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**Northampton District
Hinckley Circuit 23/11**

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SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

Our methodist Churches are committed to providing a safe place for all.

We will continue to work toward promoting the welfare of children, young people and adults.

However big or small or role is within the church we all have a responsibility to ensure the wellbeing and safety of everyone and to know

how to pass on concerns.

Safeguarding training is available to all who need to attend, as part of their church role or, if you would like to. Please speak to Colin or Nigel.

Last week, Sally Wan, Regional Officer for safeguarding led a fabulous workshop on Safer Recruitment.

If you have any examples of good practice that promotes safeguarding in your church, please let Colin or Nigel know. It would be good to share!

As Circuit Administrator, I will be contacting the safeguarding stewards to ensure that DBS certification is up to date for all who need one.

EVENTS AROUND THE CIRCUIT



Stoney Stanton Methodist Church

Carol Service which is on 11th Dec. at 7.30pm

Led by Rev Edward Sakwe and Judith Cooke

Parking – Old School Surgery car park

Refreshments to follow

Also at Stoney Stanton, their **Christmas Coffee Morning** on Thursday Dec. 18th
10 - 11.30am

All are welcome to join us at either or both events.

Newbold Verdon Methodist Church

COFFEE Morning
SAT 6TH DEC
10AM - 1PM

Join us for

- TEACAKES • CHAT •
- PRELOVED BOOKS &
- JIGSAWS •
- DELICIOUS
- HOMEMADE CAKES •

LUCKY DRAW
RAFFLE IN AID OF RAINBOWS & FAIRTRADE STALL

Plus delicious turkey rolls with stuffing / cranberry sauce, & warm mince pies and cream

EVERYONE WELCOME

Newbold Verdon Methodist Church
Main Street

Barwell Methodist Church



Barwell Methodist Church
CHRISTMAS FAYRE
Saturday 6th December
10.00am – 2.00pm
Refreshments
including
Sausage and Bacon Cobs
+ Drinks
3 x Christmas Hamper Raffle
(food, toiletries and chocolate)
Cake, Craft and Card Stalls
Games include:- Fork the Marble,
Card game, Keys and Bran Tub
All proceed to Defibrillator fund



BARWELL METHODIST
FAMILY FUN DAY
CHRISTMAS PARTY
Tuesday 30th December 2025
11am to 2pm
•• Fun Food Games ••
ACTIVITIES AIMED AT
5 - 11 YEAR OLDS
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Barwell Methodist Church

CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL

Sunday 14th December at 10.45am
For & on behalf of H&BBC Toy Appeal



We warmly invite Families with young Children to attend.
There will be story telling involving **puppets**, Drama,
decorating Christmas Tree ornaments and other activities.
Christmas songs and drinks and biscuits afterwards.
Hope to see you there.

You are invited to provide a new toy and either place it in the
Toy Appeal Bin at Church or bring to the Service. Cash
donations are also welcome and these should be placed on the
Toy table on December 14th. Both Toys and cash will go to help
those who may not be able to provide a Christmas present for
their children this year

Sapcote Methodist Church



Sunday 14th December 6pm

Traditional Carol Service led by Sheila Grice

Sapcote Methodist Church



Monday 15th December at 5pm

Includes:

Light Meal

Puppets

Lego Challenges

All are Welcome!

Wednesday 17th December 6pm

Join us on the Church car park to hear the Christmas Story accompanied with carols and band.

Hot drinks & snacks provided too!



Sapcote Methodist Church



Christingle Service

Christmas Eve at 5pm Led by Jennifer Birkby

A Christingle is a symbolic object made from an orange (or cake) with a candle in the top, it is used in Christian services to represent Jesus as the light of the world.

Orange/Cake represents the world.

Candle represents Jesus light of the world

Red Ribbon is the love & blood of Christ and Sweets represent all of Gods creations

Sapcote Christmas Day Service

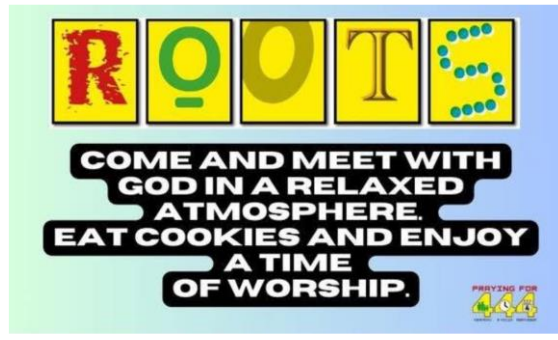


Will be led by Rev'd Edward Sakwe

10.30am

All are welcome

Roots



Roots is a relaxed celebration event with modern contemporary worship music, icebreakers, lively speakers with a short Christian message.

