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South Warwickshire Circuit

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Superintendent Minister: Rev Dr Iain Ballard

Dear Friends,

In times like these when we are witnessing the traumas and suffering of people in other parts of the world via our televisions, laptops and phones, it's easy to feel overwhelmed. The natural response is to want to do all we can to help, but we may not know what to do. That's where the aptly named Methodist international development and relief organisation, All We Can, comes in.

Along with the Global Relationships Team of the Methodist Church in Britain, All We Can was quick to set up an emergency appeal in response to the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine. It also runs non-urgent initiatives such as providing agricultural training in Zimbabwe to enable families to rebuild their lives, one step at a time.

All We Can's mission is to work "through partnership alongside our global neighbours most impacted by disasters, poverty and injustice to enable flourishing and resilient communities".

Set up by a group of Methodists answering the call of refugees in Europe in the 1930s, it pioneers sustainable, locally-owned solutions in response to John Wesley's call to:

"Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can."

Of course, All We Can needs financial support, but it asks primarily for prayer support for its work. That is something we all can do.

Janet Mee Circuit steward

All We Can, website: www.allwecan.org.uk, telephone: 020 7467 5132

Reminder: Dial - a - Prayer, Methodist Church

Listen to a prayer: 0808 281 2514 Listen to news: 0808 281 2478

Sunday Worship and Daily Prayers

There are plenty of opportunities to join in worship if you have the internet, eg Methodist Central Hall (London) streams worship each Sunday at 11:00 am (https://mchw.live/)

Livestreaming of worship takes place at other venues associated with the Connexion – see https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/worship/singing-the-faith-plus/seasons-and-themes/worship-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/

for more details.

Circuit Service

The Circuit now provides a pre-recorded service each month (on the first Sunday of the month), via YouTube, Facebook and our website – see below for details:

Please access the YouTube video by clicking the following link or typing it into your browser:

tinyurl.com/SWCplaylist

or if this doesn't work, try the long version:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLzyDSCOYMtQvpCroUvvxjE93MqkTWQomY

If you regularly watch the Circuit Service, do consider subscribing to the Channel.

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SW.Methodist/

Website: www.methodist-swc.org.uk

Additional pre-recorded services will be provided by the Circuit for special feasts (Easter, Christmas etc)

A full text of the pre-recorded service is available on the website, and is being sent by post to all those people who do not use the Internet so they can join in too.

In intervening weeks, the Circuit will be using the service provided by the Methodist Church.

TV & radio opportunities for worship:

Radio 4, Sunday Worship, Sunday 8:10am,
Radio 4 Long Wave, Daily Service, 9.45am Mon-Fri,
Radio 3, Choral Evensong, Sunday 3pm.

BBC 1, Songs of Praise, Sunday 1:15pm
(The times of the TV services can alter, please check the times)

Daily prayers at 10am are led by members of the circuit via zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/328494818 - all zoom meetings are now protected by password – please contact Michael Sharman (see below) for the password. All members of the Circuit are invited to join, **you do not need a zoom account to join.** You can also join by **telephone.** Please contact Michael Sharman on 07412 401988 if you'd like help getting in.

Pastoral Support

A reminder that if you are in pastoral need of any kind please contact your own Minister direct by email or phone. We may also be able to arrange practical help with shopping and so on. Our details are below.

If in any doubt, please contact Rev Dr Iain Ballard and he will link you up with help locally to you.

Rev Dr Iain Ballard (Day off – Friday)	07368 875790	iain.ballard@methodist.org.uk
Rev Sally Jones (Day off – Monday; Study day – Friday)	01926 740846	sally.jones@methodist.org.uk
Rev. Jeongsook Kim (Day off – Tuesday)	Rev Jeongsook is on sabbatical until 31 st May 2022	
Rev. Audrey Simpson (Day off – Friday)	01789 267971	revaes@gmail.com
Rev. Jemima Strain (Part-time)	07969 345389	jemima.strain@methodist.org.uk
Rev. Richard Wilde (Part-time)	07971 218356	revrichardwilde@gmail.com,

Keep safe. Keep caring. Keep praying. With every blessing to you and yours.

The Ministers and Stewards of the South Warwickshire Methodist Circuit of Churches