



Waingroves Connexions

The Monthly Newsletter of Waingroves Methodist Church

January 2022

Welcome to the January edition of Connexions – we wish you a happy new year.

Connexions is being issued on the assumption that all planned activities for the month will be able to go ahead. If this needs to change, an update will be issued as soon as possible.

Covid -19

As you will be aware, infection rates of Covid-19 are high once again. As a result, HM Government have reintroduced certain regulations (which must be followed) and issued further advice (which we have sought to interpret and apply to our own building and situation).

At the moment, regulations do not preclude worship or any other of our meetings or activities from taking place nor the activities of any other group using the building.

However, the following should be noted –

- Everyone (except those who are exempt) is required to **wear a mask** whilst in the building. (This is a legal requirement covering Places of Worship and Community Centres/Village Halls but not exercise settings nor whilst leading a class or reading or addressing the congregation directly).

We also ask that –

- Immediately on arrival at chapel for any activity, everyone **sanitises or washes their hands**
- Chairs are spaced out to **allow distancing** to be practised.
- Rooms are **ventilated** by opening windows and/or doors. All rooms will have been heated for several hours prior to all activities but everyone is asked to note that the environment may become cooler as the service/meeting/activity progresses and to dress warmly as a result.
- It is noted that **refreshments can continue to be served** but these should be prepared by as few people as possible and can be taken anywhere throughout the ground floor or outside.

Above everything, we remain a community committed to worship, prayer and service. If you have a prayer request we will ensure it is included during our Prayer Meetings and on the Prayer Chain. Similarly, if you know of anyone needing practical assistance that we can assist with, please let us know via any of our contact channels.

CHRISTMAS CHARITIES

The following charities have benefitted as a result of the special collections and fund raising undertaken during Advent and Christmas. Many thanks to all –

Action for Children - £100 from Friends & Neighbours; £63 from Carol Singing and £47 from the collection taken up on Christmas Day.

The Children's Society - £30 and **Children in Need** - £30 from the Corporate Christmas Card and the Christingle Service.

In addition, over 50 presents were brought to the Toy Service and subsequently taken to the **Salvation Army (Ripley Corps)** for distribution across Amber Valley as part of their Christmas Goodwill Community Campaign. The acknowledgement received from the Salvation Army is reproduced later in this edition of Connexions.

GENERAL MEETING

Everyone is invited to the Church General Meeting which will be held on Saturday 15 January at 3.30 pm.

The key activities will be –

- 1) To review the property and determine the maintenance schedule for the coming months.
- 2) To plan dates for special services and other events.
- 3) To discuss plans and considerations, hopes and dreams concerning the coming together of Waingroves and Marehay as one church operating out of two buildings.
- 4) To review and update the Mission Plan as a result of the discussions around points 1)-3) noted above.

There will be a Faith Tea after the meeting has concluded.

Given the situation re Covid, if you do not feel able to attend, please provide any input or feedback to Ruth or Mark prior to the meeting. Thank you.

The Ripley (Derbyshire) Cluster
of Methodist Churches

UNITED ANNUAL COVENANT SERVICE

**On Sunday 2 January 2022 - 11 am
At Zion Methodist Church, Marehay**

Led by Revd Tony Wells (Matlock)

All Welcome

*We Saw His Star
in the East...*

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022



**UNITED SERVICE FOR THE
WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**

Codnor Methodist Church (Mill Lane - DE5 9QF)

Sunday 23 January 2022 at 11 am
ctbi.org.uk/weekofprayer

Original photo of Niklas Dr Michael Lofstrand



Ripley
and
Somercotes Corps

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Date: 7th December 2021
Ref: Donations

Waingroves Methodist Church,
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Dear Church Members,

Re: Christmas Toy Donations 2021

Please accept our sincere thanks and gratitude to you and Mark for the generous donation of toys you recently donated in support of our Christmas Goodwill Campaign. We circulated a request to local schools in the Ripley Township to ask them to identify vulnerable children who would benefit from a toy or other gift and >291 of all ages were identified in the age range 0yrs to 16yrs both boys and girls.

The Mayor of Ripley: Councillor Roland Emmas-Williams paid us a visit on Monday to help our Corps Officer: Lieutenant Zsafia to collect parcels ready for distribution (see photograph on rear).

