

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

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MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER

“Bula”. A greeting that you would hear when you arrive on the shores of Fiji. I now greet you with it and it means a lot of things. BULA is life, Bula is hello, Bula is God is good, Bula is nice to see you and eventually know you. I hope that this greeting is appropriate as we greet each other, begin together and journey together and share the goodness of what God has for us.

Since this is my first writing to you I would like to introduce myself. My name is Rev Jimione Kaci (Jimi) and my wife is Miriama Kaci (Miri). We are from Fiji and have a daughter and four grandchildren. My daughter and grandchildren live in Stoke on Trent. Me and my wife are happy to be here to be part of your spiritual journey and to share with you the goodness of God during our 36 years of ministry in Fiji and in England.

We first came to England in 2003 under the World Church in Britain Partnership Programme and I was stationed at the Sandbach and Alsager Circuit, went back to Fiji in 2008, came back in 2010 and set up the Fijian Methodist Fellowship within the Military Barracks for the Fijians in the British Army and Navy.

My predecessor talked about moving, so I can say that we have moved all the way from Fiji to be among you and share stories of what God has done and continues to do in our lives. I look forward to working alongside all of you as we together seek God's will for us, our Churches and Circuit.

Jesus says in Mark 4:35 "Let us go to the other side". We journey with Jesus, we will reach the other side of wherever we are journeying to.

May God's peace be upon us all.

Jimi

Service details for September

3rd September

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship - Led by Mr Richard Keen

Duty Stewards: Iris Bown & Roderick Lay

Welcome Steward: Jenny Marsay

6.00 p.m. Circuit Zoom Service led by Mike Furborough

10th September

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship – Led by Mrs Carol Thomson

Worship Leader: Ian Barrs

Duty Stewards: Linda & William Walmsley

Welcome Steward: Ann Holloway

6.00 p.m. Circuit Zoom Service led by Rev Joy Langford

17th September **CTiM United Service**

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship - Led by Rev Jimi Kaci **S**

Duty Stewards: Hazel Brewer & Ian Lay

Welcome Steward: Ann Lay

6.00 p.m. Taizé Prayer

6.00 p.m. Circuit Zoom Service led by Rev Helen Bell

24th September **Harvest Festival**

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship – Led by Rev Joy Langford

Worship Leader: Ann Lay

Duty Stewards: Ian Lay & Kerry Sharpe

Welcome Steward: Jenny Marsay

6.00 p.m. Circuit Zoom Service led by Rev Jimi Kaci

DATE	ORGANIST	FLOWERS	CLEANING
3rd September	<i>David Woodward</i>	<i>The Lay Family</i>	<i>Kate Scott, Rosie Barrs, Ann Holloway</i>
10th September	<i>Margaret Silverwood</i>		
17th September	<i>Rebecca Goldring</i>	<i>Hilda Poole</i>	<i>Iris Bown, Linda & William Walmsley</i>
24th September	<i>David Woodward</i>	<i>Hazel Brewer</i>	

REGULAR MEETINGS

HOME FELLOWSHIP

Our Home Fellowship meetings for September are Tuesdays, 12th & 26th, both at 5.30pm and both at the home of Hazel & Douglas Brewer, 24 Bracken Walk. All are welcome to join us as we talk about our faith and its relevance in today's world. You are free to join in the discussion or just to listen. Our main concern is to deepen our fellowship with God and with each other as we share our thoughts and feelings about a particular study we are following. For the next five sessions we are looking at one of the York courses entitled "Handing on the Torch" - sacred words for a secular world written by John Young. The first session has the heading - "A Christian Country?" - notice the question mark. Do come along if you are able, you will be made very welcome. If you require any more information or would like a lift to the venue please contact Ian or Ann Lay (242166).

MUSIC CAFÉ – Thursday 14TH & 28TH September from 2.00 till 4.00.

We warmly invite you to join us for an afternoon of music, singing & friendship. Contact Linda 01530 242607 for more information.

"COME FOR A CUPPA" Every Wednesday 10.00 – 12.00

Come and meet each other for a cuppa and a chat. There is no charge.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CHRISTIAN AID COFFEE MORNING – SATURDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 10.00 – 12.00

This will be at our church and we hope that it will be as well-supported as last year. Please see more information elsewhere in these notices. Thank you.

HARVEST PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH - SATURDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 12.00

Tickets priced £8 are now available. *Take the opportunity to invite a friend.*

PIANO RECITAL "2 PIANOS – 8 HANDS" FRIDAY 10th NOVEMBER 7 p.m.

