



Telford Methodist Circuit Newsletter

5th December 2024

Lawley Carol Singing

This notice confirms that we will be carol singing in Lawley on Tuesday 10th December.

We will meet outside Lawley Primary School, Pepper Mill, Arleston Lane, TF4 2PR. There is parking directly outside the school on Pepper Mill which runs parallel to Arleston Lane.

We will meet at 18:55 and walk to our first station at 19:00. The whole session will last an hour and comprises 40 minutes singing and 20 minutes walking. We are not door knocking or collecting but will hand out flyers advertising our forthcoming coffee mornings in the Hub.

Please dress for the weather. If the weather means it is unsafe we will notify cancellation on the Circuit website



John Parkin



The Methodist Church

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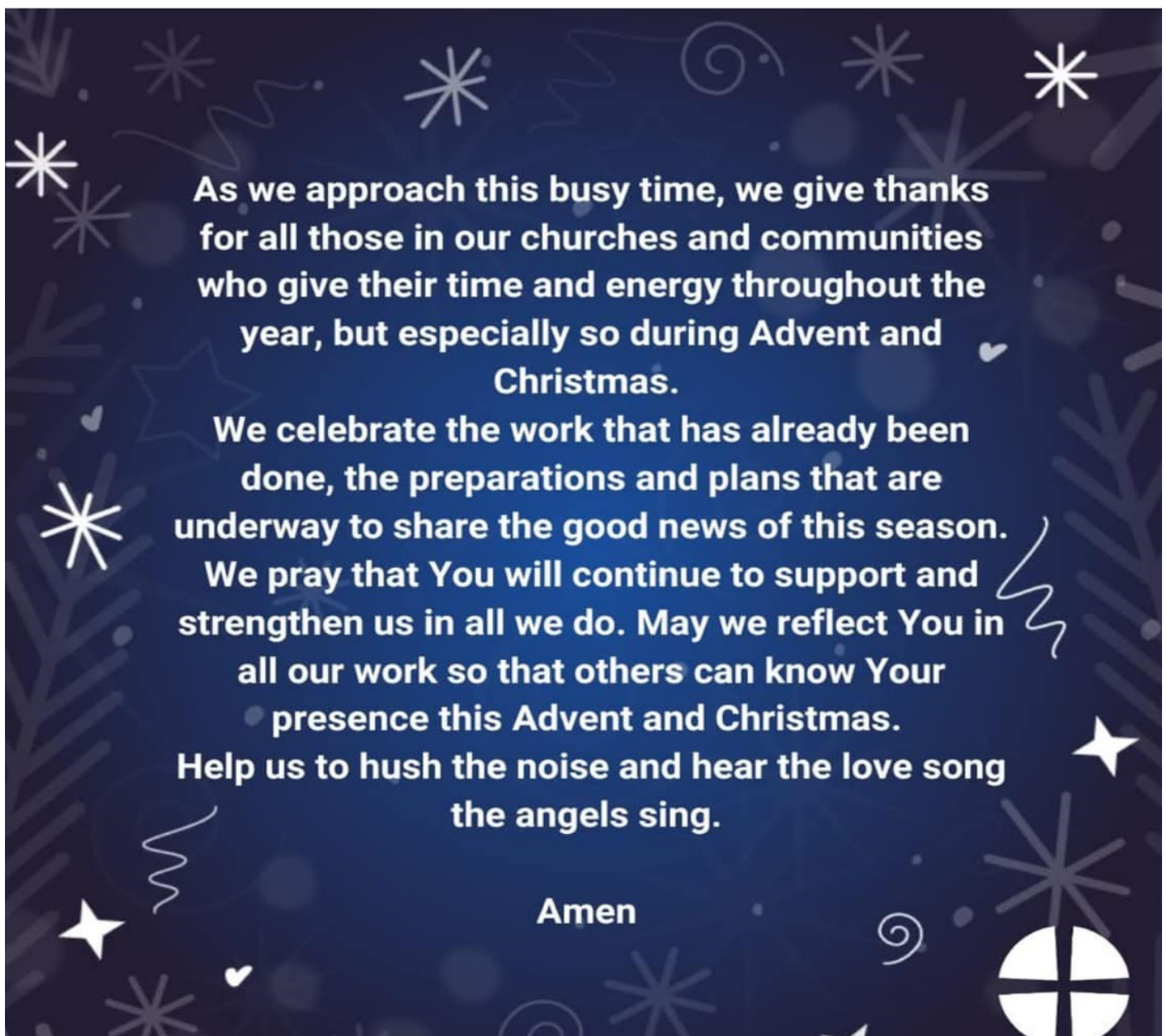
As we approach this busy time, we give thanks for all those in our churches and communities who give their time and energy throughout the year, but especially so during Advent and Christmas.

