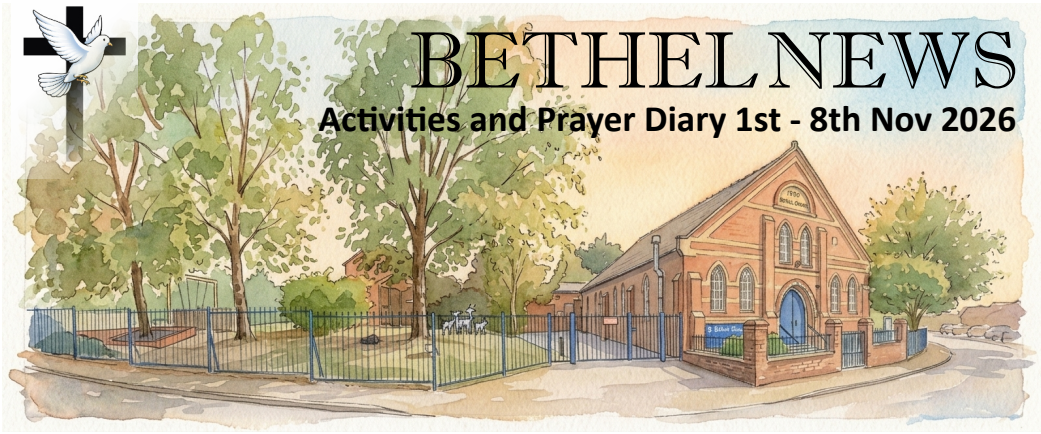

BETHEL NEWS

Activities and Prayer Diary 1st - 8th Nov 2026

Day	Date	Time	What's On
Sunday	1	10.30am	Morning Service *Incl. Cake Bake Sale*
		4.00pm	Evening Service *Incl. Cake Bake Sale*
Monday	2	8.30am	Little Lambs - Staff Only
		9.30am	Knit & Natter
		10.00am	Prayer Meeting
		11.30am	Craft Club
		4.30pm	Chess & Board Games Club
Tuesday	3	8.30am	Little Lambs Pre-School
		12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School
Wednesday	4	8.30am	Little Lambs Pre-School
		12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School
		12.30pm	Cornerstone
Thursday	5	8.30am	Little Lambs Pre-School
		9.00am	Little Acorns Toddler Group
		12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School
Friday	6	8.30am	Little Lambs Pre-School
		7.00pm	Skittles Evening
Saturday	7		
Sunday	8	10.30am	Morning Remembrance Service
		6.00pm	A Service of Remembrance

All streamed services can be found on YouTube at www.youtube.com/@BethelChapelLye/streams
and are also linked from our website www.bethelchapel.org.uk/news/

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PRAYERS

Please would you continue to hold before God the following:

Mike, Charlie, Jan, Joyce & Mike, Graeme, Mariann & Matthew, Harry, Paul, Natalie, Philip, Sharon, Lyra, Mila, Jacqui W, Johnny Bass, David & Valerie, Eileen & John, Pastor Jane, Lynda, Jacq; Beryl & Julie, Joyce, Arthur & Sylvia, Carl, Rachel & family, Nigel, Mike and baby Erin.
All our Sunday and Cornerstone bids.
All our children and young people and our Little Lambs and Little Acorns children and staff.
The volunteers and customers at Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent.

And for our world Lord, in so many areas and for so many situations - hear our prayers.

Next week is the full prayer update. If you have anyone on the prayer list, please let Jo, or Jane in the office, have your updates by FRIDAY MORNING at the latest.

BETHEL NEWS

Skittles Night

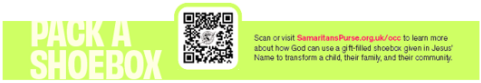
We are having a skittles night here at Bethel **next Friday 6th November** at 7pm. Cost is £6 to include a burger or hot dog with veggie/vegan option. Feel free to bring your own drinks but there will be tea, coffee and cold drinks available to buy. We will also be holding a raffle so don't forget to bring some change - and a strong arm! Last chance to sign up today so that we can plan for the catering.

Operation Christmas Child - Shoeboxes

Only **2 weeks to go** until the national collection week for the shoeboxes! We have lots of leaflets available, please collect more if you need them.

