



## Circuit Notices – 01/10/2025

Please send any notices for the next weekly notices to Laura at [office@essdmethodistcircuit.org](mailto:office@essdmethodistcircuit.org) by 8pm on a Tuesday for inclusion in the current week's notices. Thank you

### Important Information

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Training (EDI) -

#### EDI Training – Thank You & Next Steps

A big thank you to those who joined us at The Well last Saturday for the EDI training!

If you weren't able to attend, no worries at all. You can still complete the training online at your own convenience via this link: <https://essdmethodistcircuit.org/edi>

Dates for Safeguarding Training – Advanced Session

**Saturday 18th October 2025 at 10am**  
at The Well, Midway, Swadlincote

Currently, there are only 5 people who have signed up for this session. If there isn't a marked increase in numbers, it's unlikely that the training session will be able to go ahead! The Eventbrite link is as follows:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1464093445909?aff=oddttdtcreator>  
Please enrol now if you need to renew or commence your training!






### Circuit Events

The Knitted Bible is coming to the Circuit

You might remember I mentioned back in July that this Circuit will be hosting *The Knitted Bible* exhibition next year! Well, if anyone's curious for a sneak peek, you can catch a preview of the exhibition at the following link: [The Knitted Bible Exhibition](#). It's well worth a look!

#### What is it & when / where

- The Knitted Bible is an exhibition of over **33 biblical scenes**, made by St. George's United Reformed Church, Hartlepool. Each person, animal, fish, goblet, etc., is individually knitted.
- It will be at the Congregational Federation, 8 Castle Gate, Nottingham, NG1 7AS.
- Dates: Wednesday 19 November to Saturday 6 December 2025.

Utttoxeter's week-long big event for school children!	<p><b>Exciting Opportunity to Get Involved – Life Expo at Utttoxeter Methodist Church!</b></p> <p>It's a fun, interactive event helping Year 5 &amp; 6 children explore the Christian faith in a fresh way. Check out more about it here: <a href="https://www.countiesuk.org/lifeexpo">https://www.countiesuk.org/lifeexpo</a></p> <p> <b>3rd–7th November (school hours)</b></p> <p> Set-up &amp; volunteer - training the Saturday before – with tea and biscuits, of course!</p> <p>We'd love your help! It's a great chance to support children as they learn about prayer, worship, and faith.</p> <p>We're looking for friendly faces to help in a few different areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•  Helping in the café</li> <li>•  Chatting with and supporting children in the “tech” room (don't worry – no tech skills needed!)</li> <li>•  All else fails, praying before, during, or after the sessions!!!</li> </ul> <p>If you're interested in helping, please get in touch with Rachel Wood as soon as you can.</p>
Circuit Facebook page	<p><b>Regular Circuit updates are available</b> on the <a href="#">circuit facebook page</a>, which will include details of any upcoming events and courses, as well as any amendments to Church services.</p>
Circuit Website	<p><b>We encourage you to visit your <a href="#">Circuit website</a></b>, which provides information about your churches and important events they are hosting. Should you require any amendments/updates to your Church page, please email Laura: <a href="mailto:office@essdmethodistcircuit.org">office@essdmethodistcircuit.org</a></p>

## What's happening at The Well?

Evening Performance by The Derbyshire Community Male Voice Choir	<p><b>Friday 21st November at 7.30pm</b></p> <p>Welcome to all! Tickets cost £8, under 16's go free but must be accompanied by an adult and also have a ticket. To book your place, please email Laura: <a href="mailto:office@essdmethodistcircuit.org">office@essdmethodistcircuit.org</a></p>
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## Events around the Circuit

Teams4U Christmas Shoebox Appeal	<p><b>'WRAP &amp; PACK' Saturdays October 18th and 25<sup>th</sup> 10am to 1pm</b></p> <p>Drop-in any time between those hours to help wrap and fill the boxes with donations. Refreshments will be provided!</p> <p>Or drop off any gifts suitable for children - they are in need of hats, scarves, gloves, cuddly toys, sweets and monetary donations. For any further information please contact: Margaret Chester 01283 564454</p>
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Stretton's Afternoon of Music with Oasis Music Group for Harvest Festival	<b>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm</b> This Harvest Festival and musical afternoon is in aid of the YMCA food bank so any donations of food or money will be much appreciated! Enjoy the music, eat cake and chat with friends! (Donations of cake for this event will also be gratefully received.)
Stanton's Monthly Events	<b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 6.30pm - Bible Fellowship</b> Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 12 noon - Light Lunch Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 7.15pm for 7.45 pm start - Let's Praise Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 7.00pm - Julian Meeting (Contemplative Prayer)
Draycott's Afternoon Tea	<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2.30pm – 4pm</b> A wide selection of cakes served with tea and coffee will be available. Donations only. All welcome!

<b>Regular Events around the Circuit</b>			
<b>Monday</b>	OASIS Music Group 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month	Unit 6, Market Street, Swadlincote	6pm - 8pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	OASIS	Unit 6, Market Street, Swadlincote	10am - 1pm
	Fellowship Every fortnight	Church Gresley Methodist Church Next dates: Oct 7 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	2pm - 3.30pm
	New Bible Study Group led by Rev Manoa Every third Tuesday of the month	Barton Methodist Church	7pm - 8pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	OASIS Music Group Every 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month	Unit 6, Market Street, Swadlincote	10am - 12 noon
	OASIS Games morning Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month	Unit 6, Market Street, Swadlincote	10.30am – 12 noon
	OASIS Just Sing Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month	Unit 6, Market Street, Swadlincote	1.30pm - 3pm
	Oasis's Creative Space Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month	Unit 6, Market Street, Swadlincote	1pm - 3pm
	Connections Every 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month	Church Gresley Methodist Church Next date: Oct 15 <sup>th</sup>	1pm - 3pm
	The Stream – an online time of communal discussion based on 'The Upper Room'	Zoom Online These will be the usual details.	2pm
<b>Thursday</b>	CAMEO with craft/knitting group	Stanton Methodist Church	10am - 12noon
	Tea/Coffee, Cake & Chat	Ticknall Methodist Church	10.30am - 12.30pm

	Carers OASIS Last Thursday of the month	Unit 6, Market Street, Swadlincote	10.30am - 12.30pm
<b>Friday</b>	OASIS	Unit 6, Market Street, Swadlincote	10am -1pm
	Come and Chat!	Etwall Methodist Church	10.30am - 12 noon
	Soup & Roll	Etwall Methodist Church	12 noon - 1.30pm
	The Stream Online Prayer meeting	Zoom Online These will be the usual details.	3pm
<b>Saturday</b>	Coffee Morning, 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month	St. Thomas's Methodist Church	10.00am - 11.30am
	Coffee Morning 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month	Newhall Methodist Church	10.30am - 12noon

## Worship Online

The Stream	<p>Online on Zoom every Sunday at 10.30am Should you require the log-in details, please email: <a href="mailto:peter.thestream.essd@gmail.com">peter.thestream.essd@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>For safeguarding reasons these details <u>should not</u> be posted on social media.</b></p>
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## District/Other Events

<b>Conference Business Digest</b>	<p><b>A report for local churches</b> about the business of the 2025 Methodist Conference. Please share this with the office holders and members of your Church and Circuit. This can be read online and downloaded from <a href="http://methodist.org.uk/conference">methodist.org.uk/conference</a></p>
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