We celebrate the work that has already been done, the preparations and plans that are underway to share the good news of this season. We pray that You will continue to support and strengthen us in all we do. May we reflect You in all our work so that others can know Your presence this Advent and Christmas. Help us to hush the noise and hear the love song the angels sing.

Amen

[#HushTheNoise](#)

[Advent and Christmas Resources - The Methodist Church](#)





For anyone feeling overwhelmed...

There's a lot going on right now - and it can be easy for that to become too much.

Jesus encourages his followers to take note of the noise and chaos around them so they can respond to it in meaningful ways. One way we might do this is using the idea of the stress bucket, which is used to help communicate how we're feeling and find ways to hush some of the overwhelm.

Take a moment to consider what is pouring in to your bucket, and what you can do to make some space to [#HushTheNoise](#).

Give yourself a minute to pause and consider what you might choose not to do this Advent. While you pause, take a moment to pray as you breathe, and remember that, even when the noise is overwhelming, there are things we can do to reconnect with love and peace.

If hushing the noise feels impossible or you need support in the overwhelm, call Samaritans on 116 123 at any time.



Hello Folks,

Here is a taste of our Stay n Pray work since September 2024.

I returned to school in September and sadly have not been too well with polymyalgia rheumatica which affects my mobility somewhat. Nevertheless, God is good and I'm enjoying working with the children and currently spend time doing music with the SEND hub children every Monday morning. These children have complex special needs and many are nonverbal but they look forward to a singing session with Mrs T!

I continue to go into classes and have been talking about the Parables in particular. Meditation with Lectio 265 Families is still proving popular and each week K S 2 children gather to listen and reflect during their break time. They are very used to it now and can recite the P R A Y by heart:

P : Pausing to be still

R; Rejoicing and Reflecting on verses from the Bible

A : Asking for Gods help

Y: Saying Yes to Gods ways

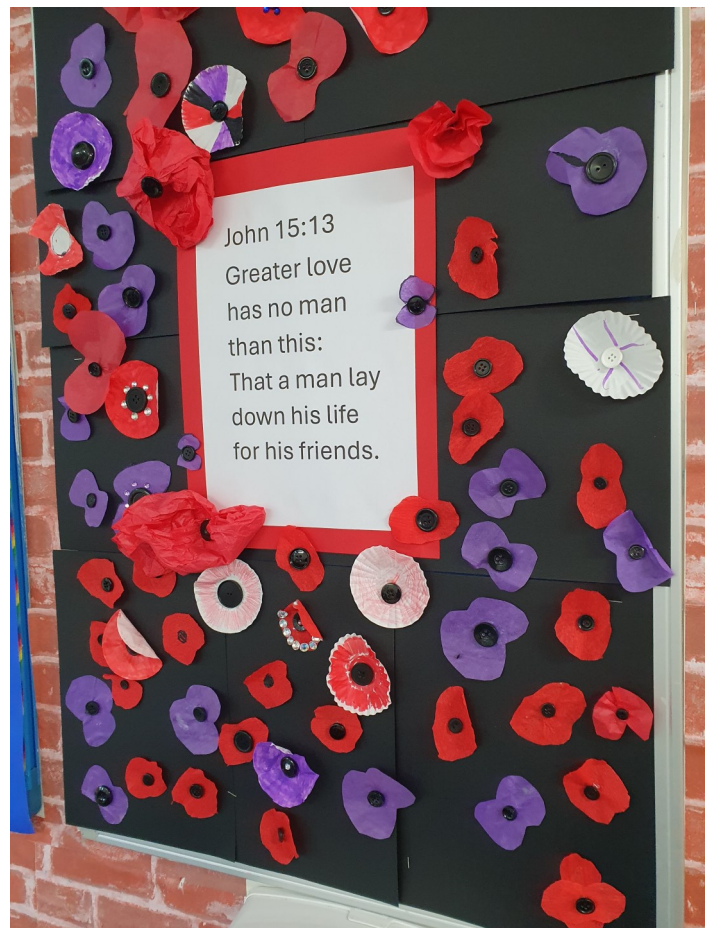
We always have informal chat afterwards and have some very interesting discussions. Sometimes we pray together and there remains the offer of the 'Private Prayer' jar.

