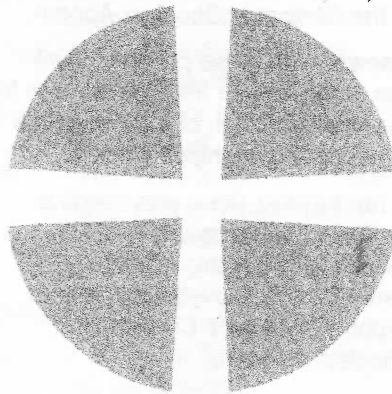


Broadwell mail

*Church and community
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**October & November
2017**



BROADWELL METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: The Rev'd Charity Madenyika – 01455 203546

(Day off: Friday. Study day: Monday)

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From the Editor

In this issue we carry a tribute to Irene Woodward, who died on 21st August. One of the many charitable things that Irene did during her life was to initiate Broadwell's donations to the Christmas Shoebox Appeal.

Elsewhere in these pages you will see an appeal for filled shoeboxes for this year's appeal, or for a donation to help with the shipping costs.

In her heyday, Irene was sending almost 100 shoeboxes from the village. What better way of remembering a lovely lady than to support this year's Christmas Shoebox Appeal...

Also in this issue you will see a request from Nigel Higgs to send him your e-mail address so that he can keep you informed of Neighbourhood Watch news.

NHW is an excellent scheme that has a proven track record in protecting communities. Under the leadership of Rosemary Chapman, and then Adrian Denham, much has been achieved. Do send your details to Nigel so that he can continue the good work.

Keith Read.
Temporary Editor.

Suggested Bible Readings:

October: 1st, Ezekiel 18 vv 1-4 & 25-32 & Matthew 21 vv 23-32; **8th,** Isaiah 5 vv 1-7 & Matthew 21 vv 33-46; **15th,** Isaiah 25 vv 1-9 & Matthew 22 vv 1-14; **22nd,** Isaiah 45 vv 1-7 & Matthew 22 15-22; 29th, Leviticus 19 vv 1,2 & 15-18 & Matthew 22 vv 34-46.

November: 5th, Micah 3 vv 5-12 &

Your news for the December/January edition:

Please ensure all news and contributions reach Keith Read by Friday 17th November at the very latest. Printing is scheduled for Saturday 25th November.

But please do send Keith any news or other contributions at any time. Early copy always gets a good showing! His e-mail address is:

keithrread@aol.com (Take care to get two Rs in the middle!) Or jot down your contribution and drop it in at Hawthorn Cottage.

Many thanks.

Matthew 23 vv 1-12; **12th,** Amos 5 vv 18-24 & Matthew 25 vv 1-13; **19th,** Zephaniah 1 vv 7 & 12-18 & Matthew 25 vv 14-30; **26th,** Ezekiel 34 vv 11-16 & 20-24 & Matthew 25 vv 31-46.

Remember in Prayer:

We pray for those who are ill or anxious, at home or in hospital. We continue to remember especially Charles Olorenshaw and Gladys Collett.

We think of those coming to terms with the death of loved ones, thinking especially of the family of Irene Woodward.

We remember those whose lives are filled with fear and despair; those affected by extreme weather conditions and earthquakes; the victims of violence and injustice and all who have had to flee from their homes. May all in need find comfort, strength and freedom in the love of Christ.

We pray for the church in every land, for our Methodist Church and other local Churches, that members may serve and worship with reverence and joy.

We pray for the life of the world and those who exercise power; may we all learn to live as members of a humble family; to reject the ways of war; to bear each other's burdens and to work together for justice and peace.

Lord, in Your Mercy – Hear our Prayers.

Coffee mornings:

Our next Coffee Mornings will be held on October 11th and November 8th at the usual time of 10.30am until 12-noon.

We are delighted to see anyone who cares to join us at Broadwell Methodist Chapel Schoolroom on the second Wednesday of the month, if only for a short time, for coffee/tea and light refreshments and, of course, a friendly chat.



These informal gatherings provide an opportunity to meet and get to know one another a little better.

Over Sixties' Club:

On October 25th our guest speaker will be Ruth Styles who will be telling us about her collection of Bibles. The meeting will be at the Parish Hall at 2.30pm.

