

Connections

The Magazine of Ashbourne Methodist Circuit

SUMMER

a time to reach
your neighbours

Matthew 22:39



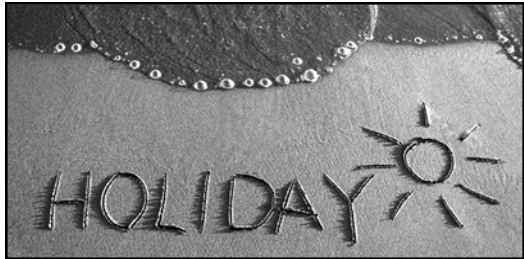
July & August
2018

Letter from the Minister
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July/August 2018

Dear Friends,

“Here comes summer!”

At home, or away, I hope that these summer months enable you to have time to get out, or to do something different, or to have friends, or family come to stay with you.



It will be no surprise to most people that we're heading back to Northumberland for our holiday this year, and there we will visit the congregation at the Methodist Church in Seahouses. A 'busman's holiday'? No, we are always remembered and welcomed – I can't think why! And it feels like a second "home". A lot of that is to do with being made to feel "at home" among those who are there all the time. We are not strangers, but friends.

As you know, I am passionate about our own ministry to visitors to Ashbourne and the surrounding villages. That's not just about inviting people onto our premises, but about making them feel welcome to the activities and interests that form part of our ministry and mission. That can be from just having the church building open to allow people to come inside, sit quietly, pray, read, or just to spend time there, to inviting people to an event, service, or activity.

"All are welcome in this place" is a new song we sometimes sing in worship these days. I hope that the sentiment in those words will ring true for those we welcome, as well as for the places you go to.

So, whatever you are doing this summer: at home, or away, I hope you feel welcomed, and are welcoming. In doing so we are offering and

being offered the hospitality of the Christian family, the love of Christ and the blessing of God.

Your minister and friend,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Morris". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line under the name.

Ashbourne Church Family News

“Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength; they will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.” Isaiah 40:31

Whether we are young and energetic or older and feeling weary sometimes, God promises to renew our strength if we wait on Him. Let’s encourage one another with those words.

There are a number that I know of who are not well and who would value prayer as they continue with ongoing treatment and tests. There are those who need personal prayer, or for family situations or for God’s guidance where decisions have to be made. We continue to bring to the Lord in prayer, Derek Blenkinsop, Barbara Hollands, Marianne Matthews, Margaret Wright, Margaret Smith, Jean Wathall and Andrew and Lorraine Garside along with others you know who are not named here. We remember all those who have a caring role; David Holland, Eric Matthews, Alan Wright and others, and give thanks for all who pray, visit, make phone calls, send cards, texts, messages or e-mails.

We welcome Mark and Angela Eden and Paul and Jo Taylor who have recently joined our fellowship. The Edens live in Boylestone and the Taylors in Ashbourne.

At the MWiB District Day at Ashbourne on July 18 there will be a Commissioning service when Sue Leese will become the next MWiB President for two years for the Nottingham and Derby District. Let’s support her in prayer.

We have a number of people to whom to send our congratulations this month; to Mark and Cherrie Broadhurst who celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 20 July and to Cliff and Sandra Lewer who celebrate theirs on 1 August; to Heidi Durose who is engaged to Tim Wijsbroek and they will marry on 1 August and to Craig Durose who is engaged to Hannah Higton; to Chris Evans who celebrates her 80th birthday on 31 July and to Pearl Webster who celebrates her 90th birthday on 16 August.

We extend our sincere thanks to Arthur Watts for so ably producing *Connections* since the beginning of 2006 and we are grateful to John and Daphne Dyster who will take on this role.

Remember Jonathan and Isabel Hill, our mission partners, in the uncertainties of Zimbabwe and Stephen and Suzanne in the UK. I am sure all the young people will be able to thank God for the holidays after the end of year tests and exams! We do hope you can have a good break from study. We remember those waiting for external exam results; Lucy, Beth and Molly, and William Alton moving to QEGS and others moving up to new classes at the beginning of September.

Don't forget the prayer time in the vestry on a Thursday at 9.30am for an hour but just drop in for a shorter time if that suits you. After worship on a Sunday, there are people available at the back of the church to pray with you or for you.