Thank you again for your support, we really do appreciate it.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year,
God Bless,

Yours sincerely,

Ian Brown (Corps Secretary)

For

Lieutenants Callum & Zsafia Thompson (Commanding Officers).

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JANUARY	Chapel	Foyer	Schoolroom	Elsewhere
Sat 1				
Sun 2				11.00 – Ripley Cluster United Covenant Service at Marehay
Mon 3				
Tue 4			7.00 – Table Tennis	
Wed 5	5.00 & 7.30 – Slimming World			
Thu 6	7.30 – Chapel Park Band	7.00 – Foodbank Planning	7.00 – Table Tennis	
Fri 7			7.00 – Table Tennis	
Sat 8	9.30 – Dance Class			10.30 – Virtual Prayer Mtg
Sun 9	10.45 - Morning Worship - Revd Chris Scotchbrook			
Mon 10	10.30 – Dance Class 1.30 - Keep Fit 6.45 – Dance Class		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Tue 11	10.30 – Dance Class 6.00 – Pilates		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Wed 12	1.30 – Stay & Play 5.00 & 7.30 – Slimming World			7.00 – Joint Bible Study at Codnor
Thu 13	10.00 & 11.30 – Tiny Talk 5.00 – Dance Class 7.30 – Chapel Park Band		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Fri 14	10.00 – Dance Class 6.00 – Dance Class		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Sat 15	9.30 – Dance Class		3.30 – General Church Meeting	10.30 – Virtual Prayer Mtg
Sun 16	10.45 - Baptism - Revd Kate Strange			
Mon 17	10.30 – Dance Class 1.30 - Keep Fit 6.45 – Dance Class		12.45 – Phonics Group 7.00 – Table Tennis	
Tue 18	10.30 – Dance Class 6.00 – Pilates		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Wed 19	1.30 – Stay & Play 5.00 & 7.30 – Slimming World			7.00 – Joint Bible Study at Codnor
Thu 20	10.00 & 11.30 – Tiny Talk 5.00 – Dance Class 7.30 – Chapel Park Band		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Fri 21	10.00 – Dance Class 6.00 – Dance Class		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Sat 22	9.30 – Dance Class			10.30 – Virtual Prayer Mtg
Sun 23				11.00 – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service at Codnor
Mon 24	10.30 – Dance Class 1.30 - Keep Fit 6.45 – Dance Class		12.45 – Phonics Group 7.00 – Table Tennis	
Tue 25	10.30 – Dance Class 6.00 – Pilates 7.45 – Friends & Neighbours		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Wed 26	1.30 – Stay & Play 5.00 & 7.30 – Slimming World			7.00 – Joint Bible Study at Codnor
Thu 27	10.00 & 11.30 – Tiny Talk 5.00 – Dance Class 7.30 – Chapel Park Band		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Fri 28	10.00 – Dance Class 6.00 – Dance Class		7.00 – Table Tennis	
Sat 29	9.30 – Dance Class			10.30 – Virtual Prayer Mtg
Sun 30	10.45 - Morning Worship - Mr Michael Slater		10.45 – Sunday School	
Mon 31	10.30 – Dance Class 1.30 - Keep Fit 6.45 – Dance Class		12.45 – Phonics Group 7.00 – Table Tennis	

Wellbeing Wednesdays

What? Exploring whole person, emotional, financial, social, spiritual, intellectual, occupational, physical and environmental wellbeing.

How? Prayer, bible study, conversation, music, videos, other activities.

When? The second Wednesday of the month
12 Jan, 9 Feb, 9 Mar, 11 May, 8 Jun, 13 Jul 2022 *

Where?* 10am-12 noon Codnor Methodist Church
 2pm-4pm on Zoom
 7pm-9pm Darley Dale Methodist Church (in church)

The Covid-19 pandemic has been a difficult experience for many people in many ways and, with or without a pandemic, life will bring challenges, achievements, sorrows and joys to each of us.

Wellbeing Wednesdays will be opportunities to meet together to reflect on our wellbeing. The Nottingham and Derby District's Finding Our Way material will enable us to explore different aspects of wellbeing together to help us to flourish as God's people in our present situations and circumstances.

To help us to plan the sessions, please book a place if you wish to come.

To find out more and to book your place, contact:

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*arrangements may need to change due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

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