



Beeston **Methodist** Church

Sunday Services

Sunday 4 October

Twenty Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

Exodus 20 ^{1-4, 7-9, 12-20}
Proverbs 2 ¹⁻¹¹

Philippians 3 ^{4b-14}
1 John 2 ¹⁻¹⁷

Matthew 21 ³³⁻⁴⁶
Mark 10 ²⁻¹⁶

10.30am Morning Worship
2pm Nottingham Korean Church
6.30pm Evening Worship

Rev Susan Holmes
Rev Joseph Kil
Richard Collins

Sunday 11 October

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Exodus 32 ¹⁻¹⁴
Proverbs 3 ¹⁻¹⁸

Philippians 4 ¹⁻⁹
1 John 3 ¹⁻¹⁵

Matthew 22 ¹⁻¹⁴
Mark 10 ¹⁷⁻³¹

10.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion
2pm Nottingham Korean Church

Rev Andrew Checkley
Rev Joseph Kil

The Zoom Link to the BMC Sunday service is:

<https://zoom.us/j/99137116392?pwd=ZFO2UVEyZ2g5Vk1aRmVCSG9iZURqdz09>

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 4 October

10.30am

Junior Church.

Monday 5 October

9.30am to 11.15am

Little Acorns Parent and Toddler group in the hall.

2pm to 4pm

Monday Afternoon House Group at Mary Baxter's house in Chilwell. We will be looking at Harvest traditions within the Church. Mary Baxter to lead. We are open to new members joining us, please contact Mary on 07958 696394, or email mary.c.baxter@gmail.com for more information.

Tuesday 6 October

9.30am to 11.15am

Little Acorns Parent and Toddler group in the hall.

11am

Open Space coffee and fellowship in the church. Everyone is welcome.

Wednesday 7 October

10am to 11am

Wednesday Morning Housegroup in the Wesley Room. Everyone is welcome.

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.

7.30pm

Church Council Meeting in the Wesley Room.

Thursday 8 October

7.30pm

Singers' Rehearsal

7.30pm

Local Preachers' Meeting at Toton Methodist Church.

Friday 9 October

2pm

Redevelopment Group Meeting in the Wesley Room.

Saturday 10 October

10am to 11.30am

Coffee Morning.

4 October 2026 "When people come to me for their medicines and tell me their stories, it breaks me. It reminds me why I stay and why I do what I do." Wael.

Imagine spending your life savings treating chronic illness or having to choose between food or medicine. This is the reality for many in Syria, where economic crisis and instability remain. The Middle East Council of Churches (MECC) help with medicines and treatment costs but also work to reduce preventable illness through awareness and education. They run health training for local women, empowering them to share this knowledge within their communities. Wael is acutely aware of the scarcity of resources, but his faith, and the words of appreciation of those he's helped, fuel his determination to continue:

"Sometimes people will stop me in the street and say, 'You stand by us. You were with us during our hardest times.' This reminds me I am doing the right thing. That God needs me here." Wael.





Today's flowers are in loving memory of Lesley Gray's parents.

Thank you for the lovely harvest gift. It was really appreciated. Sheila Barker.

Thank you for the harvest gift. I will enjoy using the food items in the coming days. Barry Thorley.

Thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning. £118.70 was raised for the Church Charity and £10 for Mission Possible 2.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Organ Concert, approximately £350 was raised for Mission Possible 2.

Angels 2026. September and the time to start knitting angels again! I really hope that we can keep this tradition alive. The angels are so well received by our local nursing homes and community groups. Thank you to all those who regularly knit and welcome to anyone who would like to join us this year. A revised pattern is available which has clearer instructions. Also, we are always grateful for gifts of wool. If you have any questions please have a word. Happy knitting!! Mary Teale .

