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| INDUCTION  LOOP is  operating | **LONGBRIDGE METHODIST CHURCH**  **SUNDAYS, 21 APRIL & 28 APRIL 2024** | CRÈCHE facilities are available |

**WORSHIP TODAY - SUNDAY, 21ST APRIL 2024**

11.00 a.m. Sunday Worship

No Evening Service.

**WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, 28TH APRIL 2024**

11.00 a.m. Sunday Worship

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

<https://zoom.us/j/8261176070?pwd=WHh2WlRPaWpvK2JHaWc5dUFJMkhyQT09&omn=92257119284>

Meeting id: 8261176070 Passcode: 1654

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

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**FLOWERS**

The flowers in church on Sunday 21st April are in memory of George Green, beloved husband of Elsie as well as

Ann, friend of Wendy.

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**THE MINISTER'S LETTER**

Greetings in the name of God and welcome to LMC, a place of welcome.

I want to share with you on Spiritual Gifts, Unity and Diversity. The Spiritual gifts given to each person by the Holy Spirit are all special and they must be used to minister to the body of believers. Instead of building up and unifying the Corinthian church, the issue of the Spiritual gifts was splitting it. Instead of becoming a means of growth, these Spiritual gifts had become symbols of power, causing rivalries which were not good at all. 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 NKJV

I am encouraging you to read this text and understand more about these gifts. Any gift that you have does not mean that you are more spiritual than others. You must also know that the purpose of these gifts is to make the church function in an effective way.

As you use your gifts, think of others, and remember that we serve one God who will never be divided. We must try, by all means, not to be manipulative. We must be prepared to serve others all the time. God created a special place for you in church. God also gave you a special gift that you must utilise whilst you are still able.

I want to thank those who have offered to be confirmed in the Methodist Church. If you do not understand what this means, see me, your pastoral visitor or any of your stewards. We will soon resume confirmation fellowships. If you wish to join, may you kindly register to Becky or any of our stewards.

Let us continue to pray for our church, those who are not feeling well and the world over.

Unity is power.

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**TUESDAY 23 APRIL @ 12.30 pm –** Ladies Tuesday Lunch

**TUESDAY 23 APRIL @ 7.00 pm** – Church Council.

**WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL @ 7.00 pm** – Circuit Property Gathering at Selly Oak Church.

**SATURDAY 27 APRIL @ 10.00 pm** – Workshop for all who do Bible readings and those who wish to.

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**OTHER LETTINGS**

**SUNDAY 28 APRIL pm** – Syrian Church

**THURSDAY 2 MAY** – Police and Crime Commissioner elections and West Midlands Combined Authority Mayoral election.

**SATURDAY 4 MAY pm** – Zimbabwean Men’s meeting

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**MEMORIAL BOOK** – This will be updated soon, so if you wish to have a form for a name to be entered, or you want more information, please speak to Elisabeth Osborn as soon as possible. The memorial book is kept in the Foyer and the pages are turned throughout the year.

**BRIAN KITE** of Jellybabies Nursery and Pre-School has been awarded a lifetime achievement award by the Early Years Alliance. Anyone who knows Brian is invited to the ceremony on Monday 29 April at 10.30 am in the Hall, but don’t tell Brian as it is a surprise!

**LYNNE GUTTRIDGE** ou**r** Coffee Pot Manager will be leaving shortly. If you or anyone you know is interested in this job, please tell Philip. The work is 8 hours per week over 2 days and involves cooking for the Day Centre and ladies’ lunch.

**VACANT POSITIONS** – Thank you to those who have signed up to volunteer for vacant positions in the church. We hope you have made contact with the appropriate coordinators.

There are still more people needed so please see the board in the Foyer and sign up if you can help.

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**ZOOM FELLOWSHIP**

This meets on line or telephone at 7.00 pm every first and third Thursdays of the month. Next meeting is on 2nd May. To join please see under Sunday Worship.

**JUNIOR MISSION FOR ALL**

Please hand any surplus Christmas presents to Janet Sly to sell in the next JMA sale. Thank you.

**PENS**

We still have plenty of Longbridge soft-tip pens for sale at £1.50 each. Please see Philip to purchase them.

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**WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, 5 MAY**– 11.00 a.m. Sunday Worship

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ALL NOTICES FOR THE NEXT SHEET (SUNDAYS, 5 MAY AND 12 MAY SHOULD BE GIVEN TO REMI OLATUNBOSUN OR SENT TO [info@longbridgemethodistchurch.org](mailto:info@longbridgemethodistchurch.org) BY WEDNESDAY EVENING, 8 MAY.