



# Beeston **Methodist** Church

## Sunday Services

### Sunday 30 November

#### 1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2 <sup>1-5</sup>  
Isaiah 52 <sup>1-12</sup>

Romans 13 <sup>11-14</sup>  
Psalm 9 <sup>1-8</sup>

Matthew 24 <sup>36-44</sup>  
Matthew 24 <sup>15-28</sup>

**10.30am** Morning Worship  
**2pm** Nottingham Korean Church  
**6.30pm** Advent Carol Service

Tracy Shaw  
Rev Joseph Kil  
Local Arrangement

### Sunday 7 December

#### 2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11 <sup>1-10</sup>  
1 Kings 18 <sup>17-39</sup>

Romans 15 <sup>4-13</sup>  
Psalm 11

Matthew 3 <sup>1-12</sup>  
John 1 <sup>19-28</sup>

**10.30am** Morning Worship *also streamed live on zoom*  
**2pm** Nottingham Korean Church  
**6pm** Circuit Local Preacher's Recognition Service at BMC

Rev Andrew Checkley  
Rev Joseph Kil  
Rev Tony Malcolm

The Zoom Link to the BMC Sunday service is:

<https://zoom.us/j/99137116392?pwd=ZFO2UVEyZ2g5VWk1aRmVCSG9iZURqdz09>

**Meeting ID:** 991 3711 6392 **Passcode:** 955943

Beeston Methodist Church welcomes the Nottingham Korean Church who use its Premises each week.

*Beeston Methodist Church Registered Charity No. 1129035.*

#### Minister

Rev Andrew Checkley can be contacted on Tel: 07458 002303  
Email: revacheckley@btinternet.com Andrew's day off is Saturday.

# Beeston Methodist Church diary for the coming week

## **Sunday 30 November**

**10.30am**

Junior Church.

## **Monday 1 December**

**9.30am to 11.15am**

Little Acorns Parent and Toddler group in the Hall.

**2pm to 4pm**

Knit and Natter in the Wesley Room. Everyone is welcome.

**2pm to 4pm**

Monday Afternoon Housegroup at the home of Mary Baxter trying different prayer ideas, from the Prayer cards pack.

## **Tuesday 2 December**

**9.30am to 11.15am**

Little Acorns Parent and Toddler group in the Hall.

**11am**

Open Space coffee and prayers. Everyone welcome.

**7.30pm**

Prayer meeting on Zoom. All are welcome to join us as we continue our online monthly prayer meetings. This session will follow the theme of Advent. The prayer structure will be similar to that in a service with space for people to share in intercessions, if they wish. Prayers from the prayer tree will be included. You are invited to come and 'be' as you feel comfortable. It is fine to be silent and it is fine to pray out loud. We hope this provides a way of gathering together and encouraging one another in this important ministry of prayer. The Zoom link is the same as the Sunday Service. We would love to hear from you. If you have any questions or would like further information please contact Malcolm Wilson or Claire Milligan.

## **Wednesday 3 December**

**10am**

Wednesday morning housegroup in the Wesley Room. Who is Jesus? Led by Morag Walder.

**11am to 1pm**

Wholly Ground open for coffee, cakes and light lunches. As it is the first Wednesday of the month, there will be a short act of worship at 11.15am, with free coffee/tea and cake available at 11am.

## **Thursday 4 December**

**7.45pm for 8pm**

Alternating Housegroup - looking at Advent Reflections. At the home of Mary Baxter. New members welcome, contact Mary Baxter for more details on 07958696394.

## **Friday 5 December**

**8pm**

Friday Group at 33 Parkes Building. Timothy 5.

## **Sunday 7 December**

**10.30am**

Junior Church.

**2.45pm**

Carol Choir practice in the Epworth Room.



Today's flowers are given by Barbara Brown in loving memory of her mum and dad and her aunty Laura.

**Again I am raising funds for Coeliac UK** with my Christmas lights display. They were switched on Saturday 29 November and will be on until Thursday 1 January at 10pm, at 82 Hall Drive Chilwell. If you would like to make a donation here is a link to the JustGiving page <https://www.justgiving.com/page/eric-walker-4> Thank you, Christine and Eric Walker.

**Circuit Service** for the admission of Peter Gray as a Local Preacher Sunday 7 December, 6pm at Beeston Methodist Church. After a long process of preparation including study, conducting worship and review, the Circuit Meeting has given approval for Peter to be admitted to the office and ministry of a Local Preacher. You are warmly invited to join in this special occasion of worship, commitment and celebration - we look forward to seeing you there!