Elizabeth Spencer is part of the Chaplaincy team at the Royal Derby Hospital as a Chaplaincy Visitor and if you are in hospital and need a visit, you or a friend could let her know on 348482. Elizabeth is also a visitor at St Oswald's Hospital in Ashbourne.

Joyce Odell, *Pastoral Secretary* 27.06.2018

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*Proceeds to Ashbourne Methodist Church
Link Development Project*

Editor: The Rev Paul Hardingham considers the problem of plastic from a Christian point of view.

A Plastic Revolution

The recent Blue Planet II series exposed just how much plastic waste is an issue in our seas. The Prime Minister has called plastic waste *'one of the great environmental scourges of our time.'* The best estimates suggest 10 million tonnes of plastic ends up in our oceans, contaminating and killing sea life. How should we view this issue from a Christian perspective?

When God created the universe, He saw *'everything He had made, and indeed, it was very good.'* (Genesis 1:31). He calls us to share in His care of creation: *'Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves on the ground.'* (Genesis 1:28). Our rule over living creatures is not an excuse to exploit them in a selfish way. As those who made in the image of God, we are entrusted to care for them with responsibility and trustworthiness.

Why do the sea creatures being killed by plastic matter? Because of human rebellion against God (see Genesis 3), our relationship with God and His creation was damaged. No longer do we live with living creatures in harmony and interdependence. Yet after the flood, when Noah rescued the animals in the ark, they are included in God's everlasting promise to protect the earth: *'I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you, and with every living creature that was with you.'* (Genesis 9:9,10). This also points to God's cosmic plan to restore all creation to Himself.

What is our response to be? Where is God calling us, as His people in this time and place, to make a stand in protecting His creation? Time for a plastic revolution?

Quote of the month

The Christian's chief occupational hazards are depression and discouragement. *John Stott*

·Summer kids' - kids@cornerstone in the summer holidays



On 31 July and every Tuesday throughout August, kids@cornerstone will be meeting downstairs in Waterside rather than in our usual Cornerstone venue at our usual time - 9 to 11am. We enjoyed our change of scene last summer and have decided to have a bit more space again for a few weeks this year.

At Summer Kids there will be activities for children from birth up to the end of year 2, and the usual refreshments and warm welcome for parents and carers too. Over the weeks we will be creating a very big rainbow and hearing about the adventures of Teddy Horsley as well as singing (and dancing!) and playing together. As usual there will be no charge to come along, but donations are welcome. Please tell your friends and neighbours where to find us, and bring along any visiting family members of the right age. We'd love to see you!

Clare Sales



AGM and Supper- Wednesday 11 July

We hope you will come to our AGM and Supper to be held on Wednesday 11 July in the Century Hall. The AGM will commence at 7.00 pm. This will be followed by a supper, the menu being quiche, new potatoes and salad, with trifle for seconds. (Special diets can be catered for if you tell us). Tickets, price £5.00, will be available nearer the event. There will be an after-dinner speaker - watch the notices for details. The proceeds again are for MWiB funds. Do come!

District Day - Wednesday 18 July

We also hope you will come to the District Day on Wednesday 18 July. Coffee and Registration will be in the Century Hall from 10.30 am. There will be a business meeting in Church commencing at 11.15 am (not as deadly dull as it sounds!) This will be followed by lunch in Waterside commencing at approximately 12.30 pm (suggested donation £3.00 - please book in with Alma for this). The afternoon service will commence at 2 pm during which Sue Leese will be commissioned as District President. The preacher will be the Rev Liz Childs of Gainsborough and Dr Jill Barber of Englesea Brook Chapel and Museum will also speak. An occasion not to be missed! Make sure you are there!



MISSION MATTERS

MHA has been one of our church's mission partners for a long time. Why "mission"? God's Mission is to build His Kingdom here on earth. The Two Great Commandments in Mathew 22 show that our participation in God's Mission involves, first and foremost knowing Jesus the King and, secondly, obediently following in His Footsteps in service. The MHA website states that "Our mission is "to improve the quality of life for older people, inspired by Christian concern." Tom Parkinson has kindly produced this article to help us understand the MHA of today.

Richard Odell, World Mission Secretary

METHODIST HOMES FOR THE AGED. <https://www.mha.org.uk>

"Bringing quality to later life"! That is the first thing I noticed when looking on the MHA Web Site.