On November 29th, Alan Winterburn will be paying a return visit at 2pm, when he will be revealing more little-known facts about Warwickshire.

Please note the change of time for the start of the meeting following the altering of clocks from summer time.

New members and friends are welcome to join us at any of our meetings, which are normally held at Leamington Hastings Parish Hall.

Annual Church Meeting:

The annual Church Meeting and Church Council Meeting will be held at the Chapel schoolroom on Tuesday 17th October at 7.30pm

Trustees of Broadwell Green & Hall:

After a few months' rest over the summer, the committee are now organising future events. The next two are: **Saturday 14th October**, Coffee Morning in the Victory Hall, 10-12 noon. As well as lovely cakes there will be a small raffle and a bring-and-buy stall. Hope you can come along and join us for a chat and enjoy some refreshments.

On **Saturday 25th November** our Christmas Fayre will be held in the Victory Hall starting at 2pm.

Unfortunately, Santas pony is now very old and cannot pull his trap. But Santa will still be with us in his grotto with lovely presents for the children.. As usual we will have some lovely stalls including tombola and a raffle. Also refreshments will be available throughout the Fayre.

Please come along to both the above events. Don't forget, together with Broadwell Flower Show we are raising funds to pay for a defibrillator for the village.

Stuart Barrie.

WE DO NOT HAVE A LETTER FROM OUR MINISTER FOR THIS ISSUE. INSTEAD, WE PRINT THE POEM THAT THE WOODWARD FAMILY ASKED ROSEMARY CHAPMAN TO READ DURING IRENE'S FUNERAL SERVICE. IT'S BY DICK UNDERWOOD, WHO DESCRIBES HIMSELF AS A FUNERAL HELPER. HIS WORDS MIGHT COMFORT THE FAMILIES OF THOSE WHO SUFFER FROM -- AND DIE WITH -- DEMENTIA...

You didn't die just recently,
You died some time ago.
Although your body stayed a while,
And didn't really know.

For you had got Alzheimer s,
You failed to comprehend.
Your body went on living.
But your mind had reached its end.

So we've already said, Goodbye ,
To the person that we knew.
The person that we truly loved,
The person that was, You .

And so we meet again today,
To toast your bodies end.
For it was true and faithful,
Until right at the end.

And so, when we remember,
We'll think of all the rest.
We'll concentrate on earlier,
And remember all the best.

For in the real scheme of things,
Your illness wasn't long.
Compared to all the happiness,
You brought your whole life long.

We think of you as yesterday,
When you were fit and well.
And when we're asked about you,
It's those things that we'll tell.

And so we meet in remembrance,
Of a mind so fit and true.
We're here to pay our last respects
To say that, We love you .

' (2010) Dick Underwood.

Irene Lilian Woodward

20th January 1930–21st August 2017

Irene, who lived most of her life in Broadwell, was born in Birmingham. Childhood was not easy, but she trained as a nurse at the city's eye hospital. Helping others was a passion that was to last throughout her life.

Attention to detail, especially the curls in her own hair, and a move to Coventry led to Irene becoming a mobile hairdresser.

She met and married Gordon, moved to Broadwell where she raised and cared for her family, and threw herself into village life. One of her hobbies was making corn dollies, a skill she taught to many of the village youngsters. Many homes in the village still have those corn dollies.

She was a supporter of Brooke School in Rugby and Mencap, dedications that grew from her compassion for those with disabilities – compassion that was continuously illustrated while caring for Simon, one of her sons, who was born with Down's Syndrome. But Irene's desire to help others did not rest at home: she got to hear about Christmas Shoeboxes for orphaned and disadvantaged children overseas... Before long she had villagers filling shoeboxes, a tradition that still continues to this day.

Irene's love for the Chapel was unquestionable. She spent many hours there in quiet contemplation and she took her turn on the cleaning and flowers rotas. When her health first deteriorated with the onset of dementia, Gordon cared for her at home until it became too much for him and Irene went to Sedlescombe Care Home in Rugby. There, according to her family, she was treated like a Queen. Later, when life became difficult for Gordon, he joined her at Sedlescombe where he died in October last year.