Lunchtimes its Stay n Pray and as I've said, we have been looking at Parables. See the photo of The Sower attached. Our Christian value this term is Compassion and kindness and the children made kindness flowers.

It was great to have Jo K join us for a session recently and I have a helper Mrs Staddon who loves to come and craft with us too. It felt the right time to set up a Prayer table around Remembrance and Prayers for Peace.

On a personal note, we have been blessed with a new grandson Oliver who arrived in October so we thank God for his safe arrival.

May I wish you all a very Happy and Peaceful Christmas and a blessed New Year.



Hi again

Please pray :

For children and their families,
and the school staff. May they
seek God and find Him this
season.

For those families struggling with
money and for whom Christmas
is an extra burden.

For those little groups of children
who are drawn to meditation and
actively seek to know more...

For all the Christian activities at
school and for Rachel, the RE
lead .

For my mobility to improve and
the leg pain to disappear!

GIVE THANKS

Thank you that Rev Adrian
Burdon is now school governors
chair, and the foundation
governor is the local Anglican
priest Andy. Great to have a
strong Christian presence again
on the Board of Governors.

Praise God for those children in
school who ask the questions
and want to know more of God's
love

God Bless

Julie





Collection

Working out Worship



Working out Worship is a series to help anyone who is looking to resource worship in their Local Church. For lay people, or ordained. For youth workers, Sunday School leaders, worship leaders, stewards, local preachers, ministers or any who are interested

Events in this collection



Working out Worship
Wed, Jan 15 • 7:00 PM GMT
Free



Working out Worship
Wed, Jan 22 • 7:00 PM GMT
Free



Working out Worship
Wed, Feb 5 • 7:00 PM GMT
Free



Working out Worship
Wed, Feb 12 • 7:00 PM GMT
Free

Click on the link below to find out more.

[Working out Worship by Methodist Learning Network | Eventbrite](#)

This week in Advent we focus on the prophets: ordinary humans who hear the divine love song and share it with other people to help them hush their noise.



Bible study

This week, Luke 3:1-6 tell the story of John the Baptist, who prepared the way for Jesus by travelling around sharing the word of God with everyone he met

[Hush the Noise - Advent 2 Bible study](#) - To profit's show.

The good news is God has always shown the way to people; listen to their wisdom for how to hush the noise. and share your wisdom!

Questions to ponder

- When have you been told something difficult about yourself by someone you trust, something that you knew was true but didn't want to admit?
- Who has been a prophet in your life, pointing the way towards Jesus?
- What's your song? What do you contribute to the songs of the prophets?

Online Bible Study is on a Monday 1.3pm, Monday 7.00 pm and Wednesday 8.00pm

Enjoy a lively discussion as we explore the work of the Holy Spirit in Acts.

Please contact the Circuit office if you'd like to know more. If you're not sure why not give it a go? All are welcome.

Circuit Prayer Space

Circuit Prayer Space on a Monday morning at 8:30am.

Val Smith is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Circuit Prayer Meeting

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96716434790?pwd=RTZZa210Q1ZOWCtLTWk3NHoyWDVlQT09>

Meeting ID: 967 1643 4790

Passcode: 355690

Every person is made in God's image and is of equal value

Everyone is welcome

The Methodist Church is committed to *Justice, Dignity and Solidarity*. We believe that all people are uniquely made in the image of God, and we aim to live this out in the Church and in our communities. This forms our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) work.

Find out more about the Inclusive Methodist Church



I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

John 13:34 (NRSVA)

Albrighton Methodist Church

Christmas Coffee Morning

December 7th

Christmas Gifts



Stalls,



10am -
12 noon

Gifts,



Special Raffle

PROCEEDS FOR ACTION FOR CHILDREN

Christingle Service

8th December 2024 at 10:30am

A time to recognize and celebrate Jesus
Christ as the “Light of the World”.