Every 4th Sunday of every month.

Come along and see what you think!

Next service Sunday 28th December at 4pm.

Earl Shilton Churches Together



Christmas day can be a lonely time for many.

Karen Berry is organising a free Christmas lunch at:

Earl Shilton Baptist Church (LBC)

Mill Lane

Earl Shilton

If you would like to attend or know of anyone that would appreciate company and good food then please contact Karen on 07722010908

Unfortunately, no children or transport available.

Circuit Service Sunday 28th December

10.30am

Earl Shilton Methodist Church 21 Wood Street, Earl Shilton, LE9 7ND

Hinckley Area Foodbank

Food Bank collection points include:

- **Outside18 Mill Close, Sapcote**
- **The Vine Christian Book Shop**
- **Cameo Cafe at the Stoke Golding Methodist Church.**

Hinckley Methodist Church



Hinckley Methodist Christmas Event
Coffee Morning
Saturday 6th December
10am to 2pm

Whilst enjoying refreshments, explore our Christmas Craft Stall selling ALL HAND MADE crafts.
Christmas gifts for everyone

We also have a stall selling craft items to make your crafts, beads, silk flowers, wreath making items, large pine cones, lots of coloured card and paper of all different

The G-Scale Clubs will be opening their layouts 00 gauge, Dow Bridge G-Scale layout and Johnson harbour layout



A black and white line drawing of a G-scale train, featuring a steam locomotive pulling several passenger and freight cars, set against a background of stylized mountains.

News from The Vine



It is certainly soup weather and here at The Vine we hand-make all our own from scratch with fresh ingredients. A bowl of soup served with bread roll and butter is £4.25; very popular as the season continues to chill! You will find a cosy place to warm up and to browse the shelves - including Christian gifts which are unavailable in the rest of town.

We also sell book tokens and gift vouchers for The Vine itself.

We have a wonderful new selection of 'Take Note' - our regular consignment of books for adults - with themes on Advent, Christmas, faith and reflection - please check out our Facebook page for details or drop in for a brochure; copies may also be available in your church as we are distributing them more widely.

If you, or someone you know, is able to help with kitchen duties (such as washing up and serving customers) on Mondays or Friday mornings please get in touch - we would make them very welcome and offer a warm atmosphere, free drink or meal depending on shift length and a first look at our lovely books, cards and gifts.

Finally, please find details of an evening talk by a local author held at Trinity Community Church - copies of the book are now in stock.

Kind regards,

Grace Manager

The Vine Hinckley *I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; for without me you can do nothing.* John 15:5

You can support The Vine when purchasing any books via our bookshop.org page Registered Charity Number 1182179

Come and share a gifted table.

An opportunity to meet around a table, share food and help the church grow.

“A Gifted Table” is an opportunity to sample what you could do to help your church grow.



By inviting a friend to a simple meal round a table and then to share thoughts and reflections about a poem or song, the aim is to listen to one another so that we might hear God's voice in the conversation.

Sapcote Methodist Church

on the following dates:

19th & 26th November, 3rd & 10th December, 7th & 14th January
7pm for food and the sessions start at 7:30pm.

The six sessions are themed around advent and Christmas and are stand alone sessions, you can come to them all, or as many as you like. Besides enjoying them, we hope that you will feel confident to host a Gifted Table in your church next year when material is produced for Lent and Easter.

Please let us know when you are coming contact: Sheila Grice 01455 213348

Well Being Walks at Bradgate Park

Dates for the December & January



1st December

8th December

22nd December

5th January

19th January

Meet 9.45am to 10am at Bradgate Park Newtown Linford Car Park.

Car Parking charges apply.

Walk starts at 10am prompt and lasts 90 minutes.

2 walks take place - a gentle stroll along the carriageway or a ramble into the Outer Park.

Children and Families Worker

Rugby Methodist Church Centre

15 hours per week to include some evening and weekend work

**Salary £17.45 per hour
equivalent to £13,611 per year**

Rugby Methodist Church Centre is seeking a dedicated and enthusiastic person with a heart for caring for and growing the family of the church.

This key role will engage and nurture families and young people, encouraging the making and growing of Christian disciples of all ages.

Experience of working in a Church environment and with young people and families is essential.

This is a two year fixed term contract which may be extended dependent on funding.

For full details and to request an application form please contact Lisa Barrett
Circuit Office Manager

07716 185395

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Closing date for applications: 15/12/2025

Interviews will be held on: 09/01/2026