

NOTICES & NEWS

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Worship in Church and Online

Preachers and readings for Sunday 7th April

Acts 4: 32-35
 Psalm 133;
 1 John 1: 1-2;
 2 John 20: 19-31

Worship in Church: 10.30am

Apr 7th Revd. Carrie Seaton
 Apr 14th Revd. Barry Bishop HC
 Apr 21st Revd. Barry Bishop
 Apr 28th Local Arrangement

Flowers in church this week have
 been kindly provided by
 Mrs R Allott

Weekly Programme

Monday:

Friendship Club (2nd Mon) 2.30pm,
Badminton Club 9.30 - 11.30am
BB&GA Anchors/Juniors 5.30-8.15pm
Welcome Cafe 5.00 - 8.15pm
Monday Makers 7.30-9.30pm

Tuesday

JellyTotz Parents & Toddlers 10-11.30am
Step"n"Style (termtime) 3.45-7.30pm
Men's Social (2nd Tue) 10.00-12noon

Wednesday

Welcome Cafe 10.00 - 12noon
Welcome Garden 9.30-12noon
Supastrikers (termtime) 1.30-2.15pm
Step"n"Style (termtime) 4.30-6.00pm

Thursday

Welcome Cafe 10am - 12noon
BB&GA Company 7.00-10.00pm
Craft Group 10.00 - 12.00 weekly

Friday 11

Friday Lunch Club 2nd & 4th Fri

Saturday

Welcome Cafe 1st & 3rd of month

Foodbank - The collection crate is
 available in the church entrance every
 week.

Church & PFA Events 2024

May 6th Plant Sale (HMC)
 June 8th Jumble Sale (PFA)
 June 15th Gloucester Model Railway Show (HMC)
 June 29th Strawberry Fayre (PFA)
 Sept 28th Jumble Sale (PFA)
 Nov 9th Jumble Sale (HMC)

Plant Sale – Appeal for Garden Tools etc.

Our annual Plant and Garden Sale will take place Bank Holiday Monday 6th May starting at 10.30am.

You may have already read a notice appealing for plants to sell. This note is all about **garden equipment**. We are looking for preloved equipment:

- spades, forks, canes, planters and ceramic pots etc.
- garden furniture, hand tools, shears, seeds.
- Lawn Mowers. If you have replaced your old mower or are thinking about it, we would like your old one, if it is in a saleable condition.
- anything else not mentioned above.

Please will you `Spring Clean` your garden shed and garage and put to one side, ready for our sale, anything that you no longer need in a saleable condition.

The hall will be open on Sunday 5th May 2-5pm to receive any donations of garden equipment. Please join us on sale day from 10.30am when the Café will be open for Coffee & Cakes.

Ladies Friendship Club

8th April 2.30pm

Angela Rendell's show on dressing the Victorian Lady, with her daughter Kate modelling dresses.

All are Welcome

The Craft Group

We are featuring the Craft Group this week with a potted History and current events and activities.

The Craft Committee thought that the Church Family would like to know the history of Hucclecote Methodist Craft Group.

The Craft Group was set up in approximately 1991 and was held at the Manse. It was run by Ruth who was at that time the current Minsters wife.

When the Meacham's term of office came to an end and transferred to another Church, it was decided that the Craft Group would continue, with Dorothy Dwight as Organiser and Jill Payne as Treasurer, positions they held for many many years. Also at this time the Group moved to the Church Hall on a Thursday morning 10a.m. till 12 noon. Everyone was welcome, whether a Church member or not, and this is how it has continued. The only dates we don't meet are Maundy Thursday and 2/3 weeks at Christmastime.

Our first meeting of the New Year is a Bring and Share lunch enjoying games and Quiz's, a fun time is had by all.

During the year we gladly receive craft materials, wool, zips, ribbons lace etc from people clearing out attics or sorting out their own craft items.

We pay a 6 monthly subscription in January and July.

We give donations to Brockworth House, and knit squares to make blankets for the residents to keep their knees warm.

We give donations to the Church for the use of the Hall for which we are extremely grateful.

We have for many years knitted baby blankets, cardigans and hats for the Premature Baby Unit, only this week we have prepared 17 blankets, 19 cardigans and 10 hats.

We are at present making a large banner to be displayed in the Church at Eastertime.

We also decorate a Christmas tree for the Festival in December, a different theme is decided upon every year and we decorate the tree accordingly.

On a regular basis we have an average of 20 to 25 crafters attending each week, enjoying teas, coffees and cakes served in the Welcome, by the delightful tea ladies.

The Group is a way of meeting new friends. We hold small internal workshops to teach one another new skills and how to make new items – we are very lucky to have some very gifted and talented members in our Group.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Our Christmas Fayre is to be held on 30th November 2024 10a.m. till 12noon in the Church Hall

Easter Images



Facebook – the old fashioned way

For people of a certain age it's difficult to see why Facebook exists so, I'm trying to make friends without it while applying the same principles.

Now, I tell people I meet:
what I have eaten, how I feel and what I did
the night before.
I give them pictures of my family, my dog, of me
gardening and selfies in front of landmarks.

I also listen to their conversations, give them
the 'thumbs up' and tell them I like them.

**I already have four people following me:
Two police officers, a private investigator
and a psychiatrist!**