



Cole Street Methodist Church

February 2026 Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to our monthly Church Newsletter.

Take a look in this edition to see what is happening in the life of Cole Street and in the wider Dudley & Netherton Circuit. Remember to keep a check on our website and social media pages for the latest updates and news across the coming month. You are welcome to join us online via our social pages as well as at church in person.



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Please consider the environment. Could you recycle your newsletter or, even better, pass it onto someone else to read?

'A warm welcome awaits you at our Church.'

Regular Activities

Mondays	9:00am & 10:30am	Slimming World*
Wednesdays	1:00pm	Toddler Group
	7:00pm/7:30pm	AA Group*
Thursdays	10:30am	Zumba*
Fridays	6:00pm	Circuit Youth Group (check calendar)
Saturdays	10:00am	Working Party
Sundays	10:30am	Morning Worship & Sunday School
	6:00pm	Evening Circuit Service (check location)

* = external group hiring our facilities

Dates for your diary

Friday 6th February | 6:00pm | Circuit Youth Group
 Wednesday 11th February | 11:00am | Prayer Meeting (at St. James')
 Sunday 15th February | 10:30am | All-age, Café Church Service
 Tuesday 17th February | 1:30pm | Holiday Club – Nature
 Friday 20th February | 6:00pm | Circuit Youth Group
 Saturday 21st February | 10:00am | Working Party
 Saturday 28th February | 10:00am | Breakfast Morning
 Tuesday 3rd March | 7:00pm | Church Council

Please remember in your prayers...

June Smith, Alice Parker, Graham Brain, Marion Davies, Anne Farrell, Steven Bridgewater, Hilda Bick, Mark Wood, Emma Bailey, Mabel Spence, Angie Hill and Ian Cadman.

Please pray for all those known to us individually who are ill or in need at this time.

Birthdays, Celebrations & Congratulations

A very happy birthday from all the Cole Street family to the following people who are celebrating their special day during February (date in brackets):

Stephen (14th) & Evie T (25th)

A very happy birthday to you all and may God Bless each of you.





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View our Sunday Order of Service(s) online via our website

You will notice a 'QR' code pinned to the welcome desk when you arrive on Sundays. If you scan this graphic with your smartphone's camera, you will be able to view the order of service(s) for that Sunday and be able to follow along during the service or view this in advance of the service.

Alternatively, you can visit: www.colestreetchurch.org.uk/order-of-service

Preaching Plan

February 2026

01.02.26 - 4th Sunday after Epiphany - The Presentation of the Lord

10:30am - Morning Worship led by Kevin Gripton (inc. Sunday School)

6:00pm - Sunday@6 at Central led by Andrew Biggs

08.02.26 - 5th Sunday after Epiphany

10:30am - Morning Worship led by Astley Blake (inc. Sunday School)

6:00pm - Evening Circuit Worship at St. James' led by Revd. David Alford

15.02.26 - 1st Sunday before Lent - The Transfiguration

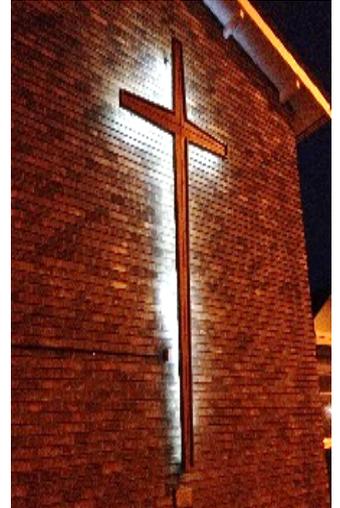
10:30am - All-age, Cafe Church led by Revd. Helen Croft

6:00pm - Evening Circuit Worship at Woodside led by Brian Roberts

22.02.26 - 1st Sunday in Lent

10:30am - Morning Communion Worship led by Peter Roberts (inc. Sunday School)

6:00pm - Evening Circuit Worship at Cole Street led by Martin Rider



Flower Rota – February 2026

February 1 | by Jean Ellis & Jill Parrish in memory of Bert Parrish

February 8 | by Liz Ralph in memory of Anne & John Priest

February 15 | available for dedication

February 22 | available for dedication

The flower rota for the forthcoming year (to August 2026) is available to view on our website. Please look at the slots assigned for the year. If you would like to change dates, would like to fill any available slots, or would like to provide flowers for church and don't currently, please speak to or email Wendy.

Circuit Dates / Notices

Circuit Prayer Meeting – Wednesday 11th February at 11am at St. James'

Holiday Club – Tuesday 17th February – 1:30pm – 3:30pm

Our holiday club is back for February half term and will run on Tuesday 17th February between 1:30pm and 3:30pm. For just a contribution of £2 per child, the family can enjoy a range of creative activities and games as well as a time for juice and snacks (tea and coffee or the adults!) and a time to socialise during the school holidays. The theme will be nature. We look forward to welcoming you. For more details, please visit our website: www.colestreetchurch.org.uk/holiday-club



FoodBank

We continue to collect donations towards the work of the Black Country Food Bank. Please place your physical donation into the box which can be found on the stage front.

If you prefer, you can make a monetary donation online on their Just Giving page: www.justgiving.com/blackcountryfoodbank
Please continue to support the Food Bank if you are able. Our thanks again to Liz & Gary for transporting our donations to the office in Brierley Hill. Thank you to everyone who supports our collections.