Tickets £12 Under-16s £6 (See more details elsewhere)

Please send items for the **OCTOBER** notices to Linda & William Walmsley by
18th SEPTEMBER

wllmwalsley@yahoo.co.uk

DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER 6TH 7.30 CTiM MEETING

SEPTEMBER 20TH 7.00 CIRCUIT MEETING AT EPWORTH

SEPTEMBER 26TH 7.00 LOCAL PREACHERS & WORSHIP
LEADERS MEETING AT ST. ANDREWS' GRE

OCTOBER 11TH 6.30 CHURCH PROPERTY MEETING

OCTOBER 11TH 7.30 CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 30TH 10.30 WAYS & MEANS MEETING

DONATIONS

Many thanks for your donations of **spectacles** for Ghana, **egg boxes** for the Leicester food bank and **stamps** to raise money for Canine Partners. Your support for these causes is greatly appreciated, so please continue to fill up the boxes in the porch.

MISSING PLATES *If anyone has used church plates - yellow ones in particular - to take food home or to friends, and has inadvertently kept them in their cupboard, we would really appreciate them being returned. Our stocks are dwindling!*
Many thanks.

PASTORAL CARE

If you are aware of anyone who is ill, in hospital, or had a family bereavement, please contact our Minister, Rev Jimi Kaci, on 07909 280486, or our Pastoral Secretary, Kerry Sharpe, on 07979 607099.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

The weekend of September 23th/24th is our Harvest Thanksgiving weekend.

We come together on the Saturday as a fellowship to share in a Ploughman's Lunch and then on the Sunday we join in worship to thank God and celebrate His love for us through His creation and the fact that we are better off than many others in the world.

This is one of the reasons our church supports STARFISH MALAWI and I encourage you to look at and read the July Newsletter which will be on display in the front porch. Again this year it is our intention to send them a gift of money for their work in Malawi and if you wish to contribute to that then please take an envelope from the front porch and return it either on the 24th or before. There will be a box in the front porch for this purpose.

Thank you for your support.

Ian Lay

HARVEST PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH

SATURDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER

12.00 £8.00

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE AT CHURCH

OR PHONE 01530 242607 or 01530 242166

THE STARFISH STORY

A father and his son were walking along a deserted beach after a particularly high tide had washed up thousands of starfish onto the sand. The boy started picking them up and throwing them back one by one. The father quizzed his son saying, ***"You can't save them all, there are millions! You can't possibly make a difference."*** The boy smiled, bent down, and picked up another starfish and, as he threw it back into the sea, he replied, ***"I made a difference to that one."***

PIANO RECITAL

MARKFIELD METHODIST RECITALS

presents

“2 PIANO – 8 HANDS”

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 10TH 7.00 P.M.

Beate Toyka wowed us with a wonderful performance (piano) in the company of John Parsons (Cello) during March 2023, and it is with great pleasure that we welcome her return in the company of 3 more amazing pianists.

The “Derby Piano Quartet” features the unusual combination of four pianists on two pianos! It was formed 20 years ago by Anglo-German pianist and musical innovator Beate Toyka whose 2 grand pianos in her home studio provide the group’s rehearsal space. The other ensemble members are chamber musician extraordinaire Gillian Bithel, organist-pianist and academic Dr. Richard Hodges and Dana deWaal, choir director, opera singer and composer.

Their colourful programme will bring you well-known gems such as the Overture from ‘Ruslan and Ludmilla’, and Grieg’s ‘Peer Gynt Suite’ as well as items by Beethoven, Smetana, Joplin, Herbert and others. Their second half will present a journey from 1 to 8 hands, ranging from a left hand only piece via unusual combinations such as Ravel’s ‘Frontispiece’ for 5 hands and audience participation for 7 hands before returning to all hands on deck!

This promises to be a wonderfully entertaining evening of amazing music from fantastic musicians, and we look forward to welcoming them all.

Tickets Adults £12, U16 £6 - including programme and refreshments.

Please book online via our website www.markfieldmethodistchurch.org if possible, or call 07979 607099

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN MARKFIELD

**CHRISTIAN AID
COFFEE MORNING**

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16TH 10.00 – 12.00

Each church is taking responsibility for a stall -
we are refreshments - and would appreciate
donations of cakes for the cake stall, tombola
prizes and “anything WHITE”.

TOASTED TEA CAKES

CAKE STALL

“WHITE” STALL

TOMBOLA

*There is a box in the porch for your gifts,
or please see Linda for more information.*