The editor thanks Irene's daughter, Sue Muller, for help preparing this tribute.

Harvest Thanksgiving:

It was good to welcome back Deacon Janet Thomas, who led our service on 24th September.

We thank all who donated gifts for the Food Bank and also for the fruit and flowers to decorate the Chapel. I am sure that all who joined us for our harvest supper the following day found it a very enjoyable evening.

Almost 40kg of food has been taken to Rugby Food Bank. Proceeds from the supper amounted to £293-85 for church funds. A decision will be made at out

annual meeting regarding the £105 raised at the auction.

Thank you to all the helpers at our Harvest Celebrations – many hands really do make light work!

Sylvia Toole.

Chapel Anniversary:

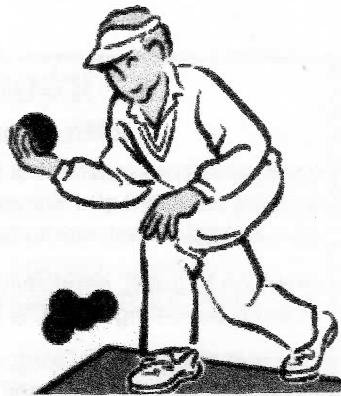
Our special anniversary service will be held on Sunday 22nd October at 11am.

The service will be led by Rev'd David Collinson. A warm welcome is extended to all.

LH Bowls Club News

By Susan Turner

A warm welcome to Darren, Len, Les and Pauline! Thank you for playing during our outdoor season. We hope you will continue with us during the indoor season. Two young people and their Mum also joined us for a few Wednesday roll-ups and they all did very well. We would like to invite them, and anyone else, to come and play every Wednesday at 7pm at the Leamington Hastings Parish Hall. Flat shoes and comfortable clothing is all that you need.



Club members have done well this season, playing 16 matches, winning nine and drawing one. Well done everyone! Win or lose, home or away, we always seem to have fun with no pressure, lots of encouragement (some teasing!), some good weather, good exercise and always good company. Then there are the refreshments... Thank you to the ladies who provide the fabulous teas after our home matches. Also, thanks to the team that keep the green in good order despite what the often unseasonal weather can throw at our bowling green adjacent to the hall and tennis court.

We held several events through the season to raise funds for charity and for the club. All were well attended and a huge thank-you to everyone that joined in. The Lyle Watts Day on Saturday 2nd September raised £400 in aid of Myton Hospice.

Our last outdoor match in 2017 was the Ladies-v-Gents, which was followed by our splendid fish-and-chips supper to round off the evening and the outdoor season. Many thanks to The Harvester in Long Itchington.

Work started in September to improve the bowling green. We all enjoyed the challenges of the green this year (thanks to the lack of rain in the spring!) However, floodlights, an underground irrigation system and a new pavilion are, sadly, a long way off!!

If you would like to share in all the fun, exercise and good company that we enjoy, please do come and join us on Wednesday evenings. It would be lovely to see you. If you'd like further information, or have any questions, please call me on 01788 336913. In particular, make a note that our next Skittles Evening is on Friday 20th October. Ticket price is £8.50 and includes food, tea and coffee (or bring your own drinks). There are prizes for the winning team and a raffle. Tickets are available from Pat Toole on 01926 632874.

Music at the other Leamington's All Saints Parish Church...

The principal conductor of the Warwickshire Symphony Orchestra, Roger Coull, will be tuning his violin to join the orchestra as a soloist in their next concert. He will perform Mozart's Violin Concerto no 3 in addition to his normal conducting role. The concert, on Saturday 14 October, is at All Saints Church, **Leamington Spa**, and will also feature Shostakovich's masterpiece, Symphony No 7 in C, also known as the Leningrad Symphony. It is 75 years since it was first performed during the 872-day siege of Leningrad in the second world war.

Neighbourhood Watch in Broadwell

By Nigel Higgs

Firstly, I would like to thank Adrian Denham for his valuable work in co-ordinating our Neighbourhod Watch. Due to his health issues I shall be taking over. To enable me to contact everyone in Broadwell I need e-mail addresses for those of you in the village who would like to be sent information from the Community Police Team about issues that concern us and our local community. Please send your e-mail address to: **nigelhiggs72@hotmail.com**

I will forward anything that I receive and you can send me anything that concerns you and that you would like passing on to the police.