When I first looked at the web site for information to put in this article I looked at the history of MHA and on the article of how it was formed, which said.

"MHA was founded in 1943 by a group of Methodists who wanted to improve the quality of life of older people in the time before the creation of the Welfare State. We continue to have strong support from Methodists as well as other Christians to this day."

If nothing else has sustained MHA through these 75+ years it is that belief of bringing quality to folk in the latter years of their life, in whatever role the organisation does.

I said at one meeting I attended, that when I took up the reins as MHA Representative for Ashbourne Circuit sometime about the mid to late 90's, it has changed out of all recognition from what it was then, and looking at its history MHA has constantly evolved to meet the needs of that cornerstone of its existence, "Bringing Quality to later life"!

A few of those milestones are listed below:

1977 Housing services offering sheltered accommodation for rent.

1988. "Live at Home Scheme", support to older people with volunteer assistance.

1997. Purpose-built Dementia care homes, focussing on the person and their individual needs.

2004. Support for Dementia care with folk in their own homes.

2007. Reflexology, to aid those who need assistance with movement.

2008. Music Therapy, an innovative aid to those with Dementia whose memory needs assistance which music can be a key.

2009. The first purpose built "retirement village" at Auchlochan, Lanarkshire in Scotland. Where residents live together and have facilities for their needs, e.g. hairdressers, laundry, and social events and yet can lead an individual life if they so desire.

Today Methodist Homes has 18,000 people under its care supported by 7,000 staff, and 5,000 volunteers.

I noted that the staff to resident ratio is two to one which shows in itself how MHA covers the needs of its residents, and is backed up by the numbers that are volunteers.

It is led by a board that are volunteers too. Yes, they are professionals in their respective roles; they need to be, to lead MHA, onward and upward, past its 75th Anniversary and on to whatever the future holds for elderly and Dementia care.

As one who serves MHA as the Ashbourne Circuit Representative and has been to numerous conferences and MHA events, I can honestly say of all those I have met at those events all who serve Methodist Homes from the Chief Executive, to a new volunteer, are in their own way, a professional in what they do for MHA, they would not have it any other way. The original quote mentioned that the organisation started with support from Methodism and other Christians. This is true today, yet its care is not restricted just to Christians. MHA cares for many faiths too numerous to mention here. All are welcomed. The only criteria for residents that I know of, are those set for elderly care by the social care departments of the councils of our land, which are many and varied.

In conclusion, the work of Methodist Homes is as vital today as it was in 1943 when it began.

One only has to see on the television, hear the radio, or read in the media how the percentage of our elderly population is growing and the concern there is for the care of the elderly and the infirm.

While governments of all shades of their particular party and / or manifesto have over the years procrastinated over what needs to be done, MHA goes on with what was started in 1943.

What the future holds I have no idea, if the past is anything to go on, I would waste time trying to predict it. But, whatever it is, wherever and whatever MHA embarks upon, it will be governed first and foremost by that core statement, which I make no apologies for repeating,

"Bringing quality to later life"

Tom Parkinson, Ashbourne Circuit MHA Representative.

CHANGE!

Most of us studied *Fruitfulness on the Frontline*, and some of us attended the Lent course based on Robert Schnase's book *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations**. The Nottingham and Derby District of the Methodist Church has based its priorities on these practices, aiming to 'help circuits and churches engage in a wider mission to society and to develop whole life discipleship'.

To remind you, the 'five practices' are:

- radical hospitality
- passionate worship
- intentional faith development
- risk-taking mission and service
- extravagant generosity

I recently re-read the book and, bearing in mind that we, the people of the church, need to change as the church's building is changed, I was particularly challenged by these words from the last chapter,

'Excellence and Fruitfulness':

“John Wesley, wrote in 1786, ‘I am not afraid that the people called Methodists should ever cease to exist in Europe or America. But I am afraid lest they should only exist as a dead sect, having the form of religion without the power’.”

Schnase goes on to say “Answers will not come in easy-to-use new programmes, through quick fixes, or by adopting new slogans.... The most significant threats to the church’s mission come from the failure to perform the basic activities of congregational ministry in an exemplary way.

