



# CALDICOT METHODIST CHURCH

## Monthly Notices – January 2026



**Our Minister: Rev. Bethany Willers**

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### **Pastoral Letter**

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year!

Well, another year is over, and a new one has just begun. I hope over the holidays we have all had time to reflect on the year that has passed, and prepare for the one that is coming. One way that we, as Methodists, prepare our hearts for the new year is by participating in our annual Covenant Service.

This is one of my favourite services of the year, as I find it to be such a wonderful time of refreshing and renewing our relationship with God, which is excellent for grounding ourselves in our faith as we move into a new year. You'll see on the plan that I was meant to do the Covenant Service with you all on 18 January. My plan was to do that service with you, then leave for Iowa the next day, to see my family.

However, due to my mother's health, I would like to spend a bit longer there this year, so I am leaving on the 14th of January. The Rev. Lin Healey has graciously offered to take the Covenant Service on the 18th, so I know I am leaving you all in the best of hands.

The Covenant Prayer teaches us so much, and I see new things in it every year. This year, I am reminded of the flexibility we seek to offer to God in the prayer - we pray for God's will to be done, however that comes about in our lives. From one extreme to another (let me have all things, let me have nothing; let me be exalted for you or brought low for you, etc) we strive to see God's purpose worked out in a variety of ways.

I continue to seek this flexibility in my life as I straddle the pond, living and working here, whilst having family and friends I love very much back in the States! I appreciate all of your support as I navigate these things.

Blessings,  
Bethany

# **We welcome all who worship with us**

**Sunday mornings @ 10:00 in the church and available on Zoom**  
**For further details or to request the Zoom link, please contact Jack Healey or Gareth Edwards at [caldicotmc@gmail.com](mailto:caldicotmc@gmail.com)**

## **Planned preachers in January:**

**4<sup>th</sup> January – Rev'd Bethany Willers (Café Church)**

**11<sup>th</sup> January – Yvette Edwards**

**18<sup>th</sup> January – Rev'd Lin Healey (Covenant service + Holy Communion)**

**25<sup>th</sup> January – Alison Smith**

## **Other Diary Dates:**

- **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January – 2:00 - Friends and Neighbours**
- **Thursdays 8<sup>th</sup> Jan and 12<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7pm – Recharge Café Church - at Portskewett Church Hall**
- **COFFEE MORNINGS: Every Tuesday & Friday 9:30am (except 2<sup>nd</sup> January)**

## **Help wanted**

We are running short of people willing to operate the sound desk in the Church on Sundays on a rota basis. Please could you help? If so please could you let Gareth/Yvette know – full training will be given.

## **Tub2Pub recycling of plastic sweet and biscuit containers**

Make sure your tubs don't go to waste! Bring your clean, empty plastic confectionery and biscuit tubs to the church **on Tuesday or Friday mornings or on Sundays between 1 January and 13 February 2026** to be recycled.

Many kerbside recycling collections will not accept these polypropylene tubs, so Tub2Pub is a recycling solution that stops them ending up in landfill.

Tub2Pub collected over 240,000 tubs last year, weighing in at a record-breaking 27,990 kg of plastic - more than all previous years combined.

Since Greene King launched Tub2Pub they've helped to divert over 470,000 tubs from landfill and, with the proceeds from recycling the tubs going to their national charity partner, Macmillan Cancer Support, over £34,000 has been raised to help fund vital support for people living with cancer.

**To submit notices for February: Please contact Lin/Jack Healey by 23<sup>rd</sup> January**