

The Broadsheet

Broadway URC



February/March 2025



To know Jesus better and to make Him better known

Tree Festival and Advent Window

These were very well received by both the local community and by many visitors who had travelled long distances for the late night shopping. Hopefully if there are sufficient volunteers we will repeat them this year.

Christmas Collection for St Basils

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this, a sum in the region of £500 was raised.

The money will be used to provide help and accommodation for young people in Evesham. You can find out about the work they do on www.stbasils.org.uk

Solo on Sunday SOS

There may be some new folk who are unsure what SOS is all about. Every so often we cook a Sunday lunch at church for those who would normally go home to eat alone. We have been unable to arrange to do this for some time BUT now we feel it will be possible again.

So we are inviting anyone on their own for Sunday lunch to join us on 9th February. We will need to know numbers by 2nd February at the latest. It will be a 2 course meal with drinks and coffee and the cost will be £6.50 again. We hope to welcome friends old and new.

Sue Jones

Church in Society

Thank you also to those who contributed small wrapped Christmas Gifts for for the Evesham refugees. They were very well received.

At our recent committee meeting it was decided after many years we would no longer organise a street collection during Christian Aid Week. More and more people are donating on-line and returns no longer warrant the considerable work required at a time of scarce resources. A big thank you to the Hardings for all their organisation of the street collection over the last two years. Instead the main focus now will be to fund raise at our Mini-Market on the morning of May 17th. Our own church CAW collection will take place as usual on the Sundays at the beginning and end of CA Week.

On 8th March, the 'Christian Aid Changemakers' Conference will be linked on line. For further information see the CA website or the CIS notice board in the church foyer.

Ann Walters

LYCIG

At the Church Meeting on Sunday 19th January Sue and Maggie talked about their experience of Leading Your Church Into Growth. Those attending were asked to give their thoughts about our church and any possible future plans for it. We agreed that our church needs to grow so any ideas would be welcome! We prayed the following prayer together and invite you all to join in.

The LYCIG Prayer

God of Mission

Who alone brings growth to your Church

Send your Holy Spirit to give

Vision to our planning,

Wisdom to our actions,

Joy to our worship,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers, In
spiritual commitment to you
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

Rev Major James Hardy

Talk on 29th January in the church hall at 2.30 for 3 with refreshments
“Life in the army as a Christian Padre” What is army chaplaincy? Faith in the front
line.

James is the son of Sue and Roger and this sounds like a fascinating talk. Please try
to attend and invite your friends.

Lenchwood

Have you heard about Lenchwood? I have recently received a newsletter
from them and thought you might be interested. Lenchwood is a Christian
Centre set in 120 acres of beautiful farmland above the Vale of Evesham: a
perfect location for camps, conferences, retreats and holidays. Their next
open day is on Saturday 15th March. www.lenchwood.org.uk

Focus on an outreach activity

A few people have said to me recently that they don't come to Boardom
Busters because they don't know what it is! Boardom Busters has been
running on the first Tuesday of every month since August 2023 and is
announced the Sunday before in case you forget. We start at 2pm with
tea/coffee so you can have a chat and choose a game to play. We have a
wide variety or you can bring your own. At 3pm we break for tea/coffee and
this time homemade cake to help you answer a written quiz – group activity
unless you are really competitive and want to do it on your own. We finish
about 4pm. Please tell your friends and neighbours about it or even better
come and try it yourself.

Christine Browne

Services for February and March

Sunday services start at 10.30 and everyone is invited to stay for refreshments in the hall after the service.

February

Duty Elder Marilyn Watts

2nd Rev Mary Austin, communion and Methodist covenant service

9th Jo Williamson

16th Rev Iain McClaren

23rd Worship group 1

March

Duty Elder Christine Browne

2nd TBA

9th Michael Watts

16th Rev Iain McClaren

23rd Rev David Lawrence and communion

30th Rev Kathryn Louch

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