“Developing a congregational culture of genuine hospitality, authentic worship, meaningful faith development, life changing outreach and extraordinarily selfless generosity requires a profound change in attitudes, values and behaviours for most churches. Change does not happen quickly or without pain. And yet across the Connexion there are hundreds, and perhaps thousands, of churches that have experienced profound renewal and new life.

“Churches can change. By the grace of God, churches can step out in faith in radical new directions. They can chart a future that is different from the recent past. Their ability to become vibrant, fruitful, growing congregations is directly related to their willingness to perform the five practices in a consistently exemplary way.”

At the very end of the chapter – and indeed of the book – are two questions:

“How would your church look if your congregation committed to performing these five practices with excellence? What would change? Who would be with you who is not currently in your congregation? What excites you about that? What scares you about that?”

“How would personally practicing these five practices with greater intentionality shape your own faith journey? How would they change your habits, values and attitudes? How would practicing them change your relationship to God, to the church and to your neighbour?”

* Schnase, Robert, “Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations”,
Abingdon Press, 2007

Lorraine Hawkins

Editor: Canon David Winter considers the stages of holidays....

THE WAY I SEE IT - Holidays and Holy-days

‘Going to go somewhere nice for your holidays?’ is the standard hairdresser’s opening gambit at this time of year. ‘Yes’, I reply, ‘I’m staying here’. They laugh politely, but clearly that’s not their idea of a holiday.

In an average life holidays go through stages. Do you remember your late teens, and the thrill of independence - hitch-hiking with a friend across Germany, or scuba diving, or climbing mountains or camping (in the rain)? Then it’s couples, and memorable meals in little cafes in Italy or France. Next, perhaps, it’s children – warm sunshine, beaches, Spain or Cornwall. Then it’s retirement, and apart from grand-parent duties it’s cruises (‘cheaper than staying at home!’ they tell me, but I don’t believe it).

The final stage is where I am now, the holiday season as a time when the fever of life cools, when there’s room on the buses and trains, and blissful idleness punctuated by the occasional theatre outing or visit to Lord’s to snooze and watch county cricket.

Each phase has its appeal, and each can fulfil the fundamental principle of a holiday, which is hidden in the very word. It is, of course, a holy-day, because God commanded us to rest as well as work, and space and time to think, reflect and pray are precious holiday gifts.

At the different stages of life our holiday needs are different. What it should offer is a change from the normal, a new environment (even if it’s only the local park) and new experiences to treasure during the months of winter. God invented the Sabbath because we needed it. Enjoy your holy-days, wherever or whatever they are.

David Winter

REMEMBER - Your worst days are never so bad that you are beyond the reach of God's grace. And your best days are never so good that you're beyond the need of God's grace.



(JUNIOR MISSION FOR ALL)

Breakfast

For members and friends.

Sunday 15th July 9-10am The Cornerstone.

Come along and enjoy a nice breakfast and learn about another part of the world with our visitors.

Please let Ruth know if you can come along.
If you are unsure it is fine to just to turn up on the day.
Tel: 348342. ruth@mallards.me.uk

Re-usable Drinks Cups



We have recently bought re-usable lidded drinks cups for use at Messy Church and kids@cornerstone. We have a limited number available for sale at £6.50 each.

The cups are a lovely cream colour, with a red lid and sleeve, and feature the church's logo on one side and "seeking, sharing and serving the love of God" on the other.

The cups themselves are made from bamboo, while the removable sleeve and lid are made from silicone. Because bamboo fibre is naturally sterile, the cup is lovely to drink from and won't flavour-taint your drinks.

The cups are handwash only. When you're finished with the cup you can crush it, soak it in boiling water and bury it with your organic compost to start the biodegrading process. We believe that the silicone lid and sleeve can be recycled with your kerbside recycling, but we are checking with DDDC. If you would like one, please speak to *Stuart Green* (01335 300338)



Safari Meal - Saturday

8th September

When Jesus sat down for dinner, something special usually happened; water was turned into wine, 5 loaves and 2 fishes fed 5000 people, the rich sat down with the poor, the hungry were fed, the ignored became the included, the symbolic breaking of bread... There was more to a meal than just nutrition; there was almost always a deeper meaning or purpose.

