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***Encouraging, supporting, and developing followers of Jesus Christ and
Sharing God's love in the wider community***

PRAYER: Let us love your holy word, O God, anxious to obey its commandments, eager to comprehend its meaning, longing to be guided by its precepts, yearning to hear the voice that speaks through its pages.
Amen. *Walter James, Wesleyan minister (1879-1908).*

BROMSGROVE NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 7th September 2025.

THE WELCOME COFFEE SHOP.

The Welcome Coffee Shop Opening Hours: Monday to Thursday inclusive from 10.30am until 12.30pm. plus 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month from 10am until 12 noon.

The next Newsletter will be for Sunday 14th September 2025.

Service on Sunday 7th September 2025.

10.30 am: Holy Communion led by Rev. Brian Mason.

Please join us for Coffee after the service.

Sunday Service 14th September 2025:

10.30 am: Morning Worship led by Mr. Graeme Russell.

EDWARDS TRUST – OPEN DOOR: Great thanks to everyone who supported me in aid of such a wonderful charity on Monday 21st July. Due to the weather I changed the venue to Lickey End Methodist Church and it worked extremely well! The amount raised by friends attending and donations since has raised the incredible amount of £652.00. The staff at Edwards Trust were amazed and extremely grateful. If anyone is interested in hearing about their work please go to Catshill Methodist Church Tuesday 9th September 7.00pm when Phillippa will be doing a presentation and the cheque will be handed over. Will cost you £2.00 but it includes Tea/coffee Cake/Biscuits. Trusting you will support me next year with my Open Door for Edwards Trust. God bless. *Gladys Hatton.*

THANK YOU: Many thanks for your lovely card and beautiful flowers for my 95th birthday. Everything was such a surprise and a bit of a shock that so many of you still remember me. Thank you, love to you all. *Avery Turner.*

REMINDER: This is my last Newsletter so from now on, all items for it should be sent to Eleanor Wright at eleanormawright@gmail.com Thank you for all your support over the years and I'm sure you will give Eleanor all the support she needs. Thank you. *Ken Brown.*

FORUM: The next edition of FORUM will cover the months of October and November including Harvest and Remembrance. You may also recollect that I asked you to share the name of your favourite Cathedral and why. The deadline for contributions and dates of forthcoming events/meetings by email (Word document preferred) to les.jim42@btinternet.com or leave any hard copy items in FORUM folder in the church office. *Jim Buchanan.*

SUNDAY FLOWERS: The flowers in the Church on Sunday are paid for each week by donations made by individuals in the congregation often marking a special occasion or in remembrance of a family member. Unfortunately there are a number of vacant weeks in October. If anyone would like to assist this ministry of flowers now or in the future, please talk to Pat Ireland. *Jim Buchanan.*

UKRAINIAN CAFÉ: People who enjoy tasty Ukrainian food, will be keen to know that the next café will be held on Wednesday September 10th at St Basil's Bistro at the pod in Charford B60 3JB – from 11.00am to 1.00pm. Takeaway can also be ordered, but there will be the usual selection of favourites including Borscht,

crepes and honey cake. They are back here at Bromsgrove Methodist |Centre o Friday 26th September, 11.00am to 1.30pm. Watch this space for future dates at other venues! *Margaret Evans.*

MEMORY CHANGE CAFÉ: The next meeting is Friday 19th September in the main Hall as usual. *Margaret Evans.*

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Following our long (hot) summer break, this Sunday sees the start of a new Church year.

We have said goodbye to Rev Latika, and in her place we welcome Rev. Ruth Fry, who will be looking after Alpha Hub. We wish her and all of the leadership team God's blessing, as we all in the words of the hymn "travel from the old things to the new."

It may well be that in the words of the psalmist, God does "a new thing" among us, and we as always seek God's guidance and blessing in the year ahead.

This week has seen children return to school, and we remember in our thoughts and prayers children attending nursery, primary, senior schools, sixth form colleges, children with educational special needs, and we hold all teachers in our prayers as they nurture the minds and development of those in their care.

We also remember all of the young people leaving home and enrolling in university courses, together with their families, who, missing them, have to cut the ties, and learn to encourage them to "fly on their own", as they deal with the rite of passage which is becoming independent, yet having the assurance that loving support at home is still there. Every blessing, *John.*

Suggested Readings for Week Beginning 7th September. (The Spirit and the Bride)

Sun	07.	Luke 14:25-33.	StF 563	Psalm 1.	Open.
Mon	08*.	Micah 5:1-5.	StF 208	Psalm 45.	Care.
Tue	09.	Revelation 4:1-11.	StF 10	Psalm 41.	Worship.
Wed	10.	Revelation 5:11-14.	StF 88	Psalm 42.	Notice.
Thu	11.	Revelation 7:9-17.	StF 743	Psalm 43.	Tell.
Fri	12.	Revelation 19:6-10.	StF 347	Psalm 44:1-8.	Worship.
Sat	13.	Rev. 21:1-7, 22:1-5.	StF 185	Psalm 46.	Flourish.

**Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

All items for inclusion in the next edition should be submitted by 9am on Friday morning to

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