# FOUR OAKS METHODIST CHURCH

'We seek to be a beacon for Christ – Radiating the love of God through Worship, Word and Witness'

Notices for week commencing Sunday 26th January 2025



Let us be lost in your will, O God, lost in the doing of it, lost in the presence of your Spirit, lost in your redeeming love and lost in you forever. Amen. Mary Porteous, Primitive Methodist itinerant (1783-1861)

The floodlighting for the month of January is sponsored by Madeline Ballantine and family, in loving memory of Paul.

Sunday, 26th January			
10.30am	Mr Clive Thursfield		
	The Service will be held in the Large Hall.		
Flowers:	This week's flowers are sponsored by Netta Darke in memory of her husband Terry and son Andrew.		
Coffee:	After the service this morning the Ladies Friendship Club will be serving refreshments.		
	Please stay and join us.		
Midweek Service: Wednesday, 29th January			
10.30am	Mr Jack McGinnigle		
Sunday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> February			
10.30am	Mr Jack McGinnigle		
Coffee:	Flower Guild		

#### **Ken Brooks**

The Funeral Service of Ken Brooks will be taking place at Sutton Coldfield Crematorium on Friday 7th February at 1pm. Everyone is welcome. Please think of Mavis, Anne and David, and all of Ken's family and friends in your prayers at this time.

# **Men's Fellowship**

The next meeting will be on Friday 31st January in the Garden Room commencing at 7.30pm. Our speaker will be Rev Nick Jones. Deacon Marilyn has kindly agreed to cook us breakfast on Tuesday 4th February at 9.30 am in the Small Hall. Guests will be made very welcome to this scrumptious meal. John Rootham.

# "The Week"

"The Week" is a series of films exploring how climate change will affect us, and what we can do about it. The films will be screened on 3<sup>rd</sup> February and 7th February at 11am in the Bennett Lounge. Please consider attending. Soup and a roll will be provided. There is no charge for this event. Four Oaks Methodist Church Eco Group.

# Pound Stall and Coffee Morning

Our All-charities event is on Saturday 1st February and it's our coffee morning and pound stall. We are already collecting your lovely stuff and any unwanted Christmas presents! Please see Sue Stewart with anything you have to donate or you can leave them in her porch (53 Irnham Road).

#### Stamps

Thank you to everyone who has given me their used postage stamps. I have now sent off a large shoe box brimming with stamps to Stamp Out M.N.D. From a communication I received from the man who began this charity, since 2015 over £9500 has been raised, which is wonderful and I know will be put to very good use. Thank you all for your continued support, Julie Kirk.

#### Saturday Morning Drop In

At our church council it was agreed to stop the weekly mornings at the end of January. It has been a lovely set up since January 2019 with the obvious bump over the COVID period. A feeling of "mission completed" was discussed. There is now time and room for perhaps another chapter of outreach/ events in the mornings, weekly, monthly or otherwise. Thank you to all the volunteers who have joined in the journey and to the social group who attended along with our game's families.

#### **Monday Fellowship**

Everyone is welcome to join us for our meetings on a regular basis or just attend when you can. Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2pm Rev Nick Jones is talking on working with the homeless, do join us.

#### **The Messenger**

The Messenger will be available for collection from 2nd February.

#### Firm Roots Cancer Support Group

Firm Roots is a monthly support and prayer group for anyone affected by cancer, run by people who have also experienced cancer in some way. You can contact us to pray for you in confidence, or you are welcome to join us for prayer and support face to face. Email <u>cancerprayer@scbc.org.uk</u> for more

information. The next meeting is on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at Sutton Coldfield Baptist Church. Firm Roots national charity will be featured on Song of Praise on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February.



# **Weekly Activities**

Monday	2.00 pm	Monday Fellowship Group
	4.45 pm	Rainbows — term time
	6.00 pm	Brownies — term time
	7.00 pm	Cubs — term time
	7.30 pm	Guides — term time
Tuesday	6.00 pm	Beavers — term time
	7.30 pm	Ladies Friendship – 4 <sup>th</sup> February
Thursday	9.30 am	Baby & Toddlers
	7.30 pm	Scouts — term time
Friday	8.00 pm	FOCUS Explorer Scouts
	7.30 pm	Men's Fellowship — 31 <sup>st</sup> January
Saturday	10.00 am	Coffee Morning and Pound Stall
		– 1 <sup>st</sup> February

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