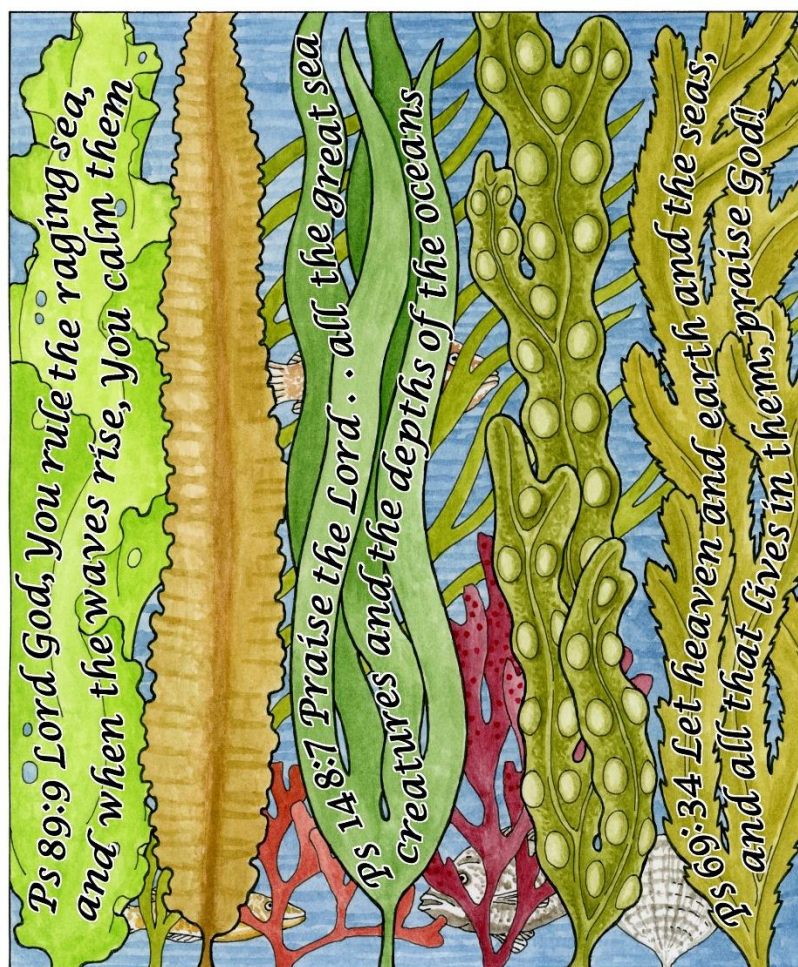


*'Sharing the love of Jesus every day'*

# Connections

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## July / August 2026

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### **Connections – September 2026 issue deadline**

News, articles and other items to be included in the September 2026 issue of *Connections* should be sent by email to the editor Claire Booth (clairehbooth@hotmail.com) no later than **Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> August 2026**.

Items should ideally be no more than 1 page in length (about 450 words) and definitely no longer than 2 pages.

*Connections* is published in digital format ten times a year and emailed to subscribers. You are also able to view it on the church website. If you want it emailed to you, please contact Kevin Bodsworth at the Church Office: office@bagintonroadurc.org.uk.

Thanks, *Claire*

## Dear Friends

A reflection entitled *Me Too!* taken from the *URC Prayer Handbook*, written by Heather Pencavel.

Listen, God, novelty isn't everything.  
What happened to tradition?  
Why can't things stay as they are?  
Isn't the church meant to be about unchanging things?  
Now we have – new people with strange ways,  
new music we don't know  
The church isn't what it used to be!



*No. Nothing is as it used to be (only Godself, beginning and ending of everything). To live My way you need a new way of thinking, new dreams, new songs and especially a new commandment. Because I am making everything new. Including you.*

God, help us to embrace your new creation, even if it's not what we are used to;  
to sing your new song, even though we don't know the tune;  
and to obey your new commandment, even when we are afraid to love because we don't understand.  
Because (although novelty isn't everything)  
we want to be part of your new heaven and new earth  
And so, we know,  
we need to be made new.

Let's embrace change as we move into a new church year and reflect the love of Jesus every day in all that we do.

*A new command I give you: love one another.  
As I have loved you, so you must love one another. [John 13:34]*

*Sue Davis*

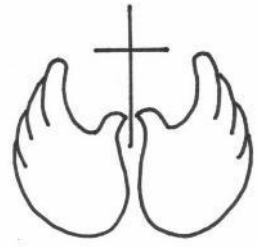


## Appreciation

Kathy and Dave Jackson would like to say thank you for the beautiful flowers. They were a lovely surprise.

## Message from Our Minister Debbie

I have said that the summer period is a wonderful opportunity for us to develop and deepen our relationship with God through prayer and to also find quiet places for rest, relaxation, peace and the calmness God offers us. We too will meet other people on our holidays with which we can share the good news of Jesus Christ. I hope this summer will be a real time of blessing for you, and that we remember that, as well as the commandment to rest once a week, we are invited to rest in Jesus every day [Matthew 11:28, Philippians 4:4-7].



I would like to leave you with these words from the story of *God's Fingerprint*:

God gave you a fingerprint  
That no one else has  
So you can leave an imprint  
That no one else can.

