

WOODSIDE AVENUE METHODIST CHURCH

COVENTRY, CV3 6BE

Sunday 23rd March 2025

Welcome to worship today

We are delighted to welcome Rev Anne Smith to lead our worship

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

THE MONEY BAG

Hymn 287 v 1 When I survey the wondrous cross

Reading: Matthew 26 : 14-16

Placing of the symbol : the money bag

Reading: Jesus in the olive grove,
Waiting for a traitor's kiss,
Rises free from bitterness.

As he wakes his comrades up,
Torches flicker in the glen;
Shadows turn to marching men.

In that dawn of blows and lies
Church and State conspire to kill,
Hang three rebels on a hill.

Innocent and guilty drown
In a flood of blood and sweat.
How much darker can it get ? (StF 267)

Hymn 287 v 5 Were the whole realm

PARISH NURSE NOTICES

I will be available, Tuesday and Wednesday. Do contact me if you would like to pop in or have a home visit. The next **Walk is 1st April**, meet in the main car park of the memorial park near the bus stop at 1.30. The First **R.E.F.R.E.S.H** session, went very well, with a good turn out and lovely relaxed feel. Next one is April 15th

The **next baby massage** course **starts 23rd April** and there are 2 spaces left.

Knitting dishcloths – there is a bag near the eggs, with a few balls of cotton, a sample dishcloth, and a sample pattern . All you need is around 60 stitches- do whatever pattern you like until its square . So it can be as simple or complex as you like. Help yourself to what you need. There is more cotton available and some needles and various patterns.

Messy Church/Easter extravaganza Wednesday 16th April 2-4, set up on 15th (around REFRESH). Most suited to primary age children, so spread the word. Please continue to add to the egg supply at the back of the church (up to real egg size) . Thank you!

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WOODSIDE FELLOWSHIP

We meet again this coming **Tuesday, 25th March, at 2pm**, when we look forward to welcoming Rev Graham and Alison Gee, who always give us an interesting session. This will be followed, of course, by tea and biscuits and time for lots of chat. Come and join us!

LENT STUDY

Rev Doreen invites you to share in as many weeks of Lent as possible on Thursdays from 1.30 until 2.30 pm.

COFFEE MORNING

The next regular coffee morning will be on Saturday 5th April from 10.30 until 12 noon. This will raise funds for Action for Children. It is hoped you and your friends can join us for a relaxed time together in support of the valuable work for this special Methodist Charity.

MORE COFFEE

We are invited to St Andrew's House Residential Home for coffee on Friday 4th April from 10.30 – 11.30. Do support them if you are able.

ACCREDITATION OF JO HIBBARD AS A LOCAL PREACHER

The Accreditation Service will take place here at Woodside on Saturday 17th May at 3.00 pm. Do reserve this date to celebrate together with Jo.

FAREWELL GIFT

You will be aware from the Circuit Notices that Rev Stephen Willey and Rev Kathryn Darby will be leaving the Circuit shortly. Their Farewell Service is on Sunday 13th April at 3.00 pm at Central Hall, at which you are most welcome. Although we haven't seen much of Stephen because of his responsibilities in the Circuit,

we have benefited greatly from Kathryn's ministry, and it is only two weeks since she was here at Woodside to lead our worship. If you would like to donate to a leaving gift, please pass your donation in an envelope to Ken Holmes. Who will ensure all donations are forwarded to the Circuit. Thankyou.

CHURCH FAMILY

Please continue to pray for those who would love to be able to join us in church but are unable to do so because of poor health or mobility. With their permission, do keep us informed of any we may not be aware of who are in special need.

Our services are recorded and are available for viewing on our website later in the day and throughout the week. (woodsidemethodist.org.uk), also via the phone on 024 76932114.

If you would like anything included in the notices for next week or the whole of March, please contact

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