

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH Markfield



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Service Details for November

1st November

Stewards – Hazel Brewer, Roderick Lay, Ian Lay, Rosie Woodland

10:30am Taize Worship

6:00pm Circuit Zoom Service – Rev Joy Langford

8th November – Remembrance Sunday

Stewards — Linda & William Walmsley, Zoe Tur-Ribas, Ann Lay

10:00am Remembrance Service – Rev Judith Lincoln

6:00pm Circuit Zoom Service – Rev Helen Bell

15th November

Stewards – Ian Lay, Iris Bown, Anne Holloway, Jenny Marsay

10:30am Morning Worship – Rev Tom Wilson

6:00pm Circuit Zoom Service – Rev Judith Lincoln

22nd November

Stewards – Hazel Brewer, Roderick Lay, Rosie Woodland, Ann Lay

10:30am Morning Worship – Mr Ian Lay (Local Arrangement)

6:00pm Circuit Zoom Service – Rev Novette Headley

29th November – Homeless Service

Stewards – TBC

10:30am Morning Worship – Mrs Ann Lay (Local Arrangement)

6:00pm No Evening Circuit Zoom Service



DATE	FLOWERS	CLEANING
1ST NOVEMBER	Sandra Andrews	Hilda & David Poole Janet Forrester
8TH NOVEMBER	Remembrance Sunday	
15TH NOVEMBER	Margaret Silverwood	Ann Lay & Gill Gibbins
22ND NOVEMBER	The Gostelow Family	
29TH NOVEMBER	Ann Lay & Rebecca Goldring	Rosie Barrs, Kate Scott & Ann Holloway
6TH DECEMBER	Christine Bailey	

No Organists or Worship Leaders currently.

Please remember your Face Covering for during the services.

Please keep an eye on the Website for any Changes if new restrictions come into play

Ministers Letter

Dear Friends,

“Remembering”. It seems to be hardwired into November, doesn’t it? We start with All Saints, when we remember *all* God’s holy people, then there’s the famous 5th. On Armistice Day and Remembrance Sunday, we remember those who gave their lives for a better world, and recall the violence humanity is capable of.

Memories are important. Toxic memories from childhood can blight an adult’s life, while good memories of past blessings, and our traditions of worship, can sustain us through tough, dark times- like 2020!

But one unsettling aspect of this year has been how we *haven’t* been able to follow some of our usual traditions, say at Harvest and Easter. In exile in Old Testament times, God’s people cried out, “*How* shall we sing the Lord’s song in a strange land?” In my ministry, and in my own family, I have also met people who live with dementia, whose memories are no longer what they were, and who express themselves very differently from how they used to. It’s distressing both for the people living with the condition, and for those who love them.

And yet...God spoke to the people in exile, the words, “Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name: you are mine”. I believe He says these words to us today too. He that in the pain and muddle of this year. we are still His people. Whether or not we are able to respond logically and verbally to His love, I believe it is still there. God has redeemed us, we are His.

With love in Christ,

Judith

THANK YOU

Due to ill health Hilda and David Poole have decided that now is the time for them to stand down from the many different positions that they held within the Church (Church and Communion Stewards to name a couple). We are very grateful them both for all that they have done over many years of dedicated service for the church.

STAMP COLLECTION

Although the church is not properly open, we are still collecting used postage stamps for CANINE PARTNERS.

If you have any stamps you can bring them to me at 4, Church Drive.

Thank you. *Iris*

WORLD MISSIONS

If you have a World Missions collecting box please would you let Iris Bown have it ASAP. Thank you.

FOOD BANK

We are once again collecting items for the Coalville Food Bank and would welcome your participation. I think that the need is now greater than before as families struggle during this pandemic. The container will be in the front porch so that you can drop items in as you enter the church. Thank you.

LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS

The last two Sundays of this month will be Local Arrangements. The first (22nd) will be led by Ian Lay and the second (29th) which should have been a United Service at the Congregational Church but is now no longer taking place, will be led by Ann Lay. Thank you

Taize

The first Sunday (1st) will be focused on Taize and how it evolved. Karen & Danny Pattuzzi (Karen is Margaret Silverwood's daughter) who lead our monthly Taize service will tell us about Taize and also sing some of the Taize songs.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – Sunday 8th November 2020

With many Special Services and Parades cancelled this year due to the social distancing restrictions why not remember our fallen service men and women by holding your own Two Minute Silence at Home.