Bethel Chapel & Little Lambs Pre-School Centre
Hill Street, Wollescote, DY9 8TL
Local Collection Point – Times

Thursday 12th November – 12 noon – 2.00pm
Friday 13th November – 12 noon – 2.00pm
Saturday 14th November - 12.00 noon – 2.00pm
And before morning service on Sunday 15th November - 10.00 – 10.30am



If you have items suitable for a shoebox but don't want to make one up yourself, please let us have them and we can add them to the boxes the **children's groups will be making up next week** - or if you would like to buy some items to go into the children's shoeboxes, we have some items on the Amazon Wishlist marked up specifically for the shoeboxes - there is a link from the front page of our website - www.bethelchapel.net. We have some pre-printed shoeboxes if you would like one or more, to save

having to find and wrap your own! Please help yourself or let us know if you need one. We are again a local collection point for the shoeboxes, and collection week is **9th - 16th November**, but our last date for receiving them will be **Sunday 15th Nov**, as we will be taking them over to the national collection centre in Coventry on 16th, so we can set up for the Christmas Fayre!

Cake Bake Sale

Don't forget, **TODAY Sunday 1st November** at both morning and evening services, we have a Cake Bake Sale to raise funds to be able to have the Christmas tree and lovely flowers over the Christmas period.

Neon Party

Many thanks to those who arranged and came along to the Neon Party on Saturday evening, as an alternative to Halloween. We hope everyone had a fantastic time, more news next week!

Growing Together at Bethel

All our new clubs are now up and running, and it's wonderful to see new opportunities being created for our younger community here at Bethel. A huge thank you to everyone who has helped to set up and run these groups, giving their time, energy and enthusiasm to make them possible.

Here's a reminder of what's on offer:

MONDAYS – Chess & Board Games Club | 4.30pm–6.00pm. With Pastor Jill, this is open to everyone aged 1–100! Come along and enjoy a game of chess or try out some of our other board games. You're also very welcome to bring along your own favourite games.

FRIDAYS – Break Out | 6.30pm–8.30pm. Led by Jorja, Break Out is for young people in school years 6–11 (approximately ages 10–16).

FRIDAYS – Horizon Youth Group | From 8.00pm. Led by Reece, Horizon is for young people aged 16–22.

Both Break Out and Horizon will be joining us for the Skittles Evening next Friday, but will be back to their usual programmes the following week.

ONCE A MONTH – One Way Club. Our Saturday morning club for primary school children aged 5–11, led by Clare and her team. The next session is Saturday 14th November.

And, of course, we mustn't forget our Sunday morning **Pathfinders and Pathbreakers.** We would love to see many more children and young people joining us at our Sunday services.

Please pray with us that more children and young people will come along to Bethel, find a warm welcome, make new friends and, most importantly, get to know Jesus for themselves.

Please help us spread the word and invite along anyone you think might be interested. We have leaflets available, so do take one (or more!) to pass on to family, friends and neighbours.

If you would like further information about any of our groups, please speak to one of the leaders or contact the Bethel office.

At Bethel, our children and young people aren't the church of tomorrow – they are an important part of the church today. They belong, they matter, and they have just as much to contribute to our church family as anyone else. We want to encourage them to grow in faith, discover their gifts and feel that Bethel is a place where they are valued, welcomed and at home.

Many thanks for all you are doing so far and to everyone who has offered to help in any way, everything is greatly appreciated. There are **just over 3 weeks to go** to the Christmas Fayre!

Tuesday Morning Fayre Help

Each Tuesday, **10am – 2pm** between now and the fayre, someone will be at church sorting donated items and doing 'Fayre stuff'. If you are available any time on a Tuesday morning, please come and join them – it would make this task so much easier and quicker.

Grand Draw

- Please sell the Grand Draw tickets around your family and friends.
- There are plenty still available – please ask or pick some up from the box at the front of church if you need more.
- **REMEMBER – THERE ARE ONLY 5 TICKETS IN A BOOK THIS TIME!!**
- Please return both sold counterfoils and money, along with any unsold tickets, to Bethel by **Friday 20th November**.