I would also ask you to continue to be vigilant as there have been attempted break-ins and thefts from properties and cars over the past few weeks.

Broadwell Summer Show:

Prior to this year's summer show I was checking the weather forecast regularly. The signs were that show day was likely to be a fairly poor with rain forecast for most of the day.

On the day we did suffer a sudden downpour just before the show was due to start. But this cleared up fairly quickly and, for the rest of the day, we had a reasonably pleasant time.

The number of people seemed to be quite small as the show got under way, quite possibly due to the rain. But numbers slowly grew and, by the time the auction started, there was quite a crowd. We did have another downpour at the end of the auction as I was trying to draw the raffle and despite me bellowing at the top of my lungs the rain on the marquee was so loud that I couldn't be heard!

It is always really good to see friends and neighbours at the show. It is a real social event for people to meet, chat and compete to see who has the biggest this or the tastiest that. As

was mentioned in the last piece in this magazine, for the past 98 years the Broadwell Summer Show has always been a community event that gets everyone together and, hopefully, this was the case again this year.

Despite the weather and the slow start the draft accounts produced by our Treasurer, Helen Hargreaves, show that we have made a small profit of around £300. The Flower Show committee will be making a donation to the fund that will be used to provide a defibrillator for the village.

As always, I would like to thank the team of people who helped to set up the show... everyone that came to the show and supported us... all of you who entered items to be judged... and, of course, all the committee members. Without everyone's help and support the show would not take place. So a heartfelt thank-you to everyone.

Martin Wibberley.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL 2017

By Chrissy Read

Our local shoebox co-ordinators, Rachel and Fred Smith, tell me that it was a chance conversation with a friend of a friend that prompted Irene Woodward to make up her first shoebox for a forgotten child somewhere across the world. That was 11 years ago and Irene, being the loving and generous person that she was, soon involved members of Broadwell Methodist Church and other friends and neighbours.

When Irene could no longer organise the local collection, I was happy to continue on her behalf.

There are very many organisations and charities these days that call on our generosity... But if you could manage to fill a shoebox (or more!) this year, a child living alone and in poverty would be profoundly grateful – and Irene's legacy will continue.

Leaflets have been distributed to every home in Broadwell. Boxes need to be ready by Friday 17th November. I have a supply of flat-pack boxes that you can make up if you don't have any regular-size empty shoeboxes available. Just give me a call on 01926 813603 and I'll pass them on.

If you feel unable to fill a box, but would still like to support this worthy cause, there are other ways in which you can help. By supplying contents for the boxes you will ensure that extra are sent from Broadwell. The leaflets describe the perfect filler items, many of which are readily available at modest prices. Also, if you happen to be a keen knitter, I could do with hats and mittens or gloves to go in the two-dozen boxes I plan to fill. Finally, a cash donation goes a long way towards the Teams4U charity's enormous costs in shipping the shoeboxes abroad.

Whatever you are able to do, your help is very much appreciated. And on behalf of the children to whom your generosity will bring great joy this Christmas, **THANK YOU!**

Leamington Hastings Parish Council

The council will next meet at 6.30pm on Monday, 20th November, at the Parish Hall, Hill. Members of the public are invited to attend when the main subject under discussion during the Open Forum ahead of the formal meeting will be the risk of flooding in Broadwell.

The measures taken in the past have shown on a number of occasions to be ineffective. A further suggestion from WCC is to apply for a grant for property-level protection such as air-brick covers, flood doors and barriers, for homes at risk. It would be supplied to properties, subject to a satisfactory survey.

Before applying, the Parish Council would very much appreciate hearing your comments and concerns.

The Leamington Hastings School Trust

The Leamington Hastings School Trust is open for Financial Grants. The Trust can provide financial assistance to encourage individuals or groups to develop interests and skills.

