



Welcome!

Sunday 27 April

Worship in Ashbourne

10.30am Church with Choices
at Hilltop School & at home  
led by Lorraine Hawkins, Jeff Ffoulkes,
Tim Dutton & Becky Dutton

In the main hall, Lorraine & Jeff will be looking at John 20:19-29 & thinking about 'Doubting Thomas' & our doubts. In Seek & Share Tim & Becky will be using the same story to explore belief through a memory game, a quiz, some discussion & making a banner.

1.45pm Songs of Praise at Dove House *

6.30pm Mustard Youth Fellowship in Cornerstone

Worship around the Circuit

11am Worship at Kniveton
led by Ann Parkinson

3pm All Age Worship with tea & cake
at Brailsford All Saints

6.30pm Songs of Praise at Kirk Ireton
Led by Revd David Leese

Private Prayer

Tissington & Milldale Chapels are open daily for private prayer.

Worship at Home

The service from Ashbourne is live streamed on Facebook & YouTube.

The week ahead...

Monday 28 April

2-4pm Craft & Chat in Cornerstone
7.30pm Housegroup at Helen & Tony's

Tuesday 29 April

9.30-11am Welly Club at Ashbourne Town Hall
9.30-11.30am Brailsford Coffee Shop in the Chapel
10am Housegroup at Fairways
2.30pm Housegroup at Susan & David's

Wednesday 30 April

from 7pm Refreshments & Link display *
then 7.30pm General Church Meeting at Brailsford *

Thursday 1 May

9.30am Time for Prayer
in St Oswald's small meeting room *
7.30pm Housegroup at Sue & Jeff's

Friday 2 May

7.30pm Poetry Evening
at St Oswald's Church Hall *

Saturday 3 May



9.30am-3.30pm VE Day Celebration
at Brailsford All Saints *

Tuesday to Saturday

8.30am-4pm Cornerstone Coffee House open

* see reverse for more details

Sunday 4 May

10.30am Church with Choices
at Hilltop School & at home  
led by Fiona Green, Ruth Barratt,
Revd Nicola Briggs & Catherine Green

10.30am All Age Worship at Brailsford
led by Tracy Dawson

1-3.30pm VE Day Celebration at Brailsford All Saints *

2.30pm Worship at Parwich
led by Peter Dawson

4.30pm Afternoon Tea Service – Songs of Praise *
at Oswald's Church Hall
led by Tim Dutton

Everyone is Welcome!

Are you new to this Church or just visiting?

We are very pleased to see you.

Please make yourself known to a Steward & take this sheet home with you to learn more about our activities. To receive this notice sheet electronically, please contact us at noticesamc@gmail.com

Prayer for the week

Emmaus Road: As we walk on our life journey help us to recognise Jesus walking alongside us. May He open our hearts & eyes to new Hope & a new Life which He offers to us all. May the power of His Spirit equip us & fill our lives to live for Him.



Please Pray for

Please Pray for Chris D, Margaret H, Revd Nicola & all others who are unwell at this time.

The Open the Book team will be presenting the story of Abraham & Sarah in the 6 schools this week in mime & with puppets. Please pray for them in their ministry.

Family News

Birthday Greetings to Jonathan W who was 70 on 21 April.

Thank you

We were delighted to receive the Easter flowers from Church, delivered by Sue. Thank you. *Margaret & David H*

Connections

The May edition of Connections magazine is now available.

Dove House Songs of Praise

This takes place again on Sunday 27 April at 1.45pm. Please pray for the little team & residents. *Joyce*

New...online Midweek Prayer

The Outreach Team are trying out a new online initiative, initially for the summer. From Easter a short Midweek Prayer will appear on Facebook each Wednesday. If you follow Ashbourne Methodist Church & Circuit on Facebook, please feel free to like & share as you feel appropriate. We hope this will not only extend our own prayer life but that of those with whom we share. Thank you for your support.

Hopes & fears

Before our General Church Meeting, we would like to know about your hopes & dreams for when we move to our transformed buildings. We'd also like to hear any fears or concerns you may have. Please write them on a slip of paper & pop them in the box at Hilltop, email them to news@ashbournemethodist.org.uk or bring them on the 30th.