Come and join us and make your own
Christingle.

Service will be led by David Corden



All are welcome.

LEEGOMERY METHODIST CHURCH

Invites you to join them

On

Sunday 8th December

At 4 pm

THE GUIDING STAR



When the children & Young People of the Sunday School
will retell the Christmas Story

Come and hear this well known story retold

And join in with the Carols

Everyone Welcome

<https://sites.google.com/view/leegomerymethodistchurch>



BRIDGNORTH CARTWAY CHURCH
 come and share in
CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING
Saturday December 7th 10-12
GRAND DRAW-
Wonderful prizes
Merry Christmas!



Christingle
The Children's Society

Join us for our **Christingle Service**
Sunday 8th December
5:00pm



Reaching out together to share God's
 amazing faith, hope and love



The Church of
St Andrew
& Trinity
Church
Shifnal



Christmas In Shifnal



Christingle Service - Sunday 8th December 5:00pm

A joyful celebration to make our Christingles, share the light of Jesus and spread a message of hope.



HeartSpace Christmas - Sunday 15th December 10:30am

Contemporary Praise worship at the Trinity Centre



Carol Service - Sunday 22nd December 6:00pm

Come and sing well known and much loved carols, and listen to the Choir.



Crib Service - Christmas Eve 4:00pm

Excited children dressed up as nativity characters, our young choristers singing their hearts out, and a chance to come up to the crib to peer in and see the tiny Christ child.

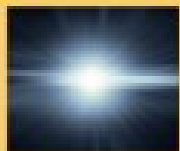


Carols in Shifnal - Christmas Eve 5:30pm

with Salvation Army Band in the town centre



Trinity Centre Christmas Eve Communion 6:30pm



Midnight Mass - Christmas Eve 11:30pm

The mystery & majesty of welcoming the new-born child into our world in the darkness of Christmas Eve



Christmas Morning

8:00am Early Communion

10:30am - Family Communion

Bring a present to show and tell!



Join us in Church or online

**At Dawley Christian Centre on
Tuesday 26th, November, 3rd, 10th
and 17th December at 7pm.**

**Join us this Advent to learn
more about the greatest gift
we've ever received... Jesus
Christ.**

**A time to reflect on the meaning of
Advent and prepare and anticipate
the coming of Christ.**



Christmas Table Top Sale

Friday December 13th
at Dawley Christian Centre

Feel free to dress up and
have some fun :)

9:00am-12:00noon



Come along
and grab
yourself
a bargain!

To book a
table call
01952 505108

All you keen or would be bakers please

**Join us for Bread Church at
Dawley Christian Centre**

On Saturday 14th December 2024

9:30-1:30pm (with a light lunch)

Wednesday 18th December 2024

between 1-3pm

(Making our own mince pies)

ALL ARE WELCOME



**Everything will be ready for you to make your
own bread and it's FREE!**

Please come along and give it a go.

HeartSpace on Sundays 10:30am

Upcoming dates:
Sunday 24th November
Sunday 15th December
Sunday 19th January

Do come along!

**Relaxed contemporary worship
at the Trinity Centre, Victoria Road,
Shifnal**





**CHRISTMAS CONCERT
WITH JIGSAW CHOIR**

Admaston Methodist Church



Tuesday 17th December

Doors Open 7.00 p.m.

Concert Commences 7.30 p.m.

Ticket Only Event £7.00

Ticket Enquiries' :Phone Jane: 07976 957703

Or amcenquiries@outlook.com

*Mince Pies & Mulled wine served
during interval*



*Parking Opposite Admaston House
Off Pemberton Road*



Celebrating 150 Years

Please join us for our

Christingle

6.00pm Thursday December 19th.

Wellington Methodist Church



Enjoy making
your own
Christingle to
take home

FUN

EXCITING

For all the family

All are welcome

Christmas Carols in the Dawley Bandstand High Street, Dawley

Friday December 20th at 10:30am

Come along and join the Dawley Christian Centre as we get into the spirit of Christmas by singing our favourite carols.

Complimentary hot drink and mince pie provided.





