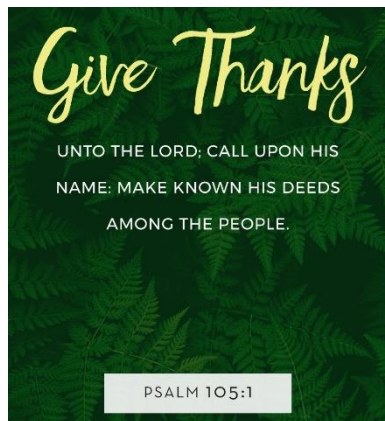


# FOUR OAKS METHODIST CHURCH

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

**Notices for week commencing  
Sunday 12th January 2025**



Dwell within us, O Christ, as we go about our work in quietness and peace; rejoice with us in the work you have given us to do; bless us in the love you have called us to share, and be present in the message you have summoned us to speak.

Isabella Gilmore, Pioneer Anglican deaconess (1842-1923)

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

## **Sunday, 12th January**

10.30am Mrs Kathryn Williams  
The Service will be held in the Large Hall.

Flowers: This week's flowers are sponsored by Jenny Simpson in memory of her husband John.

Coffee: After the service this morning the Carolyn & Bill Humpherson will be serving refreshments. Please stay and join us.

## **Midweek Service: Wednesday, 15th January**

10.30am Mrs Margaret Gardener

## **Sunday, 19th January**

10.30am Mr & Mrs Glyn & Angela Constantine

Coffee: Flower Guild

## **Services to be held in the Large Hall from 12th January**

Services will be held in the Large Hall from this Sunday until 23rd March 2025. This is due to the cold weather and the cost of heating the main Church. From Mothering Sunday 30th March, Services will return to being held in the main Church.

## **Four Oaks Methodist Church Council Meeting**

The next FOMC Council meeting is to be held in Church on Monday January 13th at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

## **Saturday Morning Drop In**

Saturday morning drop in will resume on Saturday 11th January at 10am. We hope to see you there!

## **Tearfund Toilet Twinning**

Toilet Twinning is an initiative which invites people to "twin" their own toilet with latrines in poor communities. This is a way of raising funds to enable people in the poorest nations to have clean water and a proper toilet, and to learn about hygiene. It is organised by Tearfund, a Registered Charity. We are delighted to report that one house group have already sponsored a toilet at the church. There are still five available to be "twinning" and we are inviting other church groups to consider sponsoring them. Please contact Peter Cashmore or any others of the Eco Group if interested.

THIS TOILET HAS BEEN  
**TWINNED**  
4th Sutton Coldfield Guides

WITH A LATRINE IN  
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**TOILET**  
**twinning**

1 in 4 people around the world don't have a toilet.  
By supporting Toilet Twinning you are helping to flush away poverty.  
Tearfund is a Registered Charity Number 265464 (England and Wales) and Number 30339284 (Scotland)

## **Ken Brooks**

Mavis informed us that Ken died earlier this week. They were so loyal and caring for the Church and Kingdom for many decades. Service details to follow.

## **“The Week”**

Recently, it’s been hard not to notice how fast the climate is changing and the disastrous effects that this is having in various parts of the world. Experts say it will get worse rapidly. “The Week” is a series of films exploring how this will affect us, in the next 10, 20 or 30 years and what we can do about it. “The Week” will not tell us what to do but will empower us to make up our own minds so that we can say down the line: I knew what I needed to know, and I did what I needed to do.

The dates when the films will be screened are 31st January, 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.

## **The Messenger**

The next Messenger will be available for collection for Pastoral Visitors from outside the church office from Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

## **Food Bank**

Please consider giving to the Food Bank. We have a box in the reception area for donations to Birmingham City Mission. Do you have any non-perishable food items you left over from Christmas or unwanted toiletry gifts that could be donated?

## Weekly Activities

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| 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 Club                     |
| Thursday | 9.30 am  | Baby & Toddlers                            |
|          | 7.30 pm  | Scouts — term time                         |
| Friday   | 8.00 pm  | FOCUS Explorer Scouts                      |
| Saturday | 10.00 am | Saturday Morning Drop In<br>— Table Tennis |



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