and Madeley stories have been interwoven. John and Mary Fletcher and their household began a movement in the town that has continued to the present day. This special service will remember chapel and school times past. All are welcome to come and share this special occasion

### **New Prayer Handbook 2012/2013**

If you have a prayer or photo which you think might be suitable for the new Methodist Prayer Handbook, please submit it by 20 December 2011 to the editor, [Primavera Quantrill](mailto:Primavera.Quantrill@methodist.org.uk).

The title of the 2012/2013 Prayer Handbook is Crossing the Chasm.

Crossing the Chasm will examine the theme of reconciling discipleship; living the peace of Christ in a broken world and being drawn into God's programme of reconciliation within ourselves, our Church and our world. The title comes from the Hermann Stuempfle's hymn 'When the bonds of love are breaking'. Prayers should not exceed 120 words or 12 lines. Shorter prayers and prayers for specific themes or countries are more likely to be used.

### **Jigsaw Sound**

Begin your Christmas celebrations with Jigsaw Sound at Admaston Methodist Church on Tuesday 6th December at 7.30pm. Singing frivolity & refreshments. Entrance fee £5 adults £2.50 children under 10s free. All proceeds to Goboka Trust, Rwanda for teaching English to young people and church funds. For more details see poster or phone 07976957703

### **MWIB**

Advent Service. Thursday 1st December 2011 at 2.00 pm . At Chapel of Christ The King. 'God in Creation' and festival of Nativities

### **Belmont Hall**

My thanks to all who supported and helped provide the teas this month.  
Dilys Kinder.

### **Thank you**

Thank you to all our knitters for Prem - baby knitwear. Delivery to PRH/RSH by 30th November. Many thanks to all Shirley.

### **December Birthdays**

13th December James Corns age 4

19th December Mrs Ann Hallam

## **Church Holiday**

I have now received details of a proposed Hotel between Torquay and Paignton namely Livermead Cliff Hotel which adjoins the beach (if you have internet you can access it.)

The coach will leave Wellington on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2012 and return on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2012 with a four night stay including breakfast and evening meal. There will be trips out by coach each day to various places of interest in Devon and Cornwall.

The total cost will be just under £300 and this is based on a minimum number of 30. I hope that there will be no supplements for single people but some may wish to share a room.

At this point in time I am seeking numbers of interested people to see whether the holiday is possible by reaching 30. Please use the portion below to indicate interest and the holiday will be open to members, friends and any other interested people.

Best wishes Dewi

I am interested in the holiday next June

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_