

ASHLEY METHODIST CHURCH

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WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS at 10.30am

GROWING IN FAITH & WORSHIP WE WORK TOGETHER TO SERVE & CARE FOR ALL

SUNDAY 5th JANUARY 2025 – REV. ROGER BAKER – Covenant Service

Bible readings: Isaiah 60 vv1-6; Matthew 2 vv 1-12

We warmly welcome you to our covenant service today. If this is your first time here we look forward to meeting you over coffee or tea after our service. May 2025 for you be filled with the love of Christ and bring many blessings.

ENVELOPE GIVING. New envelopes are ready for collection by the entrance.

BLORE HISTORY SOCIETY. Next meeting Monday 13th January at 7.30pm here. The princes in the tower, a talk by Carl Holdcroft. All are welcome.

BURNS NIGHT SUPPER AND CEILIDH, Saturday 1st February at Knighton Village Hall. Details are on the notice board.

DO YOU ENJOY SINGING? Market Drayton Choral Society is looking for new members to take part in a new choral work by Colin Sell & Chris Lowe. Details are on the notice board.

CHRISTIAN AID suggests a new year resolution: make or refresh your will. They offer free legal assistance. A donation to Christian Aid would be very welcome but not obligatory. Details are on the notice board.

COMPASSION JAR. Our donations of small change help to support 2 children – Kevine aged 7 in Rwanda & William aged 6 in Guatemala. The collection jar is by the entrance. Our current total is £56.76. Thank you. Every penny counts!

MARKET DRAYTON FOODBANK. There is a list of items required on the notice board. Gifts can be left at Loggerheads Co-op. Thank you. More information on the website: <https://marketdrayton.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

ROTA FOR SUNDAY 12th JANUARY 2025 at 10.30am – REV. DAVID WILLIS

JUNIOR CHURCH meets on the first Sunday in the month. Children are always made welcome here & we have provision for them at every service.

BIBLE STUDY. Our next meeting is on Thursday 8th January 2025, 10-11.30am in church. We shall conclude our study of Women in the Old Testament & choose a new topic for study. We are a very informal & all welcoming group. Why not start the new year by giving us a try?

ONLINE PRAYERS take place on Mondays at 7-7.30pm. Zoom details: ID: 918 5917 6065 Passcode: 438347

FAMILY CONCERNS. We pray for the recently bereaved, for healing and comfort for all who are stressed or unwell and for their carers. We ask for blessing and guidance for all our young people in 2025 and for guidance, unity and peace in our church, our circuit and the world.

THE LORD SAYS... THE NEW COVENANT THAT I WILL MAKE WITH THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL WILL BE THIS: I WILL PUT MY LAW WITHIN THEM AND WRITE IT ON THEIR HEARTS. I WILL BE THEIR GOD AND THEY WILL BE MY PEOPLE. NONE WILL HAVE TO TEACH HIS FELLOW COUNTRYMAN TO KNOW THE LORD, BECAUSE ALL WILL KNOW ME, FROM THE LEAST TO THE GREATEST. I WILL FORGIVE THEIR SINS AND I WILL NO LONGER REMEMBER THEIR WRONGS.

(Jeremiah 31 vv 33-34)

CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART, O GOD, AND RENEW A RIGHT SPIRIT WITHIN ME. GIVE ME THE JOY OF YOUR HELP AGAIN AND STRENGTHEN ME WITH A WILLING SPIRIT.

(Methodist Covenant Service)