Hinckley **Methodist** Church

NOTICES FOR NOVEMBER

Sunday worship at 10.30 am

November 1st	**Morning Worship led by Rev Andrew Lomax**
November 8th	**Service of Remembrance led by Charles Davies**
November 15th	**Service of Holy Communion led by Rev Edward Sakwe**
November 22nd	**Morning Worship led by Colin Haddon**
November 29th	**CIRCUIT SERVICE AT HINCKLEY**
December 6th	**Whitechapel Gift Service led by Nigel Roberts**

All are welcome to attend our services. Tea and coffee are provided after the service in the lower schoolroom and this offers a welcome opportunity for a chat with new and old friends. This monthly notice sheet provides details of all our weekly activities, daily prayers and information about our church and community.



This month we begin our preparation for Christmas Please see the details of the Shoe Boxes to be sent to Operation Christmas Child, the Christmas Festival and the Whitechapel Gift Service. We hope you will come and share in the joy of celebration and share with us in offering Christmas gifts to those less fortunate.

	Calendar for November
Saturday October 31st	10am Coffee Morning
Sunday November 1st	10.30am Morning Worship
Tuesday November 3rd	6.25pm Community Choir
Saturday November 7th	10am Coffee Morning
Sunday November 8th	10.30am Morning Worship
Tuesday November 10th	2.00pm Ladies Guild
Wednesday Nov 11th	7.00pm Talk on Bayeux Tapestry
Saturday November 14th	10am Coffee Morning
Sunday November 15th	10.30am Morning Worship
Tuesday November 17th	6.25pm Community Choir
Saturday November 21st	10am Coffee Morning
Sunday November 22nd	10.30am Morning Worship
Tuesday November 24th -	2.00pm Ladies Guild
	6.25pm Community Choir
Friday November 27th	7.00pm Christmas Music Evening
Saturday November 28th	10 .30 to 4pm Christmas Festival Day
Sunday November 29th	10.30am CIRCUIT SERVICE AT HINCKLEY

Advent Study Groups If anyone would be interested in being involved, leading or just attending an advent study group please speak to one of the Church Leadership Team Edward, Richard, Nigel, Charles, Gwen and Rachel Thank you."

Coffee Mornings for November and December

31.10.26. Guides
7.11.26. Vacant
14.11.26. In aid of Loros in memory of Frank Wightman
21.11.26. Guild
28.11.26. Christmas Festival Martin Shipley and friends.
5.12.26. Jo and Alistair
12.12.26. Guides
19.12.26. Guild
26.12.26. Boxing Day. No planned Coffee morning.

I am taking bookings for 2027. Please contact me if you have any special dates. Margaret Pearce 07733240873

Shoe Boxes – Operation Christmas Child

Thank you for your great support at the coffee morning recently. An amazing £239 was raised. Packed shoe boxes or items can still be accepted – deadline for leaving at church is Saturday 7th November

Hedgehog and the Beaver Leaders

Eco Tips for October As winter creeps in, homes are really important. God calls us to give nature a home, too. Does your garden have a bird feeder? Could your balcony or windowsill do with some plant life? If you don't own the house, you could make a case to the homeowner for a bird box, hedgehog highway or whatever. (For a hedgehog highway do make sure the neighbours are OK with you making a small hole in a shared fence). Why not gather your housemates, friends and family to discuss how a new recycling, heating or transport arrangement might work for you all - you'll go further together! *For more eco-tips, sign up to A Rocha UK's Wild Christian email: arocha.org.uk/wild-christian*

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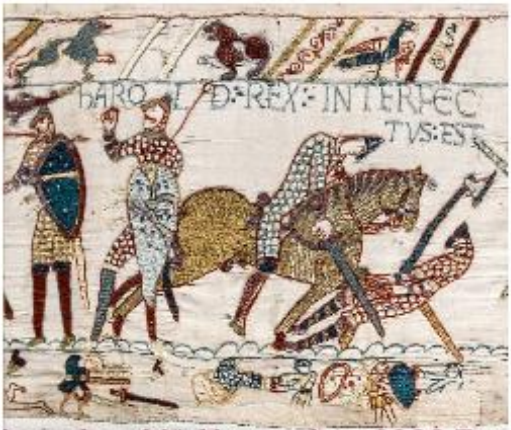
'The Bayeux Tapestry'

History enthusiast Richard Smith will give an illustrated talk about the Bayeux Tapestry which is currently at the British Museum in London.