In the month of December '25, we donated 36.2kgs of food and 3.5kgs of non-food which created 73 meals and 4 toiletry packs.

In total for 2025, we gave 307.4kgs of food, 17kg of non-food as well as £157 to the foodbank. This created an incredible 630 meals and 26 toiletry packs. Thank you for your generosity.

See the shopping list to the right for the latest shortages →
Take a look at our FUNdraising Board to see what we have donated over the year to date!

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<input type="checkbox"/>	LONG LIFE MILK
<input type="checkbox"/>	1LTR CARTONS OF LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE
<input type="checkbox"/>	TINNED MEAT (HOT DOGS/CORNER BEEF)
<input type="checkbox"/>	TINNED VEG
<input type="checkbox"/>	PACKETS OF MASH POTATO
<input type="checkbox"/>	TINNED FRUIT
<input type="checkbox"/>	JARS OF PASTA SAUCE/COOKING SAUCE
<input type="checkbox"/>	BREAKFAST CEREAL
<input type="checkbox"/>	RICE
<input type="checkbox"/>	CUP A SOUPS
<input type="checkbox"/>	BARS OF SOAP
<input type="checkbox"/>	SHAMPOO
<input type="checkbox"/>	TOILET ROLL
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**Remember to keep in touch with what is happening round the Circuit by visiting the website:
www.dudleymethodist.org.uk**

The Dudley & Netherton Methodist Circuit is about the Methodist people of God around Dudley and Netherton.

Information about the Circuit includes:

- Information about the churches in our circuit,
- Where to find the church in our circuit,
- A calendar showing what's going on throughout the circuit in events,
- News articles about upcoming and past events,
- The preaching plan,
- And much, much more.



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BREAKFAST MORNING

Come along for a friendly chat, bric-a-brac stall & a bostin' breakfast raising money towards church funds!

Saturday 28th February
10:00am – 11:30am

*please advise us of any dietary requirements when ordering.
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Breakfast Morning Saturday 28th February, 10am

Join us for Breakfast on Saturday 28th February between 10am and 11:30am.

Over the coming weeks, a donation sheet will be placed on the hymnbook case for if you are able to supply donations of food for the event. If you would rather, we also seek donations of money in lieu so we can buy items ready for the event. We look forward to our first fundraiser of the year!

Please share this event and bring friends along – it's always a lovely time of fellowship with a great atmosphere.



Working Party & Property

We continue to meet to help clean & maintain our church on Saturdays at 10am. It is a great time of fellowship as well as 'getting jobs done' and always includes a warm drink (or juice!) and a chocolate or biscuit (or three!). Thanks to those who assemble on a Saturday who keep the property looking spic and span.

Any help at any of the working parties will be very much appreciated. For more info, speak to our Property Secretary: David Moss.

The next dedicated working party is on Saturday 21st February 2026 at 10am where the focus will be on tidying of areas and deeper clean of the kitchen. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

'But Sunday is Coming...'. Easter Experience 2026 is go!

Easter 2026 will mark 20 years since Cole Street and friends met to host what became the first of a series of 'Easter Experiences' – retelling the story of Passion Week through performance. David M has written a play titled, 'But Sunday is Coming' and it seems we have growing support to be able to mark this again this year. If you would like to be involved, please do come along on Thursdays at 7pm. There are opportunities to be in a choir, act (with or without singing) or provide support backstage. It is very inclusive and there is something for anyone who wishes to help. For more info, please speak to David M.

**BUT
SUNDAY
IS COMING!**
A Retelling of the Passion Story

Experience the powerful story of Jesus' final days —
told with honesty, reflection, and hope.

Maundy Thursday
2nd April
7:00pm

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A thoughtful retelling that journeys through betrayal, sacrifice, and sorrow —
while holding on to the promise that Sunday is coming.

+ Free Event • All Are Welcome +

Come, listen, reflect, and remember.



COLE STREET CHURCH 2026 FUNDRAISING EVENTS

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28 FEBRUARY
BREAKFAST MORNING | 10:00AM

20 MARCH
MOVIE NIGHT & CHIP SUPPER | 6:30PM

24 APRIL
SKITTLES NIGHT | 6:30PM

09 MAY
CHARITY COFFEE MORNING | 10:30AM

13 JUNE
SUMMER FAYRE & TABLE TOP SALE | 10:30AM

03 JULY
QUIZ NIGHT! | 7:00PM

12 SEPTEMBER
MINI FAYRE | 10:30AM

17 OCTOBER
BREAKFAST MORNING | 10:00AM

28 NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS FAYRE | 11:00AM

11 DECEMBER
CHRISTMAS MOVIE NIGHT | 6:30PM





Our Mission Statement – Being Christ-like as best as we can!

The calling of the church is to respond to the gospel of God's love in church and in the following ways:

- through worship, increasing the awareness of God's presence and to celebrate God's love,
- through learning and caring to help people grow as Christians,
- through service by being a good neighbour to people and to challenge injustice,
- and through evangelism by making more followers of God.

We also seek to support the other churches within the Dudley & Netherton Circuit and seek to manage our financial and material resources in a responsible manner, ensuring the fabric of the building is appropriately maintained to afford a safe place in the heart of our community.

We seek to ensure a warm and sincere welcome to new individuals attending church and to provide an environment in which we achieve active Christian worship. Daily, we strive to demonstrate the love of God by forging closer and continued links with the local community and by working collaboratively with other denominations to proclaim the good news of God, our Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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