**TELFORD CONCERT BAND
& THE DARBY SINGERS**

Christmas **CONCERT**

7PM

**SATURDAY
21ST DECEMBER 2024**

**DAWLEY CHRISTIAN CENTRE
HIGH STREET, DAWLEY TF4 2EX**

Adults £6
Children FREE

Proceeds will go to Telford CAP &
Dawley Food Bank



LEEGOMERY METHODIST CHURCH

(Hadley Park Road)

Sunday 22nd December

11 am Morning Worship



11 am



6 pm Carols by Candlelight

Suitable for all ages



Everyone welcome

Refreshments will be served



Visit our website <https://sites.google.com/view/leegomerymethodistchurch>



A fresh new way of
experiencing
church...

On 23rd December 2024

From 1-3pm

Dawley Christian Centre

**FREE Crafts and activities.
Stories, festive games and
snacks.**

**For families and individuals
of ALL ages and stages.**



ADMASTON CHURCH INVITES YOU TO A FAMILY
FRIENDLY SERVICE TO CELEBRATE THE REAL MEANING
OF CHRISTMAS. FOLLOWED BY MINCE PIES AND HOT
DRINKS

CHRISTMAS EVE

A KING IS BORN



ADMASTON METHODIST CHURCH
DECEMBER 24TH, 2024
SERVICE STARTS @ 6.00 p.m.

Bratton Road, Admaston. TF5 0AH
Please park opposite Admaston House Off Pemberton Road

LEEGOMERY METHODIST CHURCH

(Hadley Park Road)

Wednesday 25th December

CHRISTMAS MORNING

FAMILY SERVICE

AT 11.15 am

Led by

Rev Roger Dunlop



**Come and celebrate the
Birthday of Jesus**



**All are
Welcome**

Refreshments will be served

Visit our website <https://sites.google.com/view/leegomerymethodistchurch>

You are invited

Christmas Mince Pie and Coffee Morning

Adrian and Janet Burdon invite you to bring and share your left over mince pies and Christmas biscuits at their home:

11 Silverdale Close, Newport, TF10 9FA

Friday 27 December 2024

Between 10am and 12 noon.

Please bring a cup/mug for your coffee



The **Methodist** Church

Telford Circuit

CIRCUIT SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Home -based
12 Hours per Week
£7488 (Actual Salary)

We seek a person with ability to lead and instruct on all aspects around Safeguarding at a Circuit Level and to support local churches in exercising their Safeguarding responsibilities.

The post is to commence as soon as possible.
Applications will be dealt with as they are received until we find the right person for the role.

For a full application pack
please contact the Circuit Administrator
email: circuitssupport@telfordmeth.org.uk
Telephone: 01952 505108



Telford Methodists Circuit project '24-'25 with



Ajumako Osadzi Community Health Centre in Central Region, Ghana

The current
situation:



What is needed:

- 4 new hospital beds
- A sink for the delivery room
- A larger fridge/freezer
- A wheelchair
- Chairs for the nurses' station
- Delivery equipment

Total cost: £3500—£4000
(depending on the exchange rate)



Please consider how **you** can support this project.
Together we can make a real difference!

Christmas Raffle Prizes

Raffle to be
drawn on 13th
December

A HUGE Thank you to our
neighbouring shops for
supporting us in raising
money for the **Dawley**

**£1 A
TICKET**

Food Bank, High Street, Dawley TF4 2EX

We have some wonderful prizes to give away!

1st Prize: **Tesco Gift Voucher for £50**

2nd Prize: **Chocolate Hamper**

3rd Prize: **Turkey**

Other Prizes:

A voucher for **The Flying Fish**

A meal voucher for the **Elephant & Castle**

Sweet Tray from **Thomas Allsorts (Sweet Shop)**

A hamper from **Dawley Pet Supplies**

Cards & diary from **Dawley Card Shop**

Box of Cakes from **Amanda's Ow Bistro**

Voucher for **Golden Rolls**

A samosa from **The Indian Van**

Voucher for **Tattoo Studio & Hair Shop**

Voucher for **Sweetcheeks**

Voucher for **Tribe Hairdressers**

PLEASE CONTACT SHARON IN THE OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BUY A TICKET—THANK YOU :)

01952 505108 OR EMAIL: sharon@dawleychristiancentre.gmail.com

Don't sit at home feeling cold and hungry.

