

DETAILS OF FORTHCOMING SERVICES DURING AUGUST

3 August	Handsworth	10.30 am	Mr John Young
10 August	Woodhouse	10.30 am	Ms Charity Muzondo
17 August	Handsworth	10.30 am	Mr Michael Gagan
24 August	Woodhouse	10.30 am	Mr John Young
31 August	Handsworth	10.30 am	Rev Debora Marschner
	Chesterfield Central Methodist	3.00 pm	District Service/ Welcome Service for District Chair Rev Vicky Atkins
7 September	Handsworth	10.30 am	Rev Romeo Pedro
NB: When the morning service is at Handsworth it will be available to Live Stream on YouTube: Search under YouTube for 'Handsworth Woodhouse Methodist Church'			

Summer Splendour

By the breadth of the blue that shines in silence over me,
By the length of the mountain lines that stretch before me,
By the height of the cloud, that sails with rest in motion,
Over the plains and vales to the measureless ocean,
By the faith that the wild flowers show when they bloom unbidden,
By the courage of the bird's light wings on the long migration,
Teach me how to confide, and love my life, and rest.

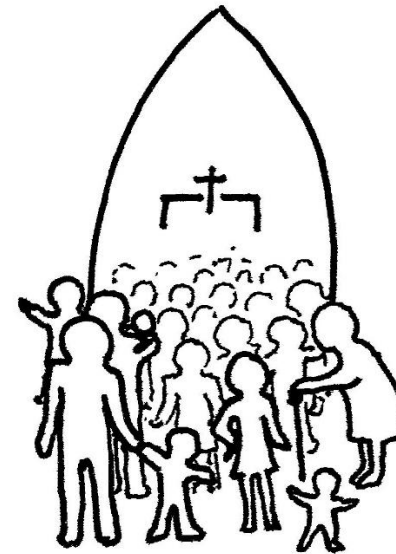
For the comforting warmth of the sun that my body embraces,
For the cool of the waters that run through shadowy places,
For the balm of the breezes that brush my face with their fingers,
For the evening hymn of the thrush when twilight lingers,
For the long breath, the deep breath, the breath of the heart without care –
I will give thanks and adore you, God of the open air.

Henry van Dyke (1852 – 1933)

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HANDSWORTH WOODHOUSE METHODIST CHURCH



Notice sheet for the whole of August 2025

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

Weekly Diary:			
Monday	4 August 11 August 18 August	10.00 am – 11.30 am	Heart of Knitting at Woodhouse – new knitters or beginners welcome! (Please note that there will be no group on Bank Holiday Monday 25 August)
Thursday	Please check with Robert or Christine Jackson for dates	3.30 pm – 5.00 pm	Lego Club at Woodhouse
Saturday	2 August 9 August 16 August 23 August 30 August	10.00 am – 12.00 pm	Coffee Morning at Woodhouse and Coffee Corner at Handsworth

The following groups will resume in September:		
Girls' Brigade	Handsworth	Tuesday 9 September 6.15 pm – 7.30 pm
Bereavement Support	Woodhouse	Thursday 18 September 7.00 pm – 8.00 pm
Prayer Group	Handsworth	Friday 5 September 8.30 am – 9.30 am
Friday Lunch Club	Handsworth	Friday 5 September 11.30 am
Boys' Brigade	Handsworth	Friday 5 September 6.45 pm

THREADS THROUGH THE CROSS: At the Sheffield Cathedral from 7 August to 22 September. Suffering and Splendour: sacred stories told through more than a million silk stitches. This wonderfully bright and graphic exhibition, reimagines key moments in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus, told through millions of silk stitches across eighteen, three metre high tapestries. For more details visit: www.sheffieldcathedral.org All are welcome – free entry, suggested donations £5 per person or £10 per family.

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!

HARVEST SUPPER: Pea and pie supper and quiz night. This will be held at Handsworth on Saturday 4 October at 7.00 pm. Cost £6.00 per person. Please could you let Ann Lyons or Lesley Richardson know if you would like to attend? Thank you.

CLEANING AT HANDSWORTH: The next cleaning date is Wednesday 24 September.

NOTICES DURING AUGUST: Please hand any notices to one of the stewards to be read out in church.

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; email: lesley_richardson7@btinternet.com

Amy has a cobbler's last on her shelf. It's an iron form on which shoes would have been made in times gone by. It belonged to her great-great grandad.

A country boy, he had taken a job in an iron foundry to provide for his family. In a time before health and safety, the job left him disabled. Walking on artificial legs, he then earned his income making shoes for other people.

"When I feel things are tough," Amy told me, "the last is a reminder that our families often had it much tougher in the past. Because they got through it, we are here. And we will get through this too."

Supermarket music doesn't usually capture my attention, it's not normally that good. But I had been humming along to this classic for a few seconds before I realised it. Then I saw the girl, aged about 7 or 8. She was following her mum between the aisles and dancing along to "Someday We'll Be Together" by Diana Ross and the Supremes. She had most likely never heard the sixty-something-year-old tune before, but you wouldn't have known it from her graceful moves. Now, I wouldn't be foolish enough to suggest that any generation's music is better than – or would outlast – any other generation's, but it was a beautiful moment!

As much as I do love Diana's early recordings, I am going to save my praise for that thing – that spirit – in humanity that, generation after generation, has us dancing and singing!