Wednesday 11th November 2026 7pm at Hinckley Methodist Church, Albert Road Hinckley, LE10 1PL

Donations in aid of church funds (coffee/tea included).

Car Parking in Alma Road LE10 1QB

Pay & Display free after 6pm

Creating Safer Space Foundation Module This is an advance notice that the next Foundation safeguarding course will be at Burbage on Saturday 28th November beginning at 9.30am. Further details will be available nearer to the time. If you need to do this training, please talk to me and I can let you have more details and book you on when it becomes available Nigel Scarborough – Safeguarding Lead nigelscarborough@hotmail.com / Tel 07305006031



Entry forms are available at church See further details on next page

Christmas Festival Friday Evening 27th November & Saturday 28th November
Friday 27th Evening A Christmas related music and sketch evening in the church with all the Christmas displays on show. This will run for about 2 hours staring at 7pm followed by light refreshments.
Saturday 28th The church will be open 10:30 – 4pm for people to view the displays in there glory with donations to enter.
There will be lunches downstairs (12-2), and coffee, cake, Model Railway and stalls in the upper school room (10:30 – 3:00).
Martin Shipley 0758 4027066
hinckleymeth.churchfestival@outlook.com

Hinckley Area Foodbank Helping local people in crisis



Items urgently needed

Tinned tomatoes	**Tinned carrots**	**Tinned peas**
Tinned potatoes	**Tinned fruit**	**Tinned custard**
Cereals	**Biscuits (300+ g)**	**Squash**
Fruit juice	**Deodorant**	**Shaving foam**

At our recent Harvest Festival we supported both Food Bank and the Mission~Aviation Fellowship. On the next page you can find out more about MAF.

Flying 4 Life

MAF, Mission Aviation Fellowship, is the largest humanitarian airline in the world and is a Christian organisation that is changing the world, one flight at a time whether landing in deserts or jungles, on lakes, rivers, tracks or roads. Serving 28 developing countries to reach the world's forgotten people – those living out of sight, out of mind and out of hope.

Our fleet of 118 light aircraft enables tens of thousands of passengers every year to fly safely and swiftly over derelict roads, violent conflict and natural disasters. We transport food and water, health professionals and medical supplies, emergency workers and Christian missionaries to isolated peoples in more than 1000 remote communities with 1400+ partner organisations.

Practical help. Spiritual Hope. Physical Healing to thousands of men, women and children for whom flying is not a luxury but a lifeline. **MAF is flying for life.**





As well as praying for MAF's work, you can support it not just by financial donations but old postcards you no longer need. One of our volunteers sells the donated postcards to raise valuable funds for MAF. Over the past 25 years, postcard sales have raised £300,000. Please place your unwanted postcards in the collection box in the foyer of Hinckley Methodist Church. They will then be collected for sale to support MAF's work. Thank you.





If you would like to know more I would be very happy to come and talk to your group about the work of MAF. You can email at alistair.crooks@mafint.org or call me on 07931 029150.

WHITECHAPEL – Service 7th December 2026 Hinckley Methodist Church has been supporting the White Chapel Mission for many many years and with your support on Sunday 7th we can continue this which is very much appreciated. Please see separate sheet showing their current needs.

Information taken from the mission's website, OUR HISTORY In 1876 the forerunner of the Whitechapel Mission was inaugurated as 'The Working Lads' Institute and Home' at a Public Meeting in the Mansion House, presided over by the Lord Mayor of London. The work was conducted from rented premises at The Mount, Whitechapel Road, London until 1885 when a brand newbuilding was constructed at 285 Whitechapel Road. This building was opened by Queen Alexandra and King Edward VII also attended. The Whitechapel Methodist Mission was a Primitive Methodist foundation, arising from the home mission activities of Revd Thomas Jackson who worked in the East End of London for 56 years. The Mission combined social work with evangelical work. The objective of the Institute was to keep its doors open for orphan and destitute lads. Food, clothing, lodgings, and friendship were provided for upwards of 3,200 needy homeless. In its first year the Institute served over 11,000 breakfasts and was open each and every morning for the homeless of any age. The work we do and the way we do it have both changed completely since 1876, but the point of it is exactly the same: to make a difference in the lives of people, wherever it is most needed.

