



Newsletter

Sunday 4th December 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 4th December

9.00 am Holy Communion - Rev Peter Clarke

10.15 am All Age Worship - Mr John Parkin

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

10.15 am Holy Communion - Rev Peter Clarke

5.00 pm Christingle Service - Fizz Buzz



Our prayers

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

Please pray for Mabel Baker, Ilene Haynes, Margaret Miles now in Farcroft

Prayer for Today - taken from the Methodist Prayer Hymnbook

Ever speaking God, we thank you for the many ways in which you have opened your word to us and for the many people whose stories have brought that word to life. Help us always to be open to that word, that by your Spirit we may be challenged and changed by it. Through Christ, your living Word. Amen



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WEEKDAY PROGRAMME

Monday - Friday Pre School

Monday 5th December

10am-12noon - Keeping in Touch

6pm Brownies

7.00 p.m Banners

Tuesday 6th December

10.30 am Art

1.30 pm Art

2.30 pm Network

6.00pm Girls Brigade

7.30 pm Membership Course

Wednesday 7th December

2.00 pm Photoshop

5.15 pm Rainbows

6.00 pm Guides

7.30 p.m Ladies Group -

Own Evening

Thursday 8th December

9.30 am Holy Communion

10-12noon Coffee Morning

12.15-1.00pm Food for Thought -

1.00 pm Craft

7.30 p.m Wesley Guild - Mr Roger Jones

Friday 9th December

10.00 am Craft & Chat - Icing for Christmas

10 am Computers for the Terrified

1 pm Computers for the Terrified

1 pm Toddlers

Saturday 10th December

10.00 am-12.30 p.m Coffee Morning -

Home Missions & Methodist Homes

To include Craft Fayre (See back page)

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

Christmas Fayre

I would like to say a big thank you to all organisations, stall holders, hospitality group, helpers and anyone else involved in any way to making this years Christmas Fayre the outstanding success it was. To exceed last years total in the current economic climate was an amazing effort by everyone. In case you haven't heard the total raised was over £1700.00.

Ray Willetts

Christingle

Fizz Buzz invite everyone to join them for our Christingle Service at 5pm on Sunday 11th December. This is a celebration for everyone no matter what you age. Come and join us .Emmanuel Crew

Last Weeks Collection Amounted to £615.01

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

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](#), .

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

Christmas Cards

If you wish to write one card to all your friends in the church and display it on the notice board, we will be starting next week.

A donation for church funds would be much appreciated.

Please give this to Catherine.

Coffee Morning 17th December

Catherine and I will be doing this for Property Funds. We would appreciate any donations of mince pies or prizes for the raffle. Thanks Tina

Web site

I would like to thank Adrian and Anthony Millington for all the work they have done on our web site. Adrian has recently changed the web site and if you have access to the internet do have a look as your comments would be greatly appreciated. If you are a group leader in the church please look at the information given about your group and if you would like to change or amend it, then please let me have it in writing. If you can send it by e mail then this would be very helpful. Without your help we can not keep the web site up to date.

Many thanks Barbara Murray

6th December MWIB/ Network

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

Focus on Growth Evening

On 7th December at 7.30 pm at Oakengates United Church. An uplifting, inspiring and empowering evening for Church members who are interested in making their Church welcoming and inviting. Led by Rev John Howard - Chairman of the District

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

Mince Pies

We would be pleased to receive any gifts of mince pies/chocolate biscuits etc for refreshments for the Christingle service.

Thank You Emmaus Crew.

Gift Aid

Well done to over 3,700 Methodist churches that have made tax reclaims through the **central bureau service operated by the Connexional Team's Finance Office**. In this year, the last one in which 28p in the pound could be claimed, more than £9.5 million has been claimed from the government by churches across the Connexion.

Thank you to all who are able and chose to Gift Aid their giving to the Church, more than 75,000 people throughout the country. The average reclaimed per church was over £2,500 and the average reclaimed per donor was £126.

Why not consider Gift Aiding your contributions if you do not already do so ?

Please see David Corbett

All claims received up to the end of September have been processed and submitted to HMRC, and churches should now have received their payments.

Please support your Gift Aid secretary and encourage other tax payers to use Gift Aid - it really makes a difference to all donations both large and small

Birthday

Happy Birthday wishes to Mrs Elsie Abbots who will be 80 on 22nd December

Coming soon.....

Pre—school nativity 14th December at 10.15 am