



Sapcote Methodist Church
Monthly Newsletter April 2026

Mission Statement

Look to God...Learn from God...Love like God...

Memory Verse

Psalm 119 Verse 105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.

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sapcotemethodistchurch.co.uk

Services for April 2026

DATE	TIME	SERVICE	LED BY
Sunday 5th	6.30am	Sunrise & HC	Rev'd Edward Sakwe
Sunday 5th	10.30am		Sheila Grice
Sunday 12th	10.30am		Colin Haddon
Sunday 19th	10.30am	Holy Communion	Rev'd Edward Sakwe
Sunday 26th	10.30am		Elizabeth Wright
Sunday 26th	4.00pm	Roots	Elizabeth Wright

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Reception Service

We had a lovely service to welcome
Mel, Carolyn and Liezl



Maundy Thursday

We have received the following invitation from the Leadership Team at Burbage Methodist Church.

On Maundy Thursday, 2nd April, we will be holding a service at Burbage, which will include Holy Communion, at 7pm led by Colin Haddon. We would like to extend a warm welcome to anyone from Sapcote who would like to join us for this service.

Afternoon Teas

2.30pm to 4.30pm

Thursdays

Cup of tea/ coffee, a piece of cake and plenty of chatter!

Please Note there will be no Afternoon Teas on 2nd and 9th April



Easter Day

April 5th

We have two services.

Sunrise Service at 6.30am which will include Holy Communion and will be led by Rev'd Edward Sakwe.

Followed with breakfast.

Our 10.30am Service will be led by Sheila Grice.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life”



Craft Club

The Craft Club meets on Tuesday afternoons 1.30pm to 3pm.

Bring a craft along to do, enjoy a piece of homemade cake and a cuppa all for £2.

Everyone Welcome.

Speak to Mary Eales or Isobel for more information.

Cafe Worship

Wednesday 8th April
7pm to 9pm

Meal, discussions, worship and more!



Refresh

Sunday 12th April

A relaxed afternoon service at Burbage Methodist Church,
Windsor Street, Burbage, LE10 2EF

Second Sunday of each month at 4pm

Followed with a bite to eat and drink.



Kingdom Builders



Monday 20th April

5pm to 6.30pm

**Includes: Light Meal
Puppets
Lego Challenges**

All are welcome!

Hinckley Area Foodbank

Our Food Bank collection point is outside 18 Mill Close if anyone wishes to make a donation.

Other donation points exist including The Vine Christian Book Shop and Cameo Cafe at the Stoke Golding Methodist Church.

Fish and Chip Supper and Quiz

Please come along!

Bring a team!

Join a team!



Sapcote Methodist Church

Invites You To

QUIZ NIGHT

WITH FISH & CHIPS

AND A RAFFLE

Saturday 25th April

7:00pm

£12.50 a ticket

Tickets are available for purchase until 18th April

Enquire by Barbara Williams

07817 454819

Roots

Sunday 26th April at 4pm

Special Guest - John Moore



Worship in a relaxed way at



ROOTS is held on the **4th Sunday each month** at **Sapcote Methodist Church**.

We start at **4pm** with **coffee** (and tea) **cookies** (and cake).

- There is a live band with contemporary upbeat songs and a prayer time
- We have a story from one of several puppets and a speaker
- Every session we have 'ice-breakers'
- Some months we have a testimony slot

What do others think of ROOTS ...

Not stuffy, great music and fun

A safe place to find HOPE

SPRING
Sing Praise Rejoice In the Name of God

Give us a try this month and see for yourself!

If you want to know more information then please contact **Keith or Elizabeth** on **07708 120 362**. We would love to have you worship with us.

The Methodist Church



Christian Aid Quiz

Hinckley & Bosworth Christian Aid group have issued their annual quiz, copies of which can be found in the Link. Please put your money in the black money box provided. It costs £1 and if you wish to be entered for a prize, returned forms must be with me by Sunday 19th April. I will try and get the answers but these will not be available until the beginning of May, after the Christian Aid Fayre on the 2nd May. Thank you for supporting Christian Aid.

Gill Spatcher

Data Protection and Personal contact information

The church keeps personal contact details for all members and friends so that we are able to contact you regarding church business. It is important that the information we hold is accurate and up to date, as required by the General Data Protection Regulations. All personal information is kept secure and is only used to contact you regarding church business. Everyone should have completed a “Data Collection Form”. The original forms were completed in 2021 with pastoral visitors. These forms contain your name and preferred method of contact such as address, phone number, email address.

If any of these contact details have changed since the form was completed or if you are unsure what is on the form, please speak to me and your form can be updated.