WHO WE ARE A volunteer-led organisation making a real difference, The Whitechapel Mission is called to serve each individual caught in the cycles of poverty, hopelessness and dependencies of many kinds, and to see their lives transformed to hope, joy and lasting productivity. We promote the concept of being part of the Mission and taking ownership of the Mission. Any and all who come are welcome. The services we offer are built upon trust and belonging. We are an inclusion centre rather than an exclusion centre.

Prayers for Sunday 1st November 2026

Mon 2nd November – We pray for the Christian Churches in our community. We pray for all the leaders and leadership teams, the volunteers and staff – give them visions and guidance. We pray for all of the congregations – that they may hear the word of God and act upon it. We pray for our churches to be strongholds in our communities – places of hope, peace and God's love.

Tues 3rd November – We pray for all the groups in our churches that care and nurture our children and young people – stay and plays, messy church, youth groups, junior churches, and much more – we pray for all those who run the groups, to give them energy and vision. Thank you for their gift. We pray for those who attend and that they may feel supported and loved.

Wed 4th November – We pray for all of the Uniformed Organisations that meet in our churches. We give thanks for the leaders, and we pray for the young people and families that they may see the love of God.

Thurs 5th November – We pray for all the groups in the churches that support families - messy church, family breakfasts, foodbanks, lunches, Baby Basics, holiday clubs – we give thanks for the volunteers and pray for all who support the groups and all who come to the groups.

Fri 6th November - We pray for all the different groups that meet in our churches and support our community in so many ways – including – warm spaces, coffee mornings, choir, fellowship groups, mental health support, dementia support, International Friendship Centre, homeless support, men's/ladies breakfasts and groups and many more – we pray that all may feel God's love.

Sat 7th November – We pray for all of the church groups that help and support our faith journey – bible studies, talking groups, Alpha and many more. We pray that our journey with God may grow.

Sun 8th Nov ember – We pray for all those who meet in our churches – the church groups and our room lettings. We pray that all who come on to our premises are able to see the love of Jesus in all we do.

Prayers for Sunday 8th November 2026

Mon 9th November – We remember today all of those who have passed away in our families – we take time to remember the good times, the happy memories. We pray for those who have difficult memories of loved ones and pray for wounds to heal.

Tues 10th November – We pray for the friends we have lost – the treasured memories we have of them. We thank you for their lives and thank you for the impact they had on our lives.

Wed 11th November – We pray and thank God for all of those who died and gave their lives fighting for this country. We thank God for their bravery and dedication.

Thurs 12th November – We pray for those who continue to serve in the armed forces and who today out their lives in danger to help us. We pray for their protection and pray for them to know Jesus as their Lord and Saviour.

Fri 13th November - We pray for those who are nearing the end of their life. We pray for peace for them and strength for their family and friends. We pray they too may know the love of Jesus in their lives.

Sat 14th November – We pray for all those who were and are Christian Martyrs. We thank you for their faith in God and their confidence in the gospel.

Sun 15th Nov ember – We pray that we all can be encouraged in our faith and have confidence in the gospel - that we are able to trust in God and go and tell all about the joy of having Jesus in our lives, eternal life and the promise of heaven.

Prayers for Sunday 15th November 2026

(Taken from Singing the Faith – Conflict, Suffering and Doubt)

Mon 16th November – Still in the darkness we search for your healing, hoping for meaning to comfort our fear. God of the silence, of unspoken feeling, teach us the wisdom to make your truth clear.

Tues 17th November – God of my love, I offer you my pain, when I'm alone and feel nobody cares, in aching age or rejecting youth, you bear my cross and dry my human tears.

Wed 18th November – Through the love of God our Saviour all will be well. Free and changeless is his favour; all, all is well. Precious is the blood of that healed us, perfect is the grace that sealed us, strong the hand stretched forth to shield us; all must be well.