Sharing food is about building community, and community can change our Church and the World. So we're inviting you to come and meet some new friends, or maybe get to know old friends better and share a meal. Each course will be at a different house, and then we'll all meet together for dessert and after dinner coffee in the Century Hall. Everyone is welcome!

You will eat each course at a different house with different people. You'll be in a small group, which stay together throughout, and join with a different small group for each course. You don't need to pre-arrange your small group, but you can do if you'd like.

We don't need everyone to provide food, so please don't feel that you need to offer to cook in order to come! And you don't need your own transport - we can arrange that too.

Please collect a form from Catherine Green if you'd like to come, so that we can plan your journey. There will be a collection at the Century Hall for the Link Development Project.

What must we do?

(Jn6:28-29)

Rushing,
serving on this committee or that,
attending courses, meeting to pray,
committed to study
and give thanks for each day.
Trying so hard,
trying so hard,
longing to get it right for you, Lord.
How can we know what we must do?

*Stop trying,
stop doing,
stop stressing.
Be still and believe.*

The whole work of God
is to believe in the one He has sent,
then thoughts, words and actions
will be the natural fruit of that believing-work.

Believe in Jesus –
That’s it!

Daphne Kitching

ALSTONEFIELD ANN GREEN FESTIVAL

Alstonefield churchyard contains the grave of Ann Green who died in 1518 – reputedly the oldest legible gravestone in the country. As part of the commemoration festival helping to raise funds for the upkeep of the church, Ken Sharples will be giving an illustrated talk entitled “*Monarchy, Marriages, Monks and Martyrs: the Messy Birth of the Anglican Church*”.

The event will be at **7.30 on Saturday 28th July** in St Peter’s Church. Admission is £5 for adults, free for children. Admission includes light refreshments.

Further details of tickets and the Festival can be found at www.alstonefield.org

Editor - In last month's "CONNECTIONS" Elizabeth Hurfurt wrote of the dilemma faced by those Indians considering becoming Christians. As we welcome our Indian clergy visitors from Patna this month more on this ominous development.

A seventh state in India has become the latest to pass an anti-conversion law, which Christians say will be used by right-wing Hindu nationalists to persecute Christians.

The new law requires clergy who lead a person to Christ to give one month's notice before doing so, which will spark a police investigation into the proposed conversion. And individuals wanting to change their religion must first get permission from the state government.

'These so-called *'Freedom of Religion'* laws have exactly the opposite effect,' says Paul Robinson of "*Release International*," which supports persecuted Christians around the world.

'They are intended to limit the freedom of individuals to change their faith, and the freedom of Christians to share their faith. These laws are the result of a hard-line Hindu backlash to prevent the spread of Christianity in India.' Christians in Uttarakhand who share their faith could now face a jail sentence of up to five years.

Hindu militants are alarmed by the spread of the Christian faith among the Dalit underclass. These so-called untouchables, who fall beneath the caste system, are responding to the Christian message that they are loved and valued.

India is seeing the rise of *Hindutva*, or extreme Hindu nationalism, which believes that to be Indian is to be a Hindu. Hindu radicals have made death threats against Christians and have ordered them to close their churches.

As we welcome our visitors may they be assured of our prayers for the potentially risky work of proclaiming the Christian gospel at home in India.

Editor - *I see from their Church magazine that our friends at St Oswald's are seeking to establish a working group to help maintain their grounds and graveyard around the Church. Quite by chance our friend the Rector of St James the Least of All was writing to his nephew Darren on his own experiences of such a venture. Let us hope that St Oswald's experience will be less exciting!*



On the delights of a working party in the churchyard

The Rectory

St. James the Least of All

My dear Nephew Darren

A few weeks ago, some visitors to our church congratulated me on the decision they thought we had taken to let our churchyard run wild, so it could provide a natural habitat for the local flora and fauna. While assuring them that thoughts of rabbits, moths and nettles were rarely out of our minds, I made a mental note that it was time for a working party to be drafted; our local flora and fauna needed reminding who is really in charge.

The request for volunteers produced the usual crop: those young farmers who saw it as an opportunity to compete with one another to prove who was the fittest, the recently retired who were determined to prove that they were just as able as those half their age and those whose main intention was to tell the rest how much better the job used to be done in their day.

I explained to them all that naturally I would have been only too delighted to help, but my poor back excluded me. I did, however, offer to sit in the sun and keep watch over their jackets. We all have our own particular ministries.