Applicants must fulfil the following conditions:

1. Under 25 years of age, resident in Leamington Hastings Parish.
2. At school or have been at school in maintained system for at least two years.
3. Must be for educational support: this includes social and physical training.
4. There is an emphasis in preparation for work in further education.

Grants will be awarded under the following categories:

- a: To provide support for the young people of our parish who are on;
- i) An instruction course
 - ii) A recreational opportunity.
 - iii) An educational visit.
- b: Remainder to be used to support those who express a difficulty in meeting the expenses of their continuing education. Each applicant to be supported by a reference from a Tutor or Instructor and a statement of the expenses to be met on the form provided.

Application forms are available from:

Mr A. Allen, Hill Farm, Hill, Leamington Hastings, Rugby, CV23 8DX or
Mrs S Toole, Old House Farm, Hill, Rugby, CV23 8DX...

...and should be returned by **23rd October 2017.**

United Community Service:

The Ecumenical Community Service held in the marquee on Broadwell Green, led by The Rev'd Charity Madenyika and Dr Alec Parker, was as usual a very friendly gathering, which was well attended on a rather chilly damp morning.

The collection taken amounted to £136 and donations for coffee served after the service added a further £10. After deducting £25 towards the cost of the marquee £121 was divided between All Saints Church and Broadwell Methodist Church. The money will be given to a charitable organisation.

Many thanks to to Beryl, Betty, Glenys and Jen for serving coffee in the Victory Hall after the service.

Sylvia Toole.

Anglican services & events.

Services are at All Saints, unless otherwise stated.

OCTOBER:

- 1st 9am, Grandborough.
11am, Harvest Festival followed by Bring-and-Share lunch.
- 5th 4.30pm, at Grandborough, Messy Church.
- 8th 11am, at Willoughby, Family Service.
5pm, at Flecknoe, Harvest Festival followed by Supper.
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- 15th 9am, Holy Communion.
11am, at Grandborough, Welcome to Worship.
6pm, at Willoughby, Evensong.
- 17th 7.30pm, CoGS Broadwell, Healing Service.
- 22nd 9am, at Flecknoe, Breakfast Service.
11am, at Willoughby, Holy Communion.
4pm, Afternoon Worship.
- 29th 10.30am, Benefice Holy Communion.

NOVEMBER:

- 2nd 4.30pm, at Grandborough, Messy Church.
- 5th 9am, at Grandborough, Holy Communion.
11am, Holy Communion.
- 12th 10.30am, Remembrance Service.
10.30am, at Grandborough, Remembrance Service.
- 19th 9am, Holy Communion.
11am, at Grandborough, Welcome to Worship.
6pm, at Willoughby, Evensong.
- 21st 7.30pm, CoGS Broadwell, Healing Service.
- 26th 9am, at Flecknoe, Breakfast Service.
11am, at Willoughby, Holy Communion.
4pm, Afternoon Worship.

Harvest Festival:

Archdeacon Clive Hogger will lead our Harvest Festival Service on Sunday, 1st October at 11am. The Holy Communion service will be followed by a 'Bring-and-Share' lunch. Please come and join us for both, or either, of these events!! You are very welcome to join us for lunch even if you are unable to attend the service, we would love to see you.

Christmas Market:

Our market is to be held in the church on 18th November from 10.30 am to 2.30 pm. If you are interested in having a stall, there are still a few places left.

If you are able to help at the Market please e-mail Karen on ingrianna57@gmail.com.

We also need prizes for the tombola stall and the Prize Draw; again, please contact Karen if you can help or bring your contributions to the church. Thank you.

Bible Study Group:

The group will meet on Tuesdays, 17th October and 21st November at 10.30am. (The venue changes as we meet in each other's houses). Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee and discussion. Please contact Sarah on 01788 810344 or Karen on 01926 812363 for more information.

Healing Services:

The next services will be on Tuesdays, 17th October and 21st November at 7.30pm at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Broadwell. Please come and join us and spend some quiet time

with God. If you are unable to attend, but would like us to pray for you or another member of your family, please let Karen know on 01926 812363. We do not need to know the reasons why you want us to pray for you, but we are happy to include you in our prayers.

