

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 October 2025**



*The floodlighting for the month of October is
sponsored by Netta Darke, in loving memory of her
son Andrew and husband Terry.*

Sunday, 12th October

- 10.30am Rev John Rowe – Church Anniversary
- Flowers: This week's flowers are sponsored by June
Ellery in memory of her husband Les and
parents.
- Coffee: After the service this morning the Nodding
Fellowship will be serving refreshments.
Please stay and join us.

Midweek Service: Wednesday, 15th October

- 10.30am Rev Nick Jones

Sunday, 19th October

- 10.30am Mr & Mrs Glyn & Angela Constantine
- Coffee: Action for Children

Action For Children

Sunday 19th October is our Action for Children Sunday. The service led by Angela and Glynn Constantine will be based on the work done by the charity. We will also have a speaker who will give us a brief talk and a film about their work. Envelopes will be in the pews and we would ask you to be as generous as possible to support the much needed work that the Charity does.

Many thanks, Audrey Rootham and Ann Eite.

Christmas Tree Festival

This Advent, Four Oaks Methodist Church is hosting a Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday 6th December, 10am–12pm, and we'd love Church & House Groups to take part by decorating a tree. You will need:

- An artificial tree (any size – or borrow one from us)
- Decorations (homemade or shop-bought)
- Optional: battery lights (don't forget batteries!)

Decorate your tree to reflect your group or choose a fun theme. After the festival, you're welcome to take your tree back or leave it on display at church through Christmas. Please let a steward know by Thursday 6th November what size tree you'll bring (or if you'd like to borrow one). More details soon.



TIME4BRUM

CITYWIDE CHURCH CELEBRATION

**Sunday 19th October 2025
6PM FOR 6:30PM**

Mount Zion Community Church (MZZC)
70 Thomas St, Birmingham B6 4TN



A Call to Unity in Christ

Churches across Birmingham are gathering as **one body**
— across denominations, cultures, and generations
— to celebrate the ministry of Jesus in our city.

"That they may be one..." – John 17:21

Come and Be Part of It

- Bring your church family
- Join leaders and believers from across the city
- Celebrate our unity in Christ
- Bring an offering to support the work of Time4Brum

Together we are stronger.

Together we are one Church in Birmingham.

Hosted by:
Time4Brum Core Team at Mount Zion Community Church

Love in a Box






We're pleased to support the Love in a Box project with Mustard Seed again this year. Please take a leaflet and a wrapped box from the front of church if you'd like to join in. All completed shoeboxes need to be at church on or before 2nd November so that they can be blessed prior to beginning their journey to Moldova. Many thanks, Julie Kirk.



Winter Changeover to Large Hall

Due to the cold weather Sunday Services will be held in the Large Hall from 26th October until Mothering Sunday, 15th March 2026.

However during Advent Services will be held in the main Church Sanctuary from Sunday 30th November 2025 up until Covenant Sunday on 4th January 2026.



FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
(Join us at 2nd session on 7th November)
1030 am to 12 noon

THE PATH TO PEACE?

Bernard Salter speaks on
EXPLORING SPIRITUALITY IN MUSIC

In a troubled world, how can we find peace of mind?
Does music have healing powers? Can it help to promote peace between nations?
What use is religion? Does it have a future in the 21st century?
What is 'secular spirituality'?

Dr Bernard Salter is an Anglican priest and church musician who has thought long and hard about such issues and who wishes to share his thoughts and conclusions. In short (he believes) we need to re-examine our assumptions about 'God' and the purpose of human life. We can be helped in this by music and other creative arts which can foster a sense of 'spiritual' realities.

Come and hear Bernard's lectures at
Sutton Coldfield United Reformed Church
B73 6AA
The sessions will include listening to music, both live and recorded.

The Revd David Walton, minister of Sutton URC writes:-
Bernard is an inspiring organist, and we congratulate him on his recent PhD from the University of Durham. He has done some fascinating research in the area of 'Music & Spirituality', topics which have occupied most of his life, going back to his time as a choirboy in Chester Cathedral. I have seen some of his material and I know that he has delved deeply into issues related to faith in today's world. I commend this series of talks to all members of our churches.

Regular Activities

Monday	2.00 pm	Monday Fellowship
	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	1.15 pm	Luncheon Club – 21 st October
	6.00 pm	Beavers — term time
	7.30 pm	Ladies Friendship – 21 st October
Wednesday	2.00 pm	Flower Guild – 5 th November
Thursday	9.30 am	Baby & Toddlers – term time
	7.30 pm	Scouts — term time
Friday	7.30 pm	Men's Fellowship – 31 st October
	8.00 pm	FOCUS Explorer Scouts

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God of justice, open our ears to hear as you do, open our hearts to care as you do, open our lips to speak as you do, that we may offer our voices for those who are silenced, whatever their language, land or lot, and so may your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Amen.
Jennifer Hurd, District Chair, Wales Synod Cymru