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**LONGBRIDGE METHODIST CHURCH**  
**8 SEPTEMBER & 15 SEPTEMBER 2024**

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facilities are  
available

**WORSHIP TODAY, SUNDAY, 8TH SEPTEMBER 2024**

11.00 a.m. Sunday Worship (Holy Communion)  
Preacher: Rev Cleopas Sibanda

6.00 p.m.: Welcome Service for 3 new ministers arriving in the Circuit, at Solihull Methodist Church. Teas available from 5.00 p.m.

**WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER 2024**

11.00 a.m. Sunday Worship (Own Arrangement)  
No Evening Service.

For those who are unable to come to church, you can join on Zoom, details as follows:

<https://zoom.us/j/8261176070?pwd=WHh2WIRPaWpvK2JHaWc5dUFJMkhyQT09&omn=92257119284>

Meeting id: 8261176070 Passcode: 1654

Telephone access: 0203 051 2874, 0203 481 5237 or 0203 481 5240.

**THE MINISTER'S LETTER**

Happy new connexional year to you all and a big welcome to LMC, a place of welcome and fellowship.

The very first bible verse reads, "in the beginning God..." (Gen 1:1a) and so as we begin this new year, let us start with God and end it with God. I pray for school children and the University students who have started their new year this month. May God be with them in their studies. I also want to pray for those who have started a new job and those who are retiring. May God guide you in your new adventures.

This year our theme as church is Seeking Justice. May we, "learn to do right, seek justice and defend the oppressed. You are all invited to the welcome service of our new ministers at Solihull Methodist Church 6pm. Teas and coffee will be served from 5pm.

I want to ask you to read the following prayer written by our Connexional President.

**Holy God,**

**We thank you that as we begin our journey  
through this next Connexional year we know  
you are present with us and will bless us  
generously and graciously.**

**We seek to learn to do what is right, to seek justice  
and challenge oppression.**

**May we listen carefully before we speak, be  
courageous in our loving, and faithful in living holy  
lives worthy of our calling.**

**God of our past, our present and our future hope  
may we be your good news.**

**Amen.**

**The Methodist Church**



The Revd Helen Cameron, President of the Methodist Conference, has written this prayer for the New Connexional Year.

Have a blessed week  
Cleopas

**CONTINUED OVER**

**TUESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER @ 12.30 pm** – Ladies Tuesday Lunch

**THURSDAY 5 SEPTEMBER @ 7.00 pm** – Zoom Fellowship

**SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER @ 10.00 am** – District Synod at Carrs Lane

**THURSDAY 19 SEPTEMBER @ 7.00 pm** – Circuit Meeting at Carrs Lane. Note change of date from 12 September.

**SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER @ 10.00 am** – Working Party.

**TUESDAY 24 SEPTEMBER @ 7.30 pm** – Resources Group

**SUNDAY 29 SEPTEMBER @ 11.00 am** – Our Harvest Festival and Big Welcome.

#### **OTHER LETTINGS**

**SUNDAY 8 SEPTEMBER pm** – Syrian Church

**SUNDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 1.00 to 4.00 pm** – Party in Hall.

**SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 6.00 – 9.00 pm** – Syrian Meeting

**SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER pm** – Syrian Church

**THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER, 1.30 – 5.30 pm** – The Project AGM

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**BROCHURES** – Our 2014/25 church brochures are now available from the trolley and Foyer. Please distribute them as widely as possible. Already there are two changes from September!

- 1) Yoga moves to Monday
- 2) Line Dancing – a second group will meet on Thursday

#### **ZOOM FELLOWSHIP**

The meeting for Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September is cancelled due to the Circuit Meeting.

#### **WORKING PARTY**

Saturday 21 September at 10.00 am. Please come and help with small jobs to keep our church spick and span.

#### **OFFERINGS**

The total for the year to 31 August was £34,968. Our payment to the Circuit has increased from 1 September by £1,000, so any help you can give to meet this increase would be appreciated.

#### **BENEVOLENT FUND**

The amount given in September was £6.50, and we sent £50 to the **Fund for Human Need** (see the Newsletter on the notice board).

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**WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, 22 SEPTEMBER** – 11.00 a.m. Sunday Worship. (Preacher: Rev Tony McClelland).  
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ALL NOTICES FOR THE NEXT SHEET (SUNDAYS, 8 SEPTEMBER AND 15 SEPTEMBER) SHOULD BE GIVEN TO REMI OLATUNBOSUN OR SENT TO [info@longbridgemethodistchurch.org](mailto:info@longbridgemethodistchurch.org) BY WEDNESDAY EVENING, 18 SEPTEMBER.