Remember you can acknowledge their Service on Sunday 8th November or Wednesday 11th November.

Remember At Home



Please 'Remember At Home' this year by observing two minutes silence at 11.00am, either inside your home or outside with your neighbours.*

* Please observe government social distancing guidelines

HOMELESS SERVICE – Sunday 29th November 2020

This is normally a United Service but this year, because of the current restrictions, each Fellowship will hold their individual services but still intend to donate goods (and money).

There are two organisations in Loughborough which we support in alternate years. Last year it was the Falcon Centre so this year it is The Bridge.

The Bridge charity in Loughborough *would very much welcome items for their Starter Packs.*

These packs are given to clients who have just been given/found accommodation, but have no income or possessions to make it their home.

Each pack includes:

Double duvet, cover and fitted sheet.

2 x pillows.

Toaster.

Kettle.

Cutlery – knives, forks, spoons, teaspoons x 2 each pack.

Crockery – bowls, plates, mugs, side plates x 2 of each per pack.

These packs are in high demand at the moment, and they don't have the budget to ensure that we can give them to everybody. We realise that some of these items are more expensive than others, and so it is ok if we get more of one thing than another; everything will help!"



CHRISTMAS 2020

It may seem a little early to be thinking about Christmas.

Many are already thinking about how we can make it special whilst still adhering to the current/new COVID-19 restrictions. These plans may change if any further restrictions come into place. Keep an eye on the Website for Up-To-Date Service Information.



The topic of Christmas Services and how we as a church will celebrate this important season was discussed at length at the Church Council Meeting.

Christmas Cards

We normally have a collection in Church for “Internal mail” that was kindly arranged by Margaret Silverwood. This Year Margaret has said she is unable to run this service and the Church Council decided that due to current restrictions we were unable offer this facility but we encourage people to give to the Methodist Charity All We Can” in-lieu of sending Christmas Cards.

We are grateful to Margaret for doing this “Mailing” Service in previous years and hope that the facility can be re-introduced in 2021.

Christmas Services

We will be running a Booking System for the majority of these services – Get your name down early for a seat.

We will not be having a Christingle Service, but Linda and Iris are looking at sending out a Christingle Pack to the Sparkles and After School Club families.

We are having a short “Carol Service” of sorts on Sunday 20th December at 6:00pm.

There will be a Christmas Eve Midnight Service on Thursday 24th December at 11:30pm.

There will Not be a Morning Service on Friday 25th December (Christmas Day) or Sunday 27th December due to the required deep-cleaning between services.

COVENANT SERVICE – Sunday 17th January 2021

This is currently planned as a Churches Together in Markfield Service at Trinity Methodist Church (which may change). Booking Required due to limited space in the church.

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Here are the events planned to date. Each begins at 7.00pm.

~~Fri 27 November 2020 Renata Konyicska (piano) from Hungary~~

Fri 5 March 2021 Domonkos Csabay (piano) from Hungary

Fri 7 May 2021 Alistair Parnell (saxophone) from Nottingham

Fri 10 September 2021 John Parson (cello) & Beate Toyka (piano) from Derbyshire

What is it about Markfield and attracting fantastic Hungarian pianists?! **Renata's** visit on 27 November will be her 4th; we are used to her amazing abilities and artistry. **Domonkos Csabay** looks like following in Renata's shoes: he has made his BBC Radio 3 debut playing Beethoven and is due to release his first CD on Naxos. In May we look forward to **Alistair Parnell's** return with his incredibly engaging programme, and in September we will welcome the wonderful cello and piano duo from Derbyshire – **John Parsons** and **Beate Troyka**.

Tickets will be available nearer to each date when further information can be found on our website:

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DECEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Items for the Next Newsletter are required before Sunday 15th November.

Many Thanks.

Sandra Andrews