**As we approach** the end of the year it is time to order your IBRA Bible Reading Notes. The cost this year is £15.99 plus postage for the whole year. I have compared this price with other sets of notes and in some cases it is cheaper because IBRA is an annual cost and several other sets of notes are only for 4 or 6 copies per year with the resultant increase in postage. I already have 2 people wanting copies and when we require 3 copies we get a 10% discount and the postage is reduced as well. If you would like to order a copy please let me have your name before the 7 December. Thank you, Lesley Gray 9222352 or [lesleygray2121@gmail.com](mailto:lesleygray2121@gmail.com).

**Christmas Coffee Morning** will be held on Saturday 13 December from 10am. We also hope to serve warm mince pies. All are welcome. Paul Tivey.

**Thank you** for all the help you have given to Hope Nottingham over the years. It is very much appreciated. They currently have a serious storage issue as their floor is undergoing repairs and their warehouse space has been reduced. They are asking if donors are able to give money rather than food donations for the food bank until the storage issue is improved.

On December 7, 14 and 21 a Hope Donation box will be available at BMC in the Hope Collecting Basket which will be brought into the hall for anyone who would like to make a cash donation.

If you prefer you could use the following link to the website to donate <https://localgiving.org/donation/hopenottingham/start>. Alternatively do a bank transfer to: Hope Nottingham CIO. Sort Code 20-63-28. Account Number 93940896. You can also donate cash in an envelope marked 'food bank donation' by going in person to: Hope House to: Hope House, Boundary Road, Beeston, Nottingham, NG9 2RF. Any amount will be appreciated, through your donation you will be helping local people out of crisis. Thank you. Hilary Sutherland.

**The Methodist Church** Advent and Christmas campaign '**Gifted**' has started. By following the YouTube link we are able to explore what it means to recognise the gifts God gives us and to see ourselves, and each other, as gifts too. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LCdbqA2ULA0>.

**The Nottingham Trent Valley Circuit**  
Invitation Committee is pleased to inform you that, following a visit from Rev Bryan Yardy to the circuit, an invitation was extended to him.

Bryan has accepted this invitation and will be joining the circuit team, subject to Conference, on 1 September 2026. Please pray for Bryan and his wife Sue as they make the preparations for the move. Rev Tony Malcolm.

**Prayer** is an important part of the life of the church and our own individual faith. We do however need to be careful when we are putting prayer requests into the public domain. We need to ensure that we have the permission of someone before putting any details into the public domain, including online or prayer groups. Details about people must not be shared unless express permission is given by that person. If you are not certain that permission has been given then do not share details. If we share personal details and permission has not been given, the person who shares the details can get into trouble as it is a breach of GDPR. The person who shares information without consent would be personally liable. This does not mean that we cannot still pray for someone but can just say we pray for X and not go into detail. God knows who is being prayed for. Rev Andrew Checkley.

**30 November** Hay el Gharbeh, in southern Beirut, is home to families living in extreme poverty. Our partner Tahaddi runs several projects in this community, including special education services for young children with complex needs. Please pray that these children would thrive as a result of the care and support they receive from the teachers and therapists.



**Thanks to everyone who supports the BMC Coffee Mornings.**  
They are held on the second and last Saturdays of the month from 10am to 11.30am.  
**Wholly Ground** is open on Wednesdays 11am to 1pm.  
**Contact the administrator 0115 9431164** office@beestonmethodist.church.  
The **deadline** for the next notices is **12 noon** Wednesday 3 December.

**The Carol Choir** will be singing again this Christmas:

- Wednesday 10 December 8.45pm**  
Singing at the Crown Inn, Beeston.
- Thursday 11 December 1.45pm** Singing at the Beeston Memory Café (in the Middle Street Resource Centre).
- Sunday 14 December 10.00am** Singing in the morning service at BMC.
- Thursday 18 December 7.30pm** Street singing (start at the junction of Sidney Road/Wollaton Road).
- Monday 22 December 7.30pm** Street singing (start on Cromwell Road at the end of North Street).
- Wednesday 24 December (Christmas Eve) 7.15pm** Street singing (start bottom of Park Road).

If you would like to join us please let me know. Many of the carols are well-known and the others can be learnt as we go along. As well as singers we also have people who go door to door and collect when we sing “on the streets”. We would very much appreciate any offers of help for singing or collecting. Thank you, Andy Taylor [akr.taylor@ntlworld.com](mailto:akr.taylor@ntlworld.com).

**Thank you** for your concern, prayers and good wishes whilst Joyce has been in hospital. By the time you read this she should be home and on the road to recovery. Leo Brown.