Afternoon Worship:

Come and join us for tea and cake on the 22nd October and 26th November at 4pm. The service is for all ages and children are especially welcome. We break the service and have our refreshments and fellowship in the middle! Come and try it!!

School Ministry:

Do you like working with children?

Thank you to those who have already expressed an interest in being involved with our school ministry; we are still looking for more new team members to assist with school assemblies at Leamington Hastings C of E Academy on Monday afternoons; once a fortnight. If you think you would like to get involved with this ministry please call Karen Hatch on 01926 812363.

Dates for your diary:

October:

- 5th 4.30pm, at Grandborough,, Messy Church.
- 11th Coffee morning, Chapel schoolroom, 10-30 until 12-noon.
- 14th 10am until 12-noon, Victory Hall Coffee Morning by Trustees of Hall & Green. All welcome!

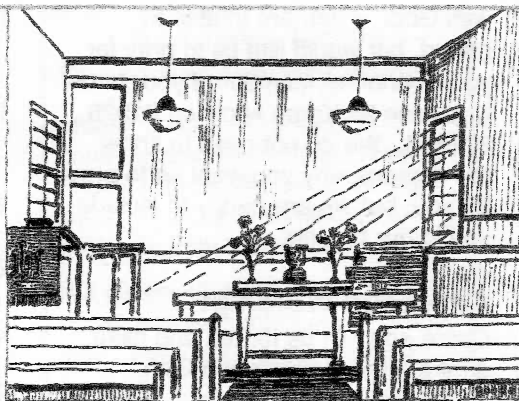
- 17th 7.30pm, Annual Church Meeting, in Chapel Schoolroom.
- 17th 7.30pm, Healing Service, Church of the Good Shepherd, Broadwell.
- 20th LH Bowls Club skittles evening. LH Parish Hall.
- 22nd 11am, Broadwell Chapel Anniversary Service.
- 23rd Deadline for applications to LH School Trust.
- 26th Over 60s' Club at LH Parish Hall, 2.30-pm when Ruth Styles reveals all about her collection of Bibles.

November:

- 2nd 4.30pm, at Grandborough, Messy Church.
- 8th Coffee morning, Chapel schoolroom, 10-30 until 12-noon.
- 12th At 10.50am, Remembrance Service, Broadwell Methodist Chapel.
- 21st 7.30pm Healing service at the Church of the Good Shepherd.
- 17th Victory Hall open to receive your shoeboxes for the Christmas Shoebox Appeal
- 17th **Deadline for copy for December/January 2018 Broadwell Mail.**
- 18th 10.30am to 2.30pm Christmas Market at LH Parish Church.
- 25th 2pm, Christmas Fayre in Victory Hall. Santa will be there!
- 27th 2pm, **Note Time change.** Over 60s' Club, LH Parish Hall. Alan Winterburn reveals little-known facts about Warwickshire.

PREACHERS FOR October & November

**All services start
at 11am unless
otherwise indicated.**



Oct 1st	Mr Brian Baker
Oct 8th	Ms Janet Hinds
Oct 15th	The Rev'd Charity Madenyika, Holy Communion
Oct 22nd	The Rev'd David Collinson, Chapel Anniversary
Oct 29th	Mrs Margaret Geldart
Nov 5th	Mr Adrian Price
Nov 12th	At 10.50am, Mrs Dorn Margetts, Remembrance Sunday
Nov 19th	The Rev'd Charity Madenyika, Holy Communion
Nov 26th	Mrs Marilyn Pratt

Flower rota

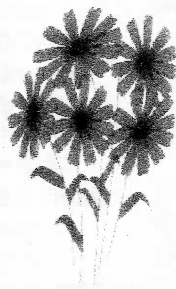
**Please note that the Flower Rota
reverts to fortnightly from October 1st**

October:

1st	Rachel Sensecall
15th	Annegret Morgan
29th	Angela Wooliscroft

November:

12th	Wendy Williamson
26th	Joyce Latham



Cleaning rota

October:

7th	Valerie Bostock
14th	Wendy Williamson
21st	Sharon Barnes
28th	Rachel Sensecall

November:

4th	Alison Deeming
11th	Angela Wooliscroft
18th	Rosemary Chapman
25th	Sylvia Toole

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