BMC is planning to commence a programme of outreach to people in some of the local care homes – spending an hour to share fellowship with maybe some hymn singing, prayer, Bible study and chat. Some of you have already volunteered to join a team to do this – thank you. You are warmly invited to a meeting to develop our plans and to clarify our aims and responsibilities on Monday 12 October at 10.30am (for an hour and a half max.) in the Church. If you haven't yet volunteered, it's never too late, so why not come along and see what it's all about – you'll be very welcome.

If you can't attend the meeting but are interested, please email Paula at: paulaedawson@btinternet.com for more information.

Bible Study A four-week Bible Study on Philippians has started. The next meeting will be on 15 October. All are welcome to come along. BMC Worship Team.

BMC Church Council The next meeting of BMC Church Council will be held on Wednesday 7 October at 7.30pm.

All are invited to attend. If there are any matters you wish to bring to the attention of Council, could you please contact Jenny Weir (secretary to Council).

Saturday 17 October at 2pm at Toton Methodist Church. Charity Concert by 'Ukee Doodles' the Stapleford ukulele band in aid of the Leprosy Mission. There will be light refreshments and donations will go to the work of the Leprosy Mission. To reserve your seat please contact Judith Coomber on 07905345567.

Saturday 17 October at 7pm, BMC Singers, musicians and local friends, will present '**A Journey through the Seasons**' a concert based around a new work that reimagines the famous music of Vivaldi's Four Seasons as piece for choir. The Singers will be joined by two soloists, Reuben Lee on piano, a clarinettist and a flute quintet. Bring your friends to hear an evening of excellent music. Entry will be free, with donations towards the spire repairs encouraged. Chris Bridges.

Wednesday 21 October We have arranged for an audiologist to come between 11am and 1pm whilst Wholly Ground is on. He will be able to help people adjust their hearing aids to hear as well as possible in the church. Chris Bridges on behalf of the Redevelopment Team.

Storage space at BMC For some time we have had problems with finding space at BMC to store all the things we want to. Now that we are putting things back which have been stored off site, it is becoming critical. We would like to do an assessment of what there is that needs storage and where there is to store things. This will involve going

round the church premises, identifying what other organisations have stored, what we need to keep, things that we might be able to get rid of, identifying where there is storage space and then try to sort out what can go where. We would like help with this so if you think you could help, please contact me by the end of September and we will find a time to meet up. Connie Pullan.

 **Can you help us create a flock of sheep?**  This Advent we are planning a **Messy Nativity Sheep Trail** around our local community. We would love to create a flock of knitted sheep which will be given to local shops and businesses to display in their windows. Families will then be invited to follow the trail, **pot the sheep** and take part in our Christmas treasure hunt as we journey towards the story of the Nativity.

Could you help us knit our flock? Whether you can knit **one sheep or several**, every sheep will help us bring the Christmas story out into our community.

The **knitting pattern and more information** are available from **Sue Yardy**.

If you want to access the sheep pattern online here's the link <https://www.messychurch.brf.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2023/11/Messy-Nativity-support-material-2020.pdf> Please speak to me if you would like to join in – we'd love to see just how big a flock we can create!

 **Ready, steady... knit!** At least one of the flock will also appear at our Christmas Messy Church on Saturday 5 December. More details on this later! Sue Yardy.

 **LIGHT PARTY**  We are having a **Light Party,an afternoon of light, fun and celebration.**
Friday 30th October | 3.00-5.00pm
There will be **crafts, games, food and a disco**, with lots of colourful and glowing activities to enjoy.
The Light Party is for **children aged 11 and under**, and **parents/carers must stay with their children.**

 **Fancy dress is welcome, but please no Halloween costumes.**
Come dressed brightly, bring your best smile and get ready to **shine!**
For more information, contact **Sue** at sueyardy@yahoo.co.uk.

The Macmillan Coffee afternoon held at BMC by the Exercise Class raised £175.30. Thank you to everybody who supported it.

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 7 October.
The **deadline** for the Newsletter is Monday 16 November.
