NOTICES & NEWS

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Worship in Church and Online Preachers and readings for Sunday 16th November

Isaiah 65: 17-25;

2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13;

Luke 21: 5-19

Worship in Church: 10.30am

(Sunday Fun sessions are on the 2nd & 4th Sunday each month at 10.30am)

16th Nov Chris Law

 $16^{th}Nov$ 3pm A Special Service of

remembrance

23rd Nov Rev John McNeill 30th Nov Local Arrangement 7th Dec Rev Stan Brown

Flowers in church this week have been kindly provided by Mrs S Clarke

Weekly Programme

Monday:

Badminton Club 9.30-11.30am Carers Coffee Morning 10.30-11.30am (3rd Mon)

Friendship Club (2ndMon) 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
Parents & Toddlers
Men's Social (2nd Tue)
The Chosen (Study Group) 2-4pm
Step"n"Style (termtime)
Wednesday:

10-11.30am
(termtime)
10-12noon
4-8.30pm

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 2nd&4th Fri *Saturday:*

Welcome Cafe 10-12noon (1st & 3rd of month)

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

Church & PFA Events 2025

Nov 15th Craft Group Christmas Fayre 10-12noon

Nov 22nd PFA Christmas Fayre 12-2pm

(proceeds for BB&GA)

Nov 29th & 30th Church Open Weekend

Lonsdale Road MC

Dec 13th Carols(Cotswold Clarinet Choir) & mince pies

Re-dedication of Pastoral Visitors

Our service on 23rd November will include a Re-dedication of pastoral stewards and visitors. We pray that, as a church, we continue to be vigilant and support each other in this valuable work.

Jamaica Hurricane Appeal

Following our appeal and collection a week or so ago to support the devastation caused by Hurricane Melissa, we have sent £330 to the All We Can appeal.

If you feel you can give further support you can use the All We Can link below:

Emergency Appeal: Hurricane Melissa – All We Can

Christmas Craft Fayre

Hucclecote Craft Group Saturday 15th November 2025

10am to 12am

Christmas Decorations

Craft Items

Raffle

Tea and coffee available

HMC Website Homepage: www.hucclecotemc.org.uk

Remembrance Parade and Service

There is a Remembrance Special edition of the Notices to be found on the website alongside the weekly Notices. Here are a couple of images from the parade itself and the words of a hymn used in the church.



Only Remembered

Fading away like the stars of the morning, Losing their light in the glorious sun--Thus would we pass from the earth and its toiling.

Only remembered by what we have done.

Refrain:

Only remembered, only remembered, Only remembered by what we have done; Thus would we pass from the earth and its toiling,

Only remembered by what we have done.

Shall we be miss'd though by others succeeded,

Reaping the fields we in springtime have sown?

No, for the sowers may pass from their labors,

Only remembered by what they have done.

Only the truth that in life we have spoken, Only the seed that on earth we have sown; These shall pass onward when we are forgotten,

Fruits of the harvest and what we have done.

Oh, when the Saviour shall make up His iewels.

When the bright crowns of rejoicing are won, Then shall His weary and faithful disciples, All be remembered by what they have done.

Horatius Bonar

Celebrating Creation

Have we lost our sense of awe at Creation? That was the question we heard when Heather Upton came to preach to us recently. She reminded us to keep looking for the presence of God all around us through our connection to the natural world.

The Ecochurch group would like to ask if you could share some of your 'wow' moments with us to help us restore our wonder at nature. They could be photos of your favourite place or tree or a beautiful sunset, or a description of a time spent in a wild place. They will be printed here to give us all a chance to say 'wow'.

Here is one of my favourite autumn photos: a tiny world of toadstools and moss growing on a tree stump.





Advent Celebration - Open Church Weekend 29th & 30th November 2025

We have a Church Open Weekend on the 29th and 30th November to share what we do, with the community of Hucclecote. The Service on Sunday will be followed by a Bring and Share Lunch and a meeting with the Circuit Superintendent Rev Jayne Webb. Jayne is visiting all the churches in the Circuit to help them discern their strengths and develop their mission plan. She is particularly skilled at doing this and we need as many members as possible to come to the meeting and join in the discussion. So please put the date in your diary and make every effort to attend.

Advent Celebration - Open Church Weekend 29th & 30th November 2025

Dear Friends,

We are now well on our way to finalising plans for our Open Church Event over the 29th & 30th November.

Every room on our premises will be open to our neighbours within the community.

On Saturday from 10.00am – 4.00pm and on Sunday from 3.30pm – 5.00pm (circa).

The event will close with switching on our 'Nativity on the Green' by the Mayor of Gloucester.

The 'Welcome Café' will be open for the whole event to run on our usual donation basis. Bakers- this is again your chance to shine. We will need cakes to showcase your skill and generosity.

We also require staffing for all the rooms, to direct and answer questions, as our visitors engage with the various activities going on.

It is hoped that every church group will be represented over the weekend and if you haven't already been asked (we haven't got around to quite everyone yet), to write, demonstrate or display, and would like to, please contact one of the stewards.

It would be good if as many of our church members and followers could be present over the weekend as possible.

Please contact any of the stewards to offer your time.

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 presets 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 15th November. The boxes will be blessed in Church on the 16th 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 <u>please include some toys and/or other items of fun including sweets.</u> (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, diarys, 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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Men's Social - Tuesday 11th Nov

Join us at our next meeting at 10am. Our guest speaker is the Chair of the Cotswold Prostate Cancer Support Group.

We are sure this is a subject which concerns all of us so please come along if you wish to find out more.

We meet as a group on the 2nd Tuesday, each month.







join us for the FIRST ANNUAL LECTURE



Wednesday 26th November 2025

4:00 - 5:30PM (GMT)

'A still small voice -God's strange almightyness'

Dr Frances Young

Retired Birmingham Professor of Theology, Dr Frances Young looks back on the life of her son, Arthur, and will share stories of how she worked through the questions of faith raised by having a profoundly disabled child. Join us to hear her reflections on the importance of the little and the vulnerable in the gospel of the upside down Kingdom



Join Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 896 4823 1283 Passcode: 801644