One Church Circuit representatives

At the General Church Meeting (GCM) we are looking to appoint 7 people from Ashbourne Methodist Church as representatives to the One Church Circuit from 1 September 2025. By the closing deadline only 6 names had been nominated. We therefore have one further representative to fill. If you are interested in supporting the ministry of Ashbourne Methodist Circuit by being a representative, please contact Revd Nicola by 6.30pm on Tuesday 29 April. If more than one person comes forward a ballot vote will be taken for who should fill the 7th gap by the members of the GCM.

General Church Meeting - Wednesday 30 April, Brailsford

Our annual General Church Meeting, which is open to everyone, will be held at Brailsford Chapel starting at 7.30pm, with refreshments from 7pm. The Link Team & Hub Planning Team will be available from 7pm for questions / explanation. The meeting will include the election of reps to our new One Church Council including people from all of the Circuit chapels. There will also be a chance to hear & engage with plans for The Link Centre, our new community hub in Ashbourne. Please lift-share if possible. If you need help finding a lift-sharer, please talk to Stuart Green (01335 300338) or Helen Barker (01335 300728).

Time for Prayer

This Thursday, as well as our usual wide range of prayer topics, we will focus our prayers on the Link. We meet at 9.30am in the small meeting room at St Oswald's church hall. Please join us for as long or short a time as you can.

May is Christianity Month!

Within the Ashbourne Circuit we will be offering different activities in different places. Please do use these as easy mission opportunities to invite friends, family, neighbours etc to discover faith in Jesus. Currently confirmed dates for your diaries:

Friday 2 May 7.30pm: A Home-Grown Poetry Evening at St Oswald's Church Hall.

Thursday 8 May 11.45am for midday: Fish & Chips Church at St Oswald's Hall for VE day. There will be a bit of a sing song & short prayers to remember the sacrifice of the many.

Friday 16 May 6-8pm: Tricks for Truth - using classic magic tricks to present the Christian gospel & refreshments at Brailsford Institute.

Thursday 22 May 7.30pm: Meet Mary at Brailsford Chapel, a play by Tracy Dawson.

Look out for more information in forthcoming Notices & the May Connections magazine. *The Outreach Forum*

A celebration of VE Day 1945 – 2025

At All Saints Church Brailsford. Exhibition of WW2 memorabilia. Our book launch: 'Memories of WW2 80 Years On'. Also on display will be our community Poppy Waterfall, floral decorations & The Holocaust 80 Candles Memorial Quilt by Every Stitch a Story.

Saturday 3 May 9.30am – 3.30pm: Osmaston Wind Band playing from 1.30pm.

Sunday 4 May 1pm- 3.30pm.

Monday 5 May 10.30am – 3.30pm: 2pm Bringing our family memories to life through words & music.

Refreshments available throughout. 'Together in Celebration' *Brailsford & Ednaston Churches Together*

Songs of Praise

At the next Afternoon Tea service on Sunday 4 May, we will be singing some of your favourite hymns. If you are attending & would like to suggest a hymn, please contact Tim Dutton. It would be even better if you could say why you have chosen it. If you don't want to read it out, just write it down & we can read it out on your behalf.

Muddy Church

10am-12pm on Sunday 11 May. Games, crafts & challenges for children from reception to school year 6 in a field near Kirk Ireton. *muddychurch@ashbournemethodist.org.uk*

Free Laptop

Acer Aspire V5. Fully refurbished, it has a 12" screen with Windows 10 & Office. Great for general use or taking to meetings. Small donation to Link project would be appreciated.

Contact *Gareth 07761 625940*

Cards at Cornerstone

I have had some of my paintings printed as cards, & Paul very kindly has been selling them in Cornerstone. They cost £1.50 each & are blank for any occasion. All profits go to The Leprosy Mission. Thank you to everyone who has bought a card in the past 6 months, I have been able to send a total donation of £63.50 to The Leprosy Mission so far. *Anne Payne*

Foodbank

The Foodbank has been open on the Bank Holiday, as there is always a need to be met. We appreciate all who manage to donate through the collection bins at Sainsburys, both Co-ops in Ashbourne, Aldi & M&S Waterside. We particularly need cereals, UHT milk, tea, coffee, tinned fruit, biscuits, tinned meat products (Not meatballs or curry!!). Thank you again for all donations, be they monetary or food. *Anne Payne*

Notices for the next Notice Sheet:

Please e-mail items to noticesamc@gmail.com, or phone David on 01335 343418 by noon on Thursday. Thank you.

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