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**Prayers**

We ask you to remember in your prayers this week the worship, work and witness of the congregation at **Gloucester, Lonsdale Road.**

**Circuit Dates, Event & Place: In Brief** (further details on each below)

When	Event	Where
Wednesday 18 Oct 7.30pm	Tax Justice - A Path to a Fairer World	Hucclecote Methodist Church
Saturday 21 Oct 10am	All Things 50!	Christ Church Nailsworth
Friday 27 Oct 7.00 for 7.30pm	Action for Children - Gloucester Strings Ukulele Concert	Hucclecote Community Centre, Hucclecote Road, Gloucester
Saturday 4 Nov 10am - 12noon	Jumble Sale	St Mark's Methodist Church, Cheltenham.
<b>Saturday 2 Dec 9.30am – 1pm</b>	<b>'Creating Safer Space' - Foundation Safeguarding Training</b>	<b>Hucclecote Methodist Church</b>

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**The Superintendent's Lunch Club**

**12.30 on a Thursday. All welcome to sit alongside, eat and chat**

19 October	The Belfry, Broad St, Littledean, Cinderford GL14 3JS
9 November	The Corinium, Cirencester
23 November	The Moon Under Water, Cheltenham
14 December	The Whitminster Inn, Whitminster

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**News....**

**Housing and Homelessness – a bulletin by the Public Issues & Social Responsibility Team**

Our Public Issues and Social Responsibility focus for October to December 2017 is 'housing and homelessness'. A very quick review of concerns about housing issues resulted in the following list, in general order of urgency for the people affected:

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**Quiet Days in the Circuit**

Many of you will be aware that the Rev'd Diane Daymond led a Quiet Day in the Circuit during this last Summer, and our hope is to offer a Quiet Day within the Circuit on perhaps a six-monthly basis, with the next one now being planned for the Spring of 2018. The Revd Carrie Seaton has also offered to lead a Quiet Day, so we will advise you further once dates and venues have been fixed in due course.

In the meantime, attached to this Newsletter is some information about a monthly series of Quiet Days at Rudford which I am sharing with you at the request of Canon Helen Sammon, the Rector of the Highnam Benefice. Whilst there is a cost for these monthly Quiet Days, refreshments are provided, and they may be of benefit for you occasionally or regularly, if you wish to partake in them.

Revd Dr James Tebbutt

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## **Vacancy for a Families Worker**

**Royal Wootton Bassett Methodist Church, Wiltshire [www.rwbmc.co.uk](http://www.rwbmc.co.uk)**

Is God calling you to work with children and families?

We're looking for someone who is passionate about developing families work within the church and the wider community alongside the minister, Youth Worker and team.

This is a new post building on a foundation of previous successful lay work. Active links with two local Anglican churches are already in place

As a church we are excited about this new opportunity. If you share this excitement we'd love to hear from you.

Full time post: £21-25,000 pa

An enhanced DBS is required.

It is an occupational requirement that the post holder be a practising Christian.

To speak to someone about the job please contact Revd David Perkins on 01793 849241 or

[skyeperky@hotmail.com](mailto:skyeperky@hotmail.com). For an application pack please email: [circuitadmin@upperthamescircuit.org.uk](mailto:circuitadmin@upperthamescircuit.org.uk)

Closing date: Monday 6 November

Interviews: Week of Monday 20 November

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## **Dates for the Diary....**

### **Tax Justice - A Path to a Fairer World**

**Wednesday 18 October, 7.30pm**

**Hucclecote Methodist Church**

This event will explore the links between the global tax system and the extremes of inequality across the world - and what we can do to make the system fairer. The two speakers are Revd David Haslam from the Methodist Tax Justice Network and Revd Noel Sharp from Christian Aid. Admission is free. The event has been organised by The Methodist Circuit of Gloucestershire Public Issues and Social Responsibility Team.

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### **Golf Day**

**Thursday 19 October, 9.30am – 4.30pm**

**Rodway Hill Golf Club, Highnam, GL2 8DR**

Calling golfing lay folk – you are invited to participate in a Golf Day of Friendship, Fun and Competition.

Cost is £20 to include a simple lunch and all-day tea/coffee. RSVP Rev Denise Hargreaves on 01594

825662 or email [dkah26@icloud.com](mailto:dkah26@icloud.com) by 1 October.

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### **All Things 50!**

**Christ Church Nailsworth**

**Saturday 21 October, 10am**

Come and see a display of toys and have an opportunity to play with them! There will be Lego, Airfix models, Meccano, Dinky & Corgi, Train sets, dolls, 2 British motor bikes and coins and stamps. There will also be historical photos and books of the three churches that make up Christ Church! Refreshments will be available.

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### **Action for Children - Gloucester Strings Ukulele Concert**

**Friday 27 October, 7.00 for 7.30pm**

**Hucclecote Community Centre, Hucclecote Road, Gloucester, GL3 3RT**

Come to a concert with a difference. Tickets £10.00 to include Fish & Chip supper, raising funds for Action for Children. Tickets or further information from Peter Staite; 01452 548169.

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## **Jumble Sale**

**Saturday 4 November, 10am - 12noon**

**St Mark's Methodist Church, Gloucester Road, Cheltenham. GL51 8PX**

Please come along to support a good cause. Refreshments will be on sale. Admission is 30p. All money raised in Aid of St Mark's Friday Club funds.

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## **Advance Notice**

### **'CREATING SAFER SPACE' Foundation Safeguarding Training**

If you are new to a role as a worker with children and young people, a pastoral visitor, a local preacher/worship leader, a representative on your church council or a church safeguarding coordinator, you may not have attended Foundation Safeguarding training. **YOU MUST ATTEND THIS COURSE!** The Government states that ALL volunteers should have safeguarding training every 5 years.

There will be a Foundation Safeguarding Course on:

**Saturday 2 December, 9.30am – 1pm**

**Hucclecote Methodist Church**

*By the end of the module you should:*

- *Understand that safeguarding and creating safer space is everyone's responsibility and an integral part of being church.*
- *Have a better understanding of the safeguarding processes within the Methodist Church and your role within them.*
- *Know when to have concerns about the safety and welfare of a child or vulnerable adult.*
- *Recognise potential blocks within the church to responding well.*
- *Be able to respond appropriately to concerns about the safety and welfare of a child or vulnerable adult using the Methodist Church policies.*
- *Recognise that there are experts within the Church to help you respond to concerns, and be able to identify who is the expert in your church*

Please book your places. Contact: Peter Gardner on 01452-790564 or at [peter@familygardner.plus.com](mailto:peter@familygardner.plus.com).

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