Welcome to Market Harborough Methodist Church Centre

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Senior Stewards:

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SUNDAY 18 MAY

10.15am Morning Worship, with Holy Communion – led by Church

Rev Nathan Falla

5.00pm Pizza Club Youth Wing

We welcome all visitors to our Church.

A hearing loop system is available.

You are also invited to sign the visitor's book before you leave.

Please place any prayer requests in the box in the Foyer.

We continue to hold in prayer those who are unable to worship with us in Church - those who are grieving, experiencing sufferings, undergoing treatment or are unwell. We pray for those living in residential care homes, those in independent living areas and those isolated in their own homes.

We also pray for:

- the work of our Church and Community Chaplain, Clare Pickering
- for all of those who work with children, young people and families.

We pray that all may know God's love surrounding them, bringing them His healing touch, His perfect peace and His renewing grace.

Prayer, after the Sunday morning service, either for yourself or someone else, can be facilitated. Please see one of the Stewards, who will ask the Prayer Ministry team to assist.

MONDAY 19 MAY
5.45pm Rainbows Youth Wing

TUESDAY 20 MAY
10.00am Coffee Morning, with Craft Corner Youth Wing

WEDNESDAY 21 MAY
Noon Together Lunch Church

SUNDAY 25 MAY
10.15am Morning Worship – led by Mrs Kate Horrix Church

STREAMED SERVICES, live each Sunday, are available via the YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/c/marketharboroughmethodists.

CHRISTIAN AID envelopes will be available in Church on 18 May for those wishing to donate. Money raised will help fund essential agricultural training and tools in order for farmers to feed their children. If you prefer to make a donation online to Christian Aid. The following site has been created. No commission will be deducted and gift aid can be done: https://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/envelope-2025/market-harborough-christian-aid-week-2025. On Saturday 31 May the CHRISTIAN AID BIG BREKKIE will take place at the Congregational Church Jubilee Hall, from 10am. All are welcome. Also, our Church and Community Chaplain, Clare Pickering, is taking part in Christian Aid's '70K in May' challenge, aiming to walk 70km by the end of May. To donate, use the link: http://fundraise.christianaid.org.uk/challenge-2025/clares-70k-may.

TOGETHER LUNCH will be held on Wednesday 21 May, noon for a 12:30pm lunch. The cost will be £7 per person. This is a time of fellowship together over a hot meal. All are welcome. Please contact Helen Green (01858 414964) or Audrey Huntington (01858 432857) by Sunday 18 May if you would like to come.

ALL ARE INVITED to celebrate Ascension Day at a special Circuit Communion Service, on Thursday 29 May, held here, at 7pm (also streamed live on YouTube). The service will include a sung Communion setting, written by Rev Nathan Falla. There will be a rehearsal, on Sunday 18 May following the morning service, for those willing to be part of the choir for this occasion.

GENERAL CHURCH MEETING - Sunday 15 June 2025 at noon. Once again all groups and organisations from the Church Family are invited to submit a written report. This is a once-a-year opportunity to update the whole of the Church Family on everything that goes on. Last year reports were received from: Property Team, Treasurer, Security Team, Catering, Church Leadership Team, Fair Trade and Eco, Pastoral Team, several of the Good Soil and Small Groups, Audio Visual Team, Youth Work, Together with Ukraine, Music and Singing the Faith, Prayer Ministry, Men's Meal. To have your report included, please submit to Neil Hadkiss (Church Council Secretary - m.nhadkiss@btinternet.com) by Monday 9 June, so the reports can be collated and circulated. Thank you.

ROOF WORK continues above the front section of the Church building. Barring unexpected developments, access for the morning service will be as normal through the front door. The car park remains unavailable. Thank you - Neil Hadkiss.

PIZZA CLUB MARATHON. Our wonderful Pizza Club are once again doing a marathon, to raise money for the Fundo Foundation. A sponsorship form is in the Foyer, if you would like to sign up, or you can donate via: https://www.justgiving.com/page/joyce-shorley-2. Thank you from Pizza Club.

ECO CHURCH – Eco hints – A reminder about 'No Mow May'. This provides a chance for wildflowers to bloom and long grasses a chance to grow to provide a feast, home and shelter for wildlife. This also helps to reduce heat retention as well as soak up excess water.

SERMONS. Most of our sermons are recorded and made available at: www.eastmercia-methodists.org.uk/churches I/marketharborough/recent-servicesaudio.html. Make sure your audio volume is on and select "play" on the one you wish to listen to!

The offering for Sunday 11 May was £1285.65.

The next Notices will be for the week commencing Sunday 25 May 2025

Please pass your information, by noon on Thursday 22 May 2025, to the Bloodworths (01858 463333/simonbloodworth@icloud.com).

Please do remember that the Notices are only as accurate as the information submitted (or not submitted) and, even then, might not be!

REV ANDREW MURPHY'S SABBATICAL – for pastoral support, or if there are any concerns, please contact:

- Rev Nathan Falla (Superintendent Minister) officially in pastoral charge of the Church - 07930 396813, the first contact in emergencies or urgent safeguarding matters.
- Clare Pickering (Church and Community Chaplain) 07707 812264, for anyone requiring a visit.

For other concerns or enquiries contact your pastoral visitor, or

- Margaret Cox (Pastoral Secretary) 01858 466942
- Rev Trevor Thomas 01858 461455
- Caroline Osborne (Safeguarding Officer) 07534 465611
- talk to the Stewards at Church, who will all be able to help (or point you in the right direction).