

Welcome!

Sunday 10 January 2021	Worship at Home
9.50am 10to10  for school years 1-6	We suggest that we all worship at 10.30am on Sundays, so we continue to “gather” even if we are in our own homes. A video service is available on the Ashbourne Facebook page from 10.30am each Sunday. You do not need to register for Facebook to view the video. The videos are also on YouTube. Follow the links to either from the Church website. You can also use the worship sheet available on the Church website.
10.30am Worship at home  with Tim Dutton & Jeff Ffoulkes	
6.30pm Songs of Praise using a <i>Worship at Home sheet available on the website (see over)</i>	
6.30pm Mustard Youth Fellowship 	

The week ahead...	Sunday 17 January 2021
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During the current restrictions our Churches & Chapels are closed both for worship & private prayer. Most meetings will remain online for the foreseeable future. Many meetings currently take place on Zoom . Contact details for each meeting are given overleaf.

Monday 11 January
2pm Craft & Chat at home  - at 3.30pm
10.30am Housegroup 
7.30pm Housegroup 

Tuesday 12 January
10am kids@cornerstone at home -
join us for a story time online  Ashbourne

Wednesday 13 January
7.30pm Housegroup 

Thursday 14 January
9.30am Time for Prayer at home - *or* 
7.30pm Weekly Housegroup 
7.30pm Fortnightly Housegroup 

Saturday 16 January
10.30-11.30am Coffee Morning 
7pm Traveller's Tales 

9.50am 10to10  for school years 1-6
10.30am Worship at home  with Ruth Barratt & Gareth Rutledge
6.30pm Mustard Youth Fellowship 

Thought for the Week

Just before Christmas my son informed me that NASA had been in touch with the Voyager Space probe. Launched in 1977 & after visiting most of the outer planets, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus & Neptune, it flew on out of the Solar System. Adam told me it, at the time of writing, is over 14 billion miles from Earth. A signal was sent from Earth, basically saying, “Hello, are you alright?” The reply came back, “Yes, & here is some data I have collected”! That signal, at the speed of light, 186,000 miles a second (at that speed you would pass the moon in 1.5 seconds, Mars, would take 20 minutes, Jupiter 0.75 hours, Pluto, 8.25 hours), that day took 21 hours to get to the space probe, & the same to get back! It is estimated its next encounter with a star near its course at the present speed will be in 50,000 years! For all the pain our world is suffering, from Covid, etc, & circumstances may not want us to say “Happy New Year” at this time, it came to me no matter how distant that Voyager probe is we have a God, who a Psalmist once said of, “Where can I go from your spirit, Where can I flee from your presence”. Voyager maybe is expanding our view of the universe, but it makes me think as the Psalmist did, How much bigger is our God!

Tom Parkinson



Lockdown

Our Ashbourne & Brailsford churches are now closed for the time being. We continue to support our members & friends in many ways during these difficult days. Please let us know of any pastoral issues. *Rev Tim Morris*

This week's Zoom Hosts

If you want to know any more about any of the Zoom events listed overleaf please contact:

Coffee Morning – *Fiona 343011*

10to10 – *Stuart 300338*

Monday Morning Housegroup – *Gareth 418519*

Craft & Chat – *Clare 342321*

Monday Evening Housegroup – *Helen & Tony 343910*

Wednesday Housegroup – *Jenny & Eric 346155*

Thursday Weekly Housegroup – *Jeff 300443*

Thursday Fortnightly Housegroup – *Paul 07779241087*

Time for Prayer – *Lorraine 343174*

Family news

Those who remember going to Stanton Chapel before it closed may remember Sylvia Ward & her son Wilf & daughter Lesley attending. Sylvia passed away on 18 December, at Lesley's home, aged 101. Would those that knew the family think of them in their prayers.

Thank you. *Tom Parkinson*

We send our love & prayers to Margaret Wright's brother, Roger & his wife Janette, who are both ill with coronavirus.

We send our love & prayers to Geoff Buckley in hospital.

Please pray for Cathy Scott, Maureen Chacksfield's daughter, who is undergoing treatment in hospital following a stroke.