Come and join us at the **Dawley Christian Centre.**

Our Coffee Bar is open between 9-12:30pm from Monday - Thursday as a Warm Space. (We are open Friday mornings as usual for cooked breakfasts.)

Between 11am—12noon we are offering a tasty bowl of soup, with a slice of freshly made toast and a refreshing cup of tea or coffee and **it's all free!**

We can get through this winter together.



**Dawley Christian Centre
High Street
Dawley
Telford TF4 2EX**

**Pop in for a warm
welcome at our**



Cosy Café



Every Monday from

7th October

10.30 to 12.30

Meet friends and chat

Refreshments provided

Admaston Methodist Church,

Bratton Road, Admaston.

TF5 0AH

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Albrighton Open Door meets on the first Tuesday of each month 7-30 to 9pm. It is a series of informal and interesting talks and activities in a friendly social setting.

We are planning our programme for next year and invite anyone in the circuit who has an interesting job or hobby to come and speak at a meeting, for about an hour. Open Door is non-profit making so, the takings from the evenings are usually given to a charity of the speakers choosing.

The money will be donated to support the work of the “Blue Dragon Children’s Foundation”

[www.bluedragon.org], set up in 2004 and working to eliminate human trafficking (especially of children) in Vietnam and to create “A world where every child grows up safe and loved; where we are all free from slavery and exploitation.” Old friends and new members are very welcome.

On a similar line.

Is your church arranging a fundraising evening and would like some entertainment...

Albric Folk is a (5-7 piece) music group specialising in traditional folk songs, sea songs and shanties, mining songs, rural songs, Medieval and Renaissance music. We do not charge, but would welcome a cup of tea and a biscuit!

For speaking at Open Door or if you're interested in Albric Folk, please contact, Chris Harrison bch23@btinternet.com.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Chris



**Coffee Morning at Cartway
Methodist Church, Bridgnorth**

On the 1st Saturday of each month between 10am –12 midday there is a Coffee Morning at Cartway Methodist Church.

There's going to be a great raffle,.

All are welcome.



Wellington Methodist Church

Are having All Age Drop-in Craft Sessions on the second Saturday of each month.

The sessions are FREE and start at 10am-11:45am.

You are welcome to drop in any time.
Everyone is welcome.



**Coffee Mornings
at Horsehay**

**Every Wednesday:
10.30am - 12.00 noon**

**Join us for tea/coffee,
fellowship and lots of
chat and laughter!**



Ladies' Fellowship at Horsehay Second Tuesday of each month

in the vestry @2.30pm

ALL WELCOME - BRING A FRIEND!

Painting for Pleasure at Horsehay Methodist Church

Informal art groups (no tutor, but lots of chat and helping each other with tips and techniques). Whatever your skill level, if you enjoy drawing and/or painting, why not come and join us? Thursday and Friday mornings 10.00 - 12.30. £5.00 per session. Ring Dave on 01952 505942 for more info.



**Please get in touch if you have
something to share.**

Contact:

circuitsupport@telfordmeth.org.uk

or 01952 505108

Bereavement Cafe

A monthly opportunity to meet and chat with others who have been bereaved, hosted by members of local churches.

Second Monday of each month

2:30-4:00pm

Wellington Methodist Church



Church Activities taking place in

Albrighton Methodist Church on a regular basis:



Monday (2nd and 4th Monday of the month) **Coffee and T4U 10-12** (A quiet coffee morning for people who want a bit of time out it's FREE!)

Open Door - First Tuesday of the Month - 7.30-9pm. The evening has a variety of speakers ranging from singing, talks about wildlife, travel logs, health related talks.....£2

Weekly, **Thursday cafe 10-12**

Friday (2nd and 4th Friday of the month) Sing a long
2-3.30pm (For anyone who likes to sing 'old time'
songs or from the musicals. £2)



Saturday morning 1st Saturday in the month 10-12. with bric-a-brac and bookstall.



NEW!!!! Board Games

Come and join the fun!

**The last Saturday of each month
10am-12noon. This is for all ages.**

£2 per adult, £5 per family.

You are welcome to bring your own game.

We have a **Quiet Corner** open for prayer/quiet reflection when there are church run events, located in the Meeting Room. Gill is available for anyone who wants to chat on a Thursday morning and has planned a 'Food for thought' time for a short while after

All are welcome