Thurs 19th November – I'll set my gaze on Christ alone and trust in him completely; with every day pour out my soul and he will prove his mercy. Though life is just a fleeting breath, a sigh to brief to measure, my King has crushed the curse of death and I am his forever.

Fri 20th November - When our confidence is shaken in beliefs we thought secure; when the spirit in its sickness seeks but cannot find a cure; God is active in the tensions of a faith yet not mature.

Sat 21st November – It is enough for me to know God's promise and God's care; wherever on life's path I go my Saviour will be there.

Sun 22nd November – Fight the good fight, with all your might; Christ is your strength, and Christ is your right; lay hold on life, and it shall be your joy and crown eternally.

Prayers for Sunday 22nd November 2026

Mon 23rd November – We pray for our world. We hear and see the wars, fighting, anger and hatred between groups, organisations and countries. We pray for God's kingdom to come soon.

Tues 24th November – We pray for our world. We see and hear the politicians and leaders make the threats against each other, the lies that is said, the fear the news outs in our minds each day. We pray for God's kingdom to come soon.

Wed 25th November – We pray for our world – where many face a future of uncertainty, worry, fear and hopelessness, where people are struggling with poor mental health because of this. We pray for God's kingdom to come soon.

Thurs 26th November – We pray for our world – where people are turning to unhealthy ways of surviving – debt, drugs, alcohol, gambling. We pray for God's kingdom to come soon.

Fri 27th November - We pray for our world – where so many people are putting their trust in the ways of the devil rather than Godly ways t o guide their lives – even Christian people. We pray for God's kingdom to come soon.

Sat 28th November – We pray for our world and community. We pray that as churches, we are able to show our community the Jesus way of living, and we can lead the best life ever with God by our side. We pray for God's kingdom to come soon.

Sun 29th November – We worship today with the hope in our hearts as we celebrate the beginning of Advent and the promise of the coming of Jesus. We pray for God's kingdom to come soon.

Prayers for Sunday 29th November 2026

As we prepare ourselves for Christmas, may we take time to think about the real meaning....

Mon 30th November – Take time today to read Isaiah 9 verses 1-7. Help us to feel that same anticipation, the excitement of our Saviour coming – knowing he will change the world.

Tues 1st December – Read Luke 1 verses 46-55. Help us to be like Mary – willing to serve the Lord with that same joy and gladness that she had.

Wed 2nd December – Help us today to remind ourselves of the news of the census and Joseph and Mary return to Bethlehem. The worry they may have had about the journey, what to take, were to stay with Mary being pregnant. Thank you for their trust in God. Help us to trust God the same in our stresses situations at this time of year.

Thurs 3rd December – As we prepare to maybe write our Christmas cards to others – help us also to share the message of hope and the love of Jesus in the cards we send.

Fri 4th December - As we think of the Christmas gifts we may buy – help us to choose wisely, think about the needs of others and the share the gift of Jesus with all.

Sat 5th December – As we walk around the town, shops and community seeing the many decorations everywhere. We pray that all see that Jesus is the reason for the season and that all may know that.

Sun 6th December – Today, we pray for the work of the Whitechapel Mission. We pray the staff and volunteers and all who visit and receive from the Mission. Thank God for the work it does.

The December Notices and Newsletter will be prepared earlier next month to ensure that they are available in time for distribution at the Christmas Festival. Would you please send in any items for the newsletter to Richard rcs1815@gmail.com by Monday November 23rd, and notices to Gwen gcoley287@gmail.com by Thursday evening November 26th

If you are not able to attend worship Sunday services are live streamed each Sunday from 10.30 from Burbage Methodist Church. If you would like to join the worship, the link is: www.youtube.com/@burbagemethodistchurch/live

Minister: Rev Edward Sakwe

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Notices Items for the church notices may be telephoned to Gwen Coley on 01455 642659 or e-mailed to gcoley287@gmail.com

Prayer Requests If you have entered someone's name in the Book of Prayer, would you please remember to re-enter their name (if Prayer is still needed) at the beginning of each month

We have a prayer chain of about 30 people who will pray regularly in response to your requests. Please telephone Sue Cooper on 613352 or e-mail Cynthia cyn.jordan@yahoo.co.uk