[Genesis 1:26-27, Romans 1:21]

*God bless, love Debbie*



## Women's Prayer Breakfast

Next dates: 12<sup>th</sup> September (small hall, Baginton Road), 10<sup>th</sup> October (location tbc), 11<sup>th</sup> November (small hall, Baginton Road).



Please note that we are cancelling the Women's Breakfast scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup> July, as Sue and Colin are hosting a Bacon Breakfast that day in aid of Coventry City Mission at 21 Alfriston Road.CV3 6FG, 10.00am - 12.00 noon.

A warm welcome to all women from our Church, Belonging Church and any friends from another or no Church at all. We meet once a month at 8.30am to set up and start with a bring and share breakfast – always delicious and more than enough.

We spend about 20 minutes with an activity to nurture our spirit and soul, always ending in prayer for concerns shared. There is no obligation to speak, everything we share is confidential to those present. Not everyone comes every time, just come when you can. We promise it is always worth getting up for!

*Kathy Jackson*

## Notes from Elders' Meetings - June 2026



- Elders ratified a document outlining future roles and responsibilities for the Eldership which will be introduced from the AGM. Changes are aimed at sharing the burden of specific tasks more fairly,
- Room hire booking form being amended to include reference to safeguarding.
- Elders spent time discussing how BRURC needs to move forward as a church and how we can create greater cohesion and an air of positivity within our congregation.
- Arrangements were discussed for Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> July, Simon's final service.
- The Elders are pursuing with Synod our status as an ECO church; records have not been recorded correctly by Synod, and we may need to reapply for bronze level.
- The newly-introduced Wednesday Prayer Session is to continue, and Elders are exploring how we can make these sessions more inclusive.
- Reports were received from the groups and committees active within the church.
- Kitchen at WR is being refurbished and that at BR will receive a deep clean during the summer break.
- Holiday Club for the children is almost full which is wonderful news. The coach trip for Holiday from Home is also full but there lots of spaces for the Monday and Wednesday Activity days.
- Arrangements were finalised for the AGM.
- WR members to be invited to a meeting to discuss the long-term future of the WR Centre.

*Pauline Luckett, Assistant Church Secretary*

## Theological Reflections - Red Card

The season has ended for Linda and me in Coventry, but we know we are in God's hands and He has plans not just for us but also for BRURC for a great future. It has been a challenging season with some ups and downs, but our faith has grown stronger during this time. Unlike Coventry City FC, we haven't gained promotion to the Premier League but we know that good (and challenging) times lie ahead for both the church and the club.



I have just finished reading Bethge's 1970 biography of Dietrich Bonhoeffer (all 836 pages of it!). He mentions a paper that Bonhoeffer wrote in 1936 entitled "*Whoever knowingly separates himself from the Confessing Church in Germany separates himself from salvation.*" It was controversial and the shortened form became "*those with a Red Card won't go to heaven*" (Bethge, 1970, p.430). This was because the

members of the Confessing Church carried a red card to denote their personal membership of the church.

With the football World Cup underway, it started me thinking about red cards – Chelsea had the highest number of red cards in the Premier League last season with 8 (Coventry City managed 3 in the Championship). The World Cup is normally low on red cards with 4 or 5, apart from the 2006 competition in Germany when there were 28!

If you read your Highway Code, red normally means stop, a warning or an order to do something. We often associate red with a warning or an order.

But in the Bible, we see red used in different ways:

- Esau was coloured red when he was born (Genesis 25:25) – but it was a red stew that he swapped for his birthright (Genesis 25:30).
- The Tabernacle cover was made of rams' skins dyed red (Exodus 26:14)
- Red kite was on the list of food that the Israelites were prohibited from eating. (Leviticus 11:4)
- Jesus spoke about the tradition of looking at the night sky to determine the weather (red at night: fine, red in the morning: stormy) (Matthew 16)
- A red horse in Revelations 6 brings destruction.

Most of us know what a red card means. In football, a red card signals a serious offence – the player is sent off the pitch, removed from the game and faces the consequences of their actions. A red card is a visible reminder that something has gone wrong.

In many ways, sin is humanity's red card. Isaiah (1:18) speaks of this: *'Come now, let us settle the matter,' says the Lord. 'Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.'*

Throughout the first chapter of Isaiah, God confronts His people about their rebellion, injustice, and empty religion. Their lives are stained by wrongdoing. The colour scarlet and crimson in verse 18 is significant because these dyes were vivid, deep, and difficult to remove. God's people had accumulated a record of offences that seemed impossible to erase.

Yet the remarkable thing about Isaiah 1:18 is that God does not simply show the red card and walk away; instead, He invites His people into conversation: "Come now, let us reason together". The God who has every right to condemn, first extends an invitation to grace.

Football offers little hope once the red card is shown – the decision stands. But God's kingdom operates differently: through His mercy, the scarlet stain of sin can

be washed away. What is red can become white; what appears permanent can be transformed.

Do we need a red card to get into Heaven? I would suggest yes – we need to acknowledge our wrongdoing and follow Jesus, then our names will be written in the “Lamb’s book of life” – and when we do that, VAR intervenes and our card is rescinded and forgotten.

The verse points us forward to Christ, who took upon Himself the consequences of our sin. He bore the punishment we deserved so that our red card could be removed and our relationship with God restored.

The message of Isaiah 1:18 is one of hope: our deepest stains are not deeper than God’s grace. The God who sees the scarlet also promises the snow-white cleansing that only He can provide.

Karl Barth wrote 14 volumes of Church Dogmