

DETAILS OF FORTHCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

26 October	Woodhouse	10.30 am	Rev Debora Marschner (Holy Communion) Evening Bible Fellowship
2 November	Handsworth	10.30 am 6.30 pm	Mrs Faith Magowan Evening Bible Fellowship
9 November	Woodhouse	10.30 am	Remembrance Ecumenical Service in the Square
16 November	Handsworth	10.30 am	Ms C Muzondo
Saturday 22 November	Woodhouse	12.15 pm	Holy Communion in the Garden
23 November	Handsworth	10.30 am	Mr J Young
30 November	Handsworth	10.30 am	Rev Debora Marschner (Holy Communion)

NB: Also available to Live Stream on YouTube when the morning service is at Handsworth.

Search for 'Handsworth Woodhouse Methodist Church'

Church website address: www.handsworthmethodist.org.uk

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Lord God, you have promised to keep and sustain us.
Help us to trust you for all that we need;
To know that our times are in your hands;
To be ready to welcome both closed doors and new directions
And to be faithful to our calling,
Knowing that you will provide what we need,
As long as we need it, for your name's sake. Amen

If you know of any special event, anything of special interest or concern or any new item which you would like added to the greeting, please pass the information to Christine Jackson, tel: 2695263; email: cmj.rhj.42@gmail.com or Lesley Richardson tel: 2696954 or email: lesley_richardson7@btinternet.com

HANDSWORTH WOODHOUSE METHODIST CHURCH



**Keep praying and never be discouraged
Luke 18: 1 - 8**

Sunday 19th October 2025

**10.30 am – Service at Handsworth led by
Mrs Carol Wignell**

**Everyone is welcome to worship. We hope that
you will enjoy sharing in worship with us and
we invite you to join us on other occasions.**

Weekly Diary:			
Monday	20 October	10.00 am – 11.30 am	Heart of Knitting at Woodhouse – new knitters or beginners welcome!
Tuesday	21 October	6.30 pm – 7.30 pm	Girls' Brigade at Handsworth
Thursday	24 October	3.30 pm – 5.00 pm 7 - 8 pm	Lego Club at Woodhouse Bereavement Support at Woodhouse
Friday	25 October	8.30 am – 9.30 am 11.30 am 6.45 pm	Prayer Group at Handsworth Lunch Club 'Food for Body and Soul' at Handsworth Boys' Brigade at Handsworth
Saturday	26 October	10.00 am – 12.00 pm 10.00 am – 12.00 pm	Coffee Morning at Woodhouse Coffee Corner at Handsworth

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: Monthly peer support group to talk about life, loss and grief. Meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be on Thursday 20 November. Please contact Rev Debora Marschner for more information. A Book of Remembrance has been opened at Woodhouse for anyone who would like to add a loved one's name to this.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING: At Woodhouse on Thursday 23 October, 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm. Please could all Church Council members attend?

CHURCH CLEANING AT HANDSWORTH: The next cleaning date is Wednesday 22 October. Please note that due to lettings, the November cleaning date has been cancelled.

HARVEST PROJECT 2025: The local charity **Roundabout** is committed to ending youth homelessness in South Yorkshire. The charity's aim is to empower young people, aged between 16 and 25, to break the cycle of homelessness by helping them develop long-term independent living skills. Please hand in any monies collected to Jean Wild.

SUNDAY EVENING BIBLE FELLOWSHIP: In future, this will meet at Handsworth on the first Sunday in the month. We really welcome and encourage everyone to join us!

PRAYER TREE: If you would like prayer for anyone or anything in particular, please write them on the Prayer Tree at the back of the church at Handsworth (ask a steward

or a church member to point you in the right direction). These items will brought to God in prayer at the prayer group on Friday mornings.

PRAYER STICKS: There are prayer sticks planted in a trough at Handsworth, placed on a pedestal at the front of church for anyone to put a name on.

HARVEST SUPPER: Thank you to all who attended the Harvest Supper on the 4th October. An enjoyable evening was had by all and we managed to raise £120 for our current harvest project, Roundabout. Thanks also go to Bonds for supplying us with delicious pies!

FOODBANK: If you have anything to donate, there is a plastic box at the back of the church at Handsworth and at Woodhouse. If you are unable to get to church, Chris Turner would be happy to collect. Please contact him on 07742974484. All items donated should be in date. Thank you in advance for all contributions.

JAM JARS WANTED: Clean, empty jam jars for the community allotment. Please leave them at Woodhouse by the food bank box. Thank you.

The Presidents of Churches Together in England have issued the following statement:

As leaders of Christian Churches in this country, we wish to express our deep concern that in the recent rally "Unite the Kingdom," and in other places, use has been made, by some, of the symbols and words of the Christian faith to support views and attitudes actually opposed to their message. In contrast, we wish to state clearly some of the key messages of our shared faith that are a crucial contribution to the well-being of all people in our lands.

The Cross of Christ reveals God's overwhelming and unconditional love for every single human being. The Cross calls us to love our land and its communities and to serve its well-being. But, equally, we are called to love members of other nations too. The Cross and the Gospel of Christ must never be co-opted to support the messages that breed hostility towards others. Its message never legitimises rejection, hatred or superiority towards people of other cultures.

Our prayers are asked for ALL who are sick, housebound, in community homes or hospitals, those with special needs and the people of Brigadier Hargreaves Court, Cardwell Estate, Keyworth Place, Penrose Place, Corwen Place, Southsea Road, Wolverley Road and all who work in the Medical Centre. We give thanks for the community of Handsworth and this week we pray for those who live on Clifton Lane, Avenue and Crescent, Lound Road, Handsworth Crescent, Houstead Road, Handsworth Avenue, Willow Drive Larch Hill and Alder Lane, Chestnut Avenue and Maple Grove.