

# NOTICES & NEWS

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## Worship in Church and Online Preachers and readings for Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> September

Joel 2: 23-32;  
 Psalm 65;  
 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18;  
 Luke 18: 9-14

### Worship in Church: 10.30am

*(Junior Church sessions are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> &  
 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday each month at 10.30am)*

26<sup>th</sup> Oct Gareth Zimmerman  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov Rev Heather Upton  
 (Holy Communion/ Church Anniversary)  
 9<sup>th</sup> Nov Rev Carrie Seaton  
 (Remembrance Sunday)  
 16<sup>th</sup> Nov Chris Law  
 16<sup>th</sup> Nov A Special Service of  
 remembrance

**Flowers in church** this week have  
 been kindly provided by  
 Mrs J Jackson

## Weekly Programme

### Monday:

**Badminton Club** 9.30-11.30am  
**Carers Coffee Morning** 10.30-11.30am  
 (3<sup>rd</sup> Mon)  
**Friendship Club** (2<sup>nd</sup> Mon) 2.30pm  
**BB&GA Anchors/Juniors** 5.30-8.00pm  
 (termtime)  
**Welcome Cafe** (termtime) 5.30-8.15pm  
**Monday Makers** 7.30-9.30pm

### Tuesday:

**JellyTotz** 10-11.30am  
 Parents & Toddlers (termtime)  
**Men's Social** (2<sup>nd</sup> Tue) 10-12noon  
**The Chosen** (Study Group) 2-4pm  
**Step'n'Style** (termtime) 4-8.30pm

### Wednesday:

**Welcome Cafe** 10-12noon  
**Welcome Garden** 10-12noon  
**Supastrikers** (termtime) 1.30-2.15pm

### Thursday:

**Welcome Cafe** 10 - 12noon  
**Craft Group** 10 - 12noon  
**BB&GA Company** 7-10.00pm  
 (termtime)

### Friday:

**Friday Lunch Club** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fri

### Saturday:

**Welcome Cafe** 10-12noon  
 (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> of month)

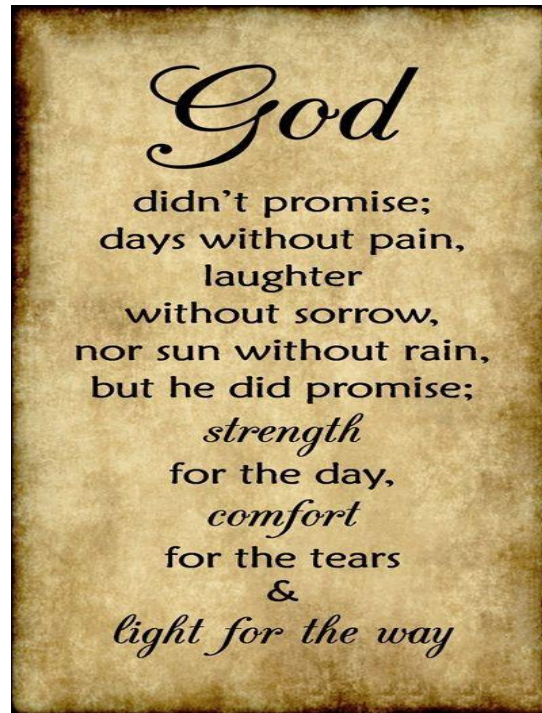
**Foodbank** – The collection crate is

## Church & PFA Events 2025

Oct 25<sup>th</sup> District Creative Day (at HMC)  
 Nov 8<sup>th</sup> Church Jumble Sale  
 Nov 15<sup>th</sup> Craft Group Christmas Fayre  
 Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> PFA Christmas Fayre 12-2pm  
 (proceeds for BB&GA)  
 Nov 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Church Open Weekend

### Lonsdale Road MC

Dec 13<sup>th</sup> Carols (Cotswold Clarinet Choir) & mince pies



## November Men's Social – An Invitation

This is advanced notice for our Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> November (2<sup>nd</sup> Tue).

Our speaker will be John Copsey who is the Chair of the **Cotswold Prostate Cancer Support Group**. John is a survivor of this cancer and has been involved with the group for many years, helping to raise awareness.

All our meetings are open to everyone, however, please come along to this one, even as a one-off visit, to learn more. There are no charges, just a pot for a donation towards refreshments.

## Open the Book

Our "Open the Book" teams have been dressing up again (there's only Ron who seems really happy about it):

*This is Pharaoh (Keith), his magician (Stewart) and his jailer, "preparing " for Joseph (Mark) to interpret Pharaoh's dreams in Open the Book last week.*



## Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Nov 3pm – A Service of Remembrance

As in past years, we will be holding a special service in the afternoon, led by Rev. John McNeill.

All are welcome to attend and reflect on the lives of those who have passed away in recent times or in years gone by.



