Beeston Methodist Church

Sunday Services

Sunday 7 December

2nd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11 ¹⁻¹⁰ Romans 15 ⁴⁻¹³ 1 Kings 18 ¹⁷⁻³⁹ Psalm 11

Nottingham Korean Church

10.30am Morning Worship also streamed live on zoom

6pm Circuit Local Preacher's Recognition Service at BMC

Matthew 3 ¹⁻¹² John 1 ¹⁹⁻²⁸

Rev Andrew Checkley

Rev Joseph Kil Rev Tony Malcolm

Sunday 14 December

3rd Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35 ¹⁻¹⁰ Isaiah 5 ⁸⁻³⁰

2pm

James 5 7-10 Acts 13 13-41

Matthew 11 ²⁻¹¹ John 5 ³¹⁻⁴⁰

10.30am Morning Worship

2pm Nottingham Korean Church

Andrew Davies Rev Joseph Kil

The Zoom Link to the BMC Sunday service is:

https://zoom.us/j/99137116392?pwd=ZFQ2UVEyZ2g5Vk1aRmVCSG9iZURqdz09

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 7 December

10.30am Junior Church.

Monday 8 December

9.30am to 11.15am Little Acorns Parent and Toddler group in the Hall.

Tuesday 9 December

9.30am to 11.15am Little Acorns Parent and Toddler group in the Hall.11am Open Space coffee and prayers. Everyone welcome.

Wednesday 10 December

11am to 1pm Wholly Ground open for coffee, cakes and light lunches.

8pm Alternating Housegroup - socialising and singing with the Carol

Choir at the Crown. New members welcome, contact Mary

Baxter for more details on 07958696394.

8.45pm Carol Choir singing at the Crown Inn, Beeston.

Thursday 11 December

1.45pm Carol Choir singing at the Beeston Memory Café (in the Middle

Street Resource Centre).

Friday 12 December

7.30pm Singers' Rehearsal in the Hall.

Saturday 13 December

10am Christmas Coffee Morning. We hope to serve warm mince pies.

All are welcome. Paul Tivey.

Sunday 13 December

10.30am Junior Church.

Church Charity 2025-2026





The total raised by 1 December was £3847.09.

£1375.75 Money Jars ebay £43.13 Other items £69.50 Recycled books and Cds £105.39 f557.29 Coffee Bar Coffee Mornings f315.49 **Donations** f705.54 Wishing Well f675.00

Recent contributions include £567 from ebay sales, £240 from the Wishing, £72 and £185 from the November Coffee Morning. Colin Firbank.

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.





Today's flowers are given by Paul Tivey in memory of his mum, dad and aunt.

Thank you for the beautiful church flowers I received on Monday. They were a lovely surprise and brightened my day. Claire Millligan.

Thank you for the cards, good wishes and prayers whilst I have been in hospital. I am home and looking forward to making a full recovery. Jen Drinkwater.

Barrie Juffs A life-long member of Chilwell Road, Barrie died peacefully in his home with his family around, on Wednesday 26 November 2025 at the age of 92. Adrian, Sandra and Lynsay.

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! The link for the Circuit Service is the same link as we use on a Sunday morning which is on the front page of these notices.

Wholly Ground over Christmas and New Year. Wednesday 17 December open as normal. Christmas Eve closed Wednesday 31 December open from 11am to 1pm. Drinks and small cakes will be served from 11am to 11.45am. From 12 noon to 1pm there will be a "New Year's Eve" lunch with platters of sandwiches, cakes, and drinks. There will be no charge. Donations to the BMC Church Charities can be made instead. Ray Heasley.

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.

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.

Thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning on 29 November. A total of £194.67 was raised for the church charity plus £100 for Embrace the Middle East and £38 for Alzheimer's Research.

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. This is the second Advent reflection from the President. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ck4TyCdmyYA.

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.

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.

All We can giving - we are sorry that our Methodist development charity, All We Can, was unable to provide us with donation envelopes for our appeal following the hurricane in the Caribbean. For those who have donated online, thank you. For anyone who still wishes to make a donation (and particularly if you pay tax and would like to Gift Aid), they have now provided us with some printable donation forms. We will print out a few and bring them to put on the coffee bar, or please let me know if you would like me to get one to you personally. Sally Ramsey, for the Leadership Team.

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.

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 10 December.

The deadline for the next Newsletter is 16 January 2026