Congratulations to Jean Wathall who celebrates her 90th birthday on 13 January.

Congratulations to Kay & Barrie Orme, who are celebrating their Diamond Wedding Anniversary on 18 January.

Thanks

A big thank you to everyone who made or distributed hearts as part of our 'Cover our Community with love' project. They were received with joy by the people who found them.

Clare (on behalf of Craft & Chat)

Thank you to everyone who wrote, phoned or emailed us following the death of our son-in-law Kevin shortly before Christmas. Also, thank you for the flowers & card which Rev Tim brought round. It's wonderful being part of a church family at this sad time. *Margaret & Alan Wright*

Virtual Songs of Praise – 10 January 2021

With this Notice Sheet you have received the running order for the virtual service, with the usual links to hymns & songs on YouTube. The service sheet can also be downloaded from the website. This week's theme is New beginnings.

Next month it will be Love, fittingly on St Valentine's Day, so please let me have any suggestions by 6 February, sent to timdutton29@gmail.com. Keep on singing! *Tim Dutton*

Thought for the Week - We need your help!

Do you have an interesting thought on a relevant topic that you would like to share with others in our circuit? If so, could you write about 120 words to be included in the 'Thought for the Week' slot in the Notice Sheet please? I would love to hear from you. *Clare Sales 342321*

Travellers' Tales - see the world from the comfort of your armchair

Travellers' Tales will continue fortnightly on Saturdays at 7pm beyond through January & into February. On 16 January we will hear about Vietnam & Life in Belgium. Later we have Nepal, Austrian Tyrol, Korea & others to be arranged. The Zoom link will be sent in next week's email.

John Hurfurt

Connections

Most things may be in lockdown but Connections magazine is not! The deadline for the February 2021 edition is **Wednesday 20 January** so you have time to write an article telling us about what you have been doing, or your thoughts & ideas. Please send your contributions & photos to: dysters@tiscali.co.uk. If this is difficult for you, please phone 344086. Thank you. *Daphne & John Dyster*

Did you send or receive a handmade gift?

If so, Fiona would love to post a picture of it on the Craft & Chat Facebook page. No names will be included! Please email photos to Fiona or to noticesamc@gmail.com.

A Methodist Way of Life

Following on from the distribution with Membership Tickets of *A Methodist Way of Life* commitment cards, I commend to you the resources the Church has produced. *A Methodist Way of Life* is a way of living. It is how we try to live our lives in response to God's love, made known to us in Jesus.

Resources can be found here:

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/life-and-faith/a-methodist-way-of-life>

Hard copies of *A Brief Guide to a Methodist Way of Life* (which I hope you will find helpful & that it will become part of your Christian discipleship and discipline) & *Finding the Way* (a study guide to the Methodist Way of Life) have been sent to a number of people. They are also available here, together with *Preparing the Way* (which housegroups might like to look at:

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/life-and-faith/a-methodist-way-of-life/other-resources-for-a-methodist-way-of-life>

Rev Tim Morris

Foodbank – January Update

Desperately needed: UHT Milk, Toilet roll

Needed: Tinned meals, Tinned potatoes & (especially),

Tinned desserts (fruit etc), Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned soup, Cereals, size 4,5,6 nappies

Useful: Ready cooked pack of rice (microwave), Sandwich spread, Pot noodles

NOT needed: Tea, Coffee, Pasta, Beans, Biscuits & sweets

Rachel Murt

Circuit Notice Sheet – we need your contributions!

If you have something to share from anywhere in the circuit, please tell us! Contact details at the foot of the page.

DONATE

If you would like to support the work of Ashbourne

Methodist Church, you can make a donation online at https://platform.nationalfundingscheme.org/AMCGEN?charity=AMCGEN#.X_WOB9j7SM9 or give £5 by texting AMCGEN to 70970. Alternatively contact us regarding setting up a Standing Order, or for any other information.

Notices for the next Notice Sheet:

Please e-mail items to noticesamc@gmail.com, or phone 342321 by noon on Wednesday.

Thank you.