Donations and Prizes

- The Grand Draw, Special Chocolates and Special Bottle lists still have a few items left on each, if you would like to sign up to donate a prize.
- When you bring in your prize, please **clearly mark** it for the appropriate stall, with your name on, and leave it in the office so it can be ticked off the lists.
- If you can't remember what you signed up for, please check the boards or call the office before you buy items, as any gaps have to be bought with the donations money if the wrong items are brought in.

Donations Towards Costs

- Thank you to everyone who has pledged to make donations towards the costs of the fayre – this currently stands at **around £750**. This will really help towards the more expensive items we have to buy e.g. pork, chocolates, wine and other bottles, Santa gifts, prizes for games, Makro items, drinks and other miscellaneous items such as cellophane wrap and table coverings! The donations board is still available if you have not had chance to see it yet. If you have pledged any money, please bring it in **ASAP** as we are already spending on some essential items.

Urgently Required!

Bottles

- **Bottles for Bottle Stall** – both alcohol and non-alcohol, including 'mid-range' e.g. bubble bath, soft drinks, sauces, etc. and particularly the 2 litre bottles of pop.
- Please bring these in **as soon as possible,** so that we can stop worrying about the amount coming in and not buy extra bottles.
- We need to know how many we have to work with by **Sunday 15th November.**
- If we all bring in a few each in the next couple of weeks, that will be really helpful.

Toys & Cuddlies

- Please sort out your toys and **cuddlies** as soon as possible so they can go for sorting and wrapping.
- Thank you to those who have already volunteered for wrapping.
- If anyone else would like to join in (cellophane and sticky tape provided!), please let the office know.
- If you are taking items for wrapping, could you store them and bring them **back to church on Monday 16th November if possible** please?

Chocolate

- In addition to the Special Chocolates, any donations of other chocolate and sweets please – anything goes that is in date!
- Look out for any special offers in shops for the bargains – please let us know where the bargains are if you spot any good prices!
- Also need some Advent Calendars if you can get any at reasonable prices.

Other Items Still Needed

- Nice quality gifts
- Items for Tombola stall
- Christmas/sparkly clothes
- Home-made cakes (on Saturday 21st please) (we have allergen stickers available)
- Handmade crafts, including the winter warmers & Christmas crafts.

Could You Ask for a Donation?

Do you use a restaurant or service (hairdressers, nail bar, etc.) regularly that you could ask for a donation of a service from? We have letters you can use, please ask for a copy if you can think of anywhere that you could use one.

Volunteers – There's Still Time!

Thanks to **everyone who has signed up to volunteer.** If you haven't volunteered yet, there is still time to add your name today. There are lots of areas in which you can help before, during or after the fayre (washing or wrapping toys or cuddlies at home, tidying up after the fayre, charity shop trips and tip runs, etc.) If you haven't done it before, it's hard work but lots of fun – so come along and get involved!

Bank Transfer Option

If you would prefer to pay for either your Grand Draw tickets, or donation board amount by bank transfer, this is fine – just remember to change your reference to either **Tickets or Donation** so that we can allocate it correctly. We can print out tickets for you if you do it this way, rather than completing the counterfoils.

Bank: TSB Sort Code: 30-93-75
Account Number: 00331844 Name: Bethel Chapel A/C

Thank you so much for all you are doing and continue to do Working Together in His Service

Bethel's Vision:

To turn the lost into the found & the faithless into the faithful

Rota	This Week 1st Nov	Next Week 8th Nov
Sunday Door Welcome	Denise Branson	Jacqui Davies
Flowers Arranged by	Ann & Alan	Clare & Jorja
Sunday Morning Cuppa	Jon Wilding	Mariann Smith
Sunday Morning Vaccing	Maureen Leonard	Reece Faulkner

Prayer & Fasting Rota		
Sunday	1	Mariann Smith
Monday	2	Jo Rowan
Tuesday	3	Nigel Cook
Wednesday	4	Mal Hawker
Thursday	5	Maureen Leonard
Friday	6	Jacq Shilton
Saturday	7	Jill Berry
Sunday	8	Jane Hart

The flowers in church this week have been provided by

Joyce Barratt
in thanks for her
80th birthday

Total Tithes & Offerings for week commencing Oct 25th: £719.03