Some newer members or friends may not have completed one of these forms. Please speak to me or email me and I will give you a form to complete.

Thank you

Christine Grantham

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Data Champion/GDPR Lead

Annual Church Meeting

Advance Notice

The Annual Church Meeting will take place on Sunday 10th May at 1pm, after the United service with All Saints Church.

All are welcome.

Please put the date in your diary.

There will be more information in next month's Newsletter.

Christine Grantham
Secretary to Church Council

The Methodist church aspires to a target of NETZERO by 2030 and is currently supported by a charity called A ROCHA, a Christian environmental charity. The Charity provides a framework to support churches to take practical action on caring for God's earth, through the Eco church survey. The survey covers five key areas of church life which are:

1. **Worship & Teaching**
2. **Buildings**
3. **Land**
4. **Community & Engagement**
5. **Lifestyle**

Our circuit would like each church to work towards A ROCHA's bronze award in the first instance. We have done an initial assessment and were surprised at how much we already contributed towards care of the environment, such as our current recycling efforts, engagement with the community and aspects of worship. However, we still have more to do and have a few ideas for the future. We plan to have a buildings energy audit and aim to keep you informed on a regular basis via this newsletter. For more information, please see the A ROCHA poster on the noticeboard or speak to your Eco-church Champions. In the meantime, the food waste recycling scheme which is being introduced by Blaby Council, will help the church become more eco-friendly and we encourage everyone who uses the kitchen to make use of the dedicated recycling bins.

Gill and Angie

Sapcote Eco-church Champions

The Vine

Our world book day celebrations continue in our "limited offers" section - titles reduced from £10-15 to just £1 and £2. Ask a member of staff for more details or where to find these on our shelves.

If you are interested in joining our wonderful volunteers and supporting the Christian and local community of our town, please get in touch. Whether a couple of hours on the till and making drinks or helping with food orders and light kitchen duties, we would love to hear from you. Please note our closure over Easter: we will be closing at the end of the day on Tuesday 31st March and reopen on Wednesday 8th April.

From the staff and volunteers at The Vine we wish you all a very Happy Easter, we hope you enjoy and share in the love and hope the season brings.

Grace

Open the Book

Please consider joining us!

Open the Book is a project run by the Bible Society which presents the Bible in primary schools in an accessible way. The stories are told in ways which enable the children to engage imaginatively with the text. They are presented during Collective Worship using a variety of storytelling methods, costumes and props.

We have a team in Sapcote and Sharnford and we go into the 2 primary schools once a fortnight. We begin with the “Open the Book” song which most of the children now know really well. There is then a brief introduction to ensure that each story is placed in context then we open the book and act out the story. This usually involves some of the children taking part. All of the stories are scripted so we are reading from the book. After the story there is a short conclusion and time for guided reflection. This gives the children time to reflect on some aspect of the story or something which related directly to them and their friends. This is followed by a short prayer and a song. This takes about 15 minutes.

We deliver the first session at Sharnford then go to Sapcote and repeat the session.

We currently have a team of 7 people but unfortunately one member will be leaving next term. We really need more volunteers to help with this project. At present I am the only member from Sapcote Methodist Church; the others are from All Saints and Sharnord. It would be lovely to have more people from our church joining us.

The time commitment is small - 2 hours on a Wednesday morning once a fortnight during term time (usually 6 sessions per term) plus a short planning meeting once a term. Not everyone can be there at every session due to holidays, family commitments or illness and if we have more people in the team, not everyone is needed every week so you may only do 4 or 5 sessions per term.

Please consider joining our Open the Book team. It really is rewarding.

If you would like to find out more, or come along and observe one of our sessions, please speak to me.

Christine Grantham

Community Voices Ladies Choir IN CONCERT



**Saturday 27 June
7-9pm at Sapcote
Methodist Church**

LEICESTER ROAD, SAPCOTE, LE9 4JE

Tickets available on the door
£6 Adults / Children FREE

Proceeds: £1 from each ticket to LOROS and the remainder divided between church organ and choir funds.

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AND RAFFLE



COMMUNITY VOICES Ladies Choir
is a locally based ladies choir performing a variety of uplifting songs, including songs from well known popular shows.

Future Events

Saturday 2nd May	Big Breakfast
Saturday 6th June	PTA Summer Festival
Saturday 27th June	Community Ladies Choir Concert
Tuesday 30th June	Hinckley Community Choir Concert
Saturday 4th July	Sapcote Summer Festival
Mon 4th to Fri 7th August	Church Holiday Club
Saturday 5th September	Church Family BBQ
Saturday 10th October	Bloom Group Fundraiser
Saturday 14th November	Craft Fair
Saturday 28th November	Afternoon Tea with entertainment