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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER 2026

WEEKLY DIARY

Playgroup meets every day during school term time

Sunday 25 October	10.00 am	At Woodhouse Eaves
Monday 26 October	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 9.45 – 11.45 am 6.30 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Charnwood Saxes Guides Sharing Scripture
Tuesday 27 October	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 4.30–7.30 pm 7.30 pm	Playgroup Cosmic Theatre School Men's Supper Group
Wednesday 28 October	8.45 am – 1.00 pm 10.00 – 10.30 am 3.15 pm	Playgroup Playgroup in the Vestry Fun@Church
Thursday 29 October	8.45 am – 4.00 pm 10.00-10.30 am	Playgroup Playgroup in the Vestry
Friday 30 October	8.45 am – 4.00 pm	Playgroup
Saturday 31 October	6.15 pm	Karate

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 1 November	10.15 am	Richard Oliver Steward: Heather Coffee:
Sunday 8 November	**10.00 am**	Churches Together Remembrance Service at Holy Trinity Followed by parade to the War Memorial
Sunday 15 November	10.15 am	Victor Poon Steward: Sandra Coffee:
Sunday 22 November	**10.30 am**	Circuit Service at Quorn United Church
Sunday 29 November	**6.00 pm**	Churches Together Advent Service Rev Martin Swan

As always, our thoughts and prayers are with anyone in need.

FEAST (FRIENDS EXPLORING AND SHARING TOGETHER}



This Advent gift yourself some space amidst all the busyness to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. Each Tuesday from 1st to 22nd December inclusive we will meet in the Welcome Coffee Bar at 7.30 pm and explore this year's Methodist Christmas theme of 'Do not be afraid' using material prepared by FEAST (Friends Exploring And Sharing Together). Refreshments will be included! Each session will involve a poem, a bible reading, a carol and a song to prompt our thinking. Hope to see you there. Eleri



Many thanks to everyone who sponsored Carolyn and Philip when they took part in the Annual Ride and Stride event organised by the Leicestershire Historic Churches Trust recently. As a result the Church has received £152.50 as our share of their sponsor money.

If anyone would like to know more about this event then please have a word with Peter or Janet – it will be happening again next September!

CIRCUIT PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Emma Lowe has been appointed Circuit Pastoral Support Worker and commenced her role on Monday 19th October 2026 working ten hours per week supporting the Circuit Ministers.

MONTHLY CIRCUIT PRAYER MEETING ON ZOOM

Rev Karen & Rev Nina would like to invite you to a Monthly Circuit Prayer meeting on zoom. This will be the first Thursday of each month 7.30- 8.00 pm. If you would like to attend, please send an email to the circuit office 'circuitoffice@charnwoodmowbraymethodist.org.uk' asking for the link.

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Holy One – far beyond our imaginings, yet coming to meet us through Jesus – in the joy and messiness, the hopefulness and the hardships of our lives. May our places of worship be safe and authentic spaces for sharing who we are and how we are as we journey alongside one another and with you. May we listen attentively and compassionately, as we seek one another's well-being and flourishing, knowing that all are cherished by you. Amen.

Ruth Flatman, EDI outreach and support worker, Ceredigion Circuit







FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO FOLLOW THE KNITALONG ANNUAL PROJECTS FROM VICTORIA METHODIST CHURCH, BRISTOL - FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO DON'T BUT LIKE TO KNIT WHY NOT THINK ABOUT JOINING IN?

Knitalongs Update

Dear friends,

We have some exciting news to share!

We are delighted to have received funding from the Methodist Church's New Places for New People initiative, which is helping us explore what it means to be an online community of faith and crafting. As many of you know, our knitalongs have become much more than a knitting project. They have become a place where people can reflect, pray, create, encourage one another, and connect from wherever they are.

This funding gives us the opportunity to grow and develop what we offer. We also hope that it will enable us to reach even more people – whether they are already within an existing church community or not.

Growing Our Online Presence

One of the ways we want to do this is by launching an Instagram page (search Victoria Methodist Knitalongs) and increasing our activity across social media.

Our aim is not simply to post more content, but to create more opportunities for people to engage with the community, share their knitting journeys, encourage one another, and stay connected between knitalongs.

Whether you enjoy following along quietly or joining in conversations, we hope these new channels will help strengthen the sense of community that has already begun to grow.

Knitalong Instagram Page

Audio Format

For this year's Lent Knitalong, we will be introducing audio recordings of all the Lent Knitalong reflections. We know that not everyone finds it easy to sit down and read, and many of us like to knit while listening.

The recordings will allow you to listen to the reflections while knitting, walking, travelling, or whenever it suits you. We hope this will make the reflections more accessible and help people engage with them in a way that fits naturally into daily life.

Online Gatherings

We are also planning to begin experimenting with online get-togethers for our community.

These gatherings will provide an opportunity to spend time together, share a reflection, worship, knit, chat, and enjoy one another's company. We're still working out exactly what these sessions will look like and how often they might take place, but we're excited to explore new ways of connecting beyond the written materials.

Looking Ahead

Alongside all these developments, we are busy preparing for both our Advent and Lent Knitalongs. The welcome information for the Advent Knitalong will be coming out on 11th November to allow time to gather the materials in time for the start of Advent.

We have exciting ideas taking shape and are looking forward to sharing more details in the coming months. As always, our hope is to offer meaningful reflections, beautiful knitting projects, and opportunities to grow in faith together and experience God wherever we are.

Thank you for being part of this community. Your participation, creativity, encouragement and prayers give us the motivation to grow this project; we hope you can help us shape what it becomes. We are excited to see where this next chapter leads and look forward to continuing the journey together.

Please do send us any questions you have; we'll do our best to answer them.

With every blessing,

Lyn and Helen

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responding to God's love in Jesus and living out that love in God's world