We were all more than a little surprised to see that Lord Euxton had put his name down on the list; the only exercise I have ever seen him doing is lifting a large whisky and soda. But on the day we found that his interpretation of offering his services meant sending round the under-gardener.

I never realised that Dr Tomkins could run so quickly until he accidentally scythed the top off a wasps' nest. Hotly pursued by several thousand irate insects, he cleared the churchyard, vaulted the wall and headed across the green to the village pond. Having spent the last three decades complaining about young people in the village diving into it, I suspect he will now be the first to contribute towards its upkeep.

The moment of high drama was when a tree stump was dragged up using a tractor. Such force was needed that if the chains had snapped, a substantial portion of the men of the parish would have been decapitated. When the stump finally gave up the struggle, it emerged with several long-forgotten headstones and a portion of the church's water main. The new feature of a churchyard fountain looked rather charming, until the water board arrived to cut us off.

During the lunch break, most had brought packs of sandwiches or flasks of soup – apart from Major Mitchell (retired) who dragged a picnic hamper from the car boot and set about a three course meal washed down with a bottle of chilled Chablis. His decision to have a little nap, empty hamper and bottle beside him, when all the others returned to work was not entirely surprising. Three hours later, with the job completed, we all left for home, with the Major still enjoying his siesta. I woke him up at 6pm when I returned to church to say Evensong.

Your loving uncle,

Eustace



SMILE

LINES

With the recent ordinations in mind

Staying power

Hospital patients' comment about the new Minister: 'He can stay longer in an hour than most people do in a week.'

From the new Editors

This is the last issue to be produced during Arthur's editorship of "Connections". He has done this job for more than 12 years, and we are all very grateful to him for his excellent work over such a long period.

It is with some trepidation that we offered to take this on, but in the absence of any other volunteers, we felt we should give it a try, starting with the September issue. Like Arthur, we will welcome contributions from everyone in the Circuit, but would particularly like more items from chapels other than Ashbourne. Please tell us about what is going on, and inform us if there are changes to the details for the various activities of your chapel.

Please note the deadline for copy for the September issue is the **15th of August**. Publication date is **Sunday 26th August**.

If possible, please e-mail us at: dysters@tiscali.co.uk. If this is not convenient, please contact us on 01335-344086.

Thank you,
John and Daphne Dyster

From the Editor

Dear Friends,
I'd like to thank everyone for their support during my time as Editor of "Connections" I have (mostly!) enjoyed doing it and hope Daphne and John will also be supported as they take on the role. The best way you can do this apart from reading each edition is to contribute and offer constructive feedback. Sharing your experience of your own faith journey is also one way you can make a positive contribution,

God Bless.

Arthur Watts

Ashbourne Circuit Church Services

Sunday July 8th

Ashbourne	9:15am	Café style	in Century Hall
	10:30am	Rev Tim Morris	Communion
	18:30pm	Diana Whitmill	
Brailsford	10:30am	Rev Mark Broadhurst	Theme Preach 3
Kniveton	14:30pm	Rev Tim Morris	Communion
Parwich	14:30pm	Peter Dawson	

Sunday July 15th

Ashbourne	10:30am	Powersource	
	18:30pm	Praise	in Century Hall
Brailsford	10:30am	Ann Parkinson	All Age
Tissington	10:30am	John Dyster	

Sunday July 22nd

Ashbourne	10:30am	Graham Penny	Chapel Anniversary
	18:30pm	Rev David Leese	Communion
Brailsford	10:30am	Tim Dutton	Theme Preach 4
Kirk Ireton	18:30pm	Peter Nelson	Chapel Anniversary
Kniveton	11:00am	Stuart Mustow	Chapel Anniversary
Parwich	14:30pm	Tom Parkinson	

Sunday July 29th

Ashbourne	10:30	Rev Mark Broadhurst	
	18:30	Ann Parkinson	
Brailsford	10:30	Peter Dawson	

Sunday August 5th

Ashbourne	10:30am	Stuart Mustow/ Rev Tim Morris	Communion
	18:30pm	Rev David Leese	
Brailsford	10:30am	Rev David Leese	United Service at Methodist

