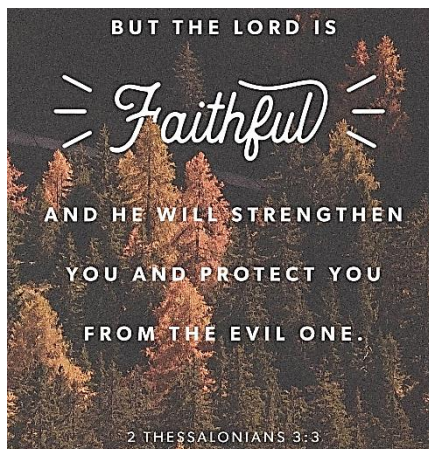


FOUR OAKS METHODIST CHURCH

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

**Notices for week commencing
Sunday 23rd November 2025**



The floodlighting for the month of November is sponsored by Peter Johansen, in loving memory of Sverre and Synnove Johansen, John Keogh and Paul Johansen.

Sunday, 23rd November

10.30am Mrs Kathryn Williams

Service held in the Large Hall

Flowers: This week's flowers are sponsored by Margaret Thomas, in memory of John her husband.

Coffee: After the service this week Junior Church will be serving refreshments.
Please stay and join us.

Midweek Service: Wednesday, 26th November

10.30am Mrs Terese Rutherford

Sunday, 30th November

10.30am Rev Nick Jones – Holy Communion

Service held in the main Church

Coffee: TBC

Winter Changeover to Large Hall

From next Sunday 30th November 2025 services will return to the Church Sanctuary. Please wrap up warm with an extra layer of clothing. Services will be back in the large hall from 11th January – 15th March 2026.

Job Vacancy – Caretaker

Four Oaks Methodist Church is seeking a dedicated, proactive Caretaker for a part-time role of 15 hours per week. Duties include supervising contract cleaners, welcoming visitors, carrying out routine maintenance and repairs, and ensuring our building meets all health & safety and safeguarding requirements. A DBS check will be required. Full job description and salary are available on request. Please send a CV to 4oaksmc@gmail.com.

Celebrating John Rutter at 80- A Birthday Tribute

Monday 24th November, 7:30pm at The Royal Sutton Coldfield Town Hall. Presented by Sutton Coldfield Chamber Choir. Tickets cost £15 and are available via the Town Hall website.

Appeal for Mince Pies

We welcome donations of boxed mince pies for our Christmas events. Please ensure the use-by date is after 24th December. Thank you for your support.

The Messenger

The December/January Messenger will be available for collection by Pastoral Visitors from Sunday 30th November.

Phyllis Wood

We are saddened to share that our dear friend Phyllis Wood has passed away. Phyllis was deeply loved, and her warmth and kindness touched many in our church family. Her funeral will be held on 17th December at 2.30pm at Sutton Crematorium, and all who knew and loved her are warmly invited to attend as we give thanks for her life. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers.

Charity Christmas Card Tree

The charity Christmas card tree will be in place in church from Sunday 30th November. This year, donations will go to The Motor Neurone Association. We have experienced, first hand, this devastating and life limiting disease in our church family. Both John Nodding and Terry Jeffries were diagnosed with MND and we witnessed the terrible effects it had on them and their family. We treasure the friendship we shared with them both over many years. My husband, Terry, and I have another close friend who has just been diagnosed with MND. Although there is not a cure, we know the MND association offer incredible support to all those who are suffering from MND.

If you wish to donate, please give online to the church account, marking your gift "Christmas card tree." Sort code: 40-21-17 Account number: 81005561. If you can Gift Aid (online or cash), please complete a Gift Aid envelope and place it in the donation box.

Cash donations can also be placed there. This is a lovely way to share Christmas greetings with one card while supporting a worthwhile charity. Thank you for your support. Diane Forsythe.



Christmas Tree Festival

Saturday 6th December, 10am–12 noon. Groups may decorate their trees on Friday 5th December from 7pm. You're welcome to bring your undecorated tree to church beforehand for storage and labelling. We already have eight trees. If your group needs any help, please speak to a steward.

Helping Hands

The stewards are seeking volunteers to help with setting up, catering, greeting, and tidying at the Christmas Tree Festival. All offers of help are greatly appreciated. Christmas jumpers or Santa hats are warmly encouraged!

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 – 25 th November
	6.00 pm	Beavers — term time
	7.30 pm	Ladies Friendship – 2 nd December
Wednesday	2.00 pm	Flower Guild – 3 rd December
Thursday	9.30 am	Baby & Toddlers – term time
	7.30 pm	Scouts — term time
Friday	7.30 pm	Men's Fellowship – 28 th November
	8.00 pm	FOCUS Explorer Scouts

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To our calling, O God, grant your blessing, to our souls your strength, to our suffering your fortitude, to our darkness your light, to our faith your joy.

Amen.

Benjamin Rhodes, Methodist Itinerant (1743-1815)