## Bristol District Creative Day

with Worship, Workshops and Lunch

**Date: Saturday 25th October 2025**  
**Venue: Hucclecote Methodist Church , Gloucester**  
**GL3 3QP**  
**Time: 10.00am - 4.00pm**



**Workshops include:**  
**Ideas with Buttons; Bell Plates; Stone Painting;**  
**Embroidery on Card; Circle Dancing**

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## Remembrance Parade – 9<sup>th</sup> November

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Our annual parade will start from the Royal Oak in Hucclecote at 10.30am and will be led by the Band of the 5th Gloucester Boys Brigade and Girls Association. The remainder of the BB&GA Company will follow, accompanied by other uniformed groups and members of the public. A short service will be held at the War Memorial at the end of Green Lane, which will conclude with the Last Post.

The parade will then proceed into Carisbrooke Road and conclude with a short service in Hucclecote Methodist Church.

If you are unable to join the parade, there will be a period of reflection and prayers from 10.30am in the church before the parade arrives.

**5th Gloucester Boys Brigade & Girls Association would like to extend a warm invitation for ALL to join us in the hall afterwards for Coffee/Tea/Refreshments and fellowship.**



## Jumble Sale – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November

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### Second-hand, bric-a-brac and jumble sale

Commencing at 2pm

All the proceeds are for Church Funds.

Please will you bring your saleable items to the hall either:

- Between 6pm and 8pm on the Friday (day before) or
- Between 9am to 12noon on the Saturday.

**HELP please.** We also need helpers to sell the items.

We are usually very short of helpers,  
so even if you have not taken part previously,  
please come along to help.

**Clearing up** after the sale is always a big task,  
so if you are able to help us after 3.30pm to clear away and sweep up,  
please come along.

Many thanks to all who support us.

# Christmas Craft Fayre

Hucclecote Craft Group  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November  
2025

10am to 12am

Christmas Decorations

Craft Items

Raffle

Tea and coffee available



Saturday 22nd November 2025  
12-2pm at Hucclecote Methodist Church Hall



Visit Father Christmas in his grotto £3 per child



We are joined this year by **THE B FLATS**, an alternative guitar band from Gloucestershire.



## Jingle Bells Cafe Open

Hot turkey rolls  
Cakes  
Tea and Coffee



Entry -  
Adults £1  
Children free

## Things to do -

Children's crafts  
Games & Tombolas  
Raffle  
Stalls

All proceeds will go towards the Boys Brigade and Girls Association



## Christmas Shoe Boxes

### CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX PRESENTS FOR THE UNDER PRIVILEGED CHILDREN OF GLOUCESTER AGED 0 – 14 years

As you know we have for some years organised shoe box presents for the under privileged children in Gloucester. The Salvation Army very kindly distribute them, because they are able to identify children in need.

If you would like to help with this, please can your contributions be brought to Church before 15<sup>th</sup> November. The boxes will be blessed in Church on the 16<sup>th</sup> November and forwarded to The Salvation Army in time for distribution for Christmas.

Shoe boxes (**not** boot/trainers/lge men's please) should be labelled Boy or Girl and approx age. Some boxes will go to the Refugee Centres, so items such as toiletries and underwear will be very useful.

**This is a Christmas present**, so please include some toys and/or other items of fun including sweets. (Avoid chocolate because it can melt and spoil box contents).

Other suggested items could include:

Hat/Gloves/Scarf, hairbrush/comb, toothbrush/paste (age appropriate), bubble bath/soap, flannel/wash sponge/scrunchie. Colouring book/colouring pencils, magic painting book/paintbrush, reading books & puzzles. Plain paper pads/pencils, diaries, calculators, fancy key rings, hair slides etc. are all good for older children.

For baby boxes, please check suitability, especially toys and do not include sweets. However, baby clothes, nappies and baby toiletries are good choices.

If possible, the box should be wrapped in Christmas paper and secured with an elastic band. It must be able to be opened for checking contents to ensure everything is appropriate. If you are unable to do this, please leave the box unwrapped and just secure it with an elastic band.

If you are unable to supply/fill a box, we would be glad to receive items which we can add to boxes.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting this worthwhile venture.

Dawn

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Dear Colleagues and Foodbank Supporters,

You are warmly invited to the Gloucester Foodbank Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2025.

Date & time: Thursday 13 November 2025, 6:30pm

Venue: Matson Baptist Church, Matson Avenue, Gloucester, GL4 6LA

Members of Gloucester Foodbank have voting rights at the AGM. If you are not currently a member and would like to join before the meeting, you can sign up here:

Membership form: <https://gloucesterfoodbank.churchsuite.com/forms/13jZlqwu>

For your information, our Accounts for FY 2024/2025 are available here: <https://shorturl.at/WAlln>

#### AGM Agenda

- Opening remarks / welcome
- Apologies
- Approval of Minutes from 2024 AGM
- Presentation of Annual Report by Chair of Trustees / Foodbank Director
- Adoption of Annual Report
- Presentation of Accounts by Treasurer
- Adoption of Accounts
- Any AGM motions
- Appointment of Auditors
- Election of officers
- Any other business (AOB)

#### Meeting close

By order of the Board of charity trustees.

If you're able to attend, a quick reply to this email would be appreciated so we can plan seating and papers.

With thanks for your continued support,

Vicky Ranford  
Foodbank Director