Sunday August 12th

Ashbourne	9:15am	Café style	in Century Hall
	10:30am	Peter Dawson	
	18:30pm	Lorraine Hawkins	
Brailsford	10:30am	Rev Tim Morris	Communion
Kniveton	14:30pm	Ann Parkinson	
Parwich	14:30pm	Rev Tim Morris	Communion

Sunday August 19th

Ashbourne	10:30am	John Dyster	Theme Preach 3
	18:30pm	Praise	in Century Hall
Brailsford	10:30am	Robert Sales	All Age
Tissington	10:30am	Tim Dutton	Chapel Anniversary

Sunday August 26th

Ashbourne	10:30am	Rev Tim Morris
	18:30pm	Ann Parkinson
Brailsford	10:30am	Stuart Mustow
Kirk Ireton	18:30pm	Rev Tim Morris
Kniveton	11:00am	Tom Parkinson
Parwich	14:30pm	Rev Tim Morris

Dates for your Diary

July

Sun 1st	16:00	Methodist Ordination service at St Oswald's Church
Wed 4th	19:00	Service at Milldale Chapel
Wed 11th	19:00	MWiB AGM and Supper
Thu 12th	19:00	Celebration of the ACT Patna Partnership
Wed 18th		MWiB District Day at Ashbourne Methodist Church

August

Wed 8th	19:00	Service at Milldale Chapel
Thu 9th	10:00	Messy Church
Sat 18th	9:00	Ashbourne Show

September

Tue 4th	19:30	Local Preachers meeting
Sat 15th	10:00	District Synod
Fri 21st		Circuit Week-end Away at Swanwick

Ashbourne Show 18 August

The circuit has booked a stall at the Ashbourne Show, on Saturday 18 August. This is part of our outreach & witness to the community. Are you able to help serve tea and coffee or just to chat with people? Lots of help is needed to set up and assist during the day.

Please contact Carole Thorpe on cethorpe@hotmail.com or 346535 if you are able to help. Help may be available with the entrance cost.

Circuit Weekend Away September 21-23

We have nearly 70 people of all ages from the Circuit signed up for the weekend away in Swanwick in September. If you would still like to join us for the weekend please contact me or maybe consider coming just as a day visitor on the Saturday and /or the Sunday... again please contact me for details. It promises to be a great time of fellowship, relaxation and growing in Christ in a beautiful venue not so far from home.

ASHBOURNE CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sun	6:30pm	Mustard (Youth Fellowship)
Mon	10:00am	Housegroup: weekly <i>Contact - David Heaton (343418)</i>
	2.00pm	Craft and Chat in The Cornerstone <i>Contact - Clare Sales (342321)</i>
	7:30pm	Housegroup: weekly <i>Contact - Helen Walker (343910)</i>
Tues	9.00am	kids@cornerstone <i>Contact - Clare Sales (342321)</i>
	10:00am	Housegroup: weekly <i>Contact - Alma Swan (343751)</i>
	12:30pm	Luncheon Club: last Tuesday in month, Century Hall <i>Contact - John & Elizabeth Hurfurt (342859)</i>
Wed	9:30am	Walk and Talk Group: weekly <i>Contacts - Chris and John Dakin (345280)</i> Amble & Ramble (easier walking): 2nd & 4th Weds
	7:30pm	Housegroup: fortnightly <i>Contact - Eric and Jenny Williams 346155)</i>
Thurs	9:30am	Prayer Meeting: weekly <i>Contact - Brian Hawkins (310353)</i>
	7:30pm	Housegroup: weekly <i>Contact - Jeff Ffoulkes (300443)</i>
Fri	7.30pm	Housegroup: fortnightly <i>Contact Nick Flux (07764988479)</i>
Thurs, Fri, Sat	10:00am	The Cornerstone Coffee Shop <i>Contact - Pat Fielding (345695)</i>

BRAILSFORD CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Tues	9:30am	Coffee Shop: weekly
Wed	12:30pm	Luncheon Club: monthly, 2nd Wednesday

HULLAND CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Tues	7:30pm	Bible Study: monthly, 2nd Tuesday
Thurs	2:15pm	Women's Fellowship: monthly, 1st Thursday

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Heidi and Sophie dressed as Mary Jones during Brailsford All Age Worship; theme The Bible



As part of the Summer Displays at AMC the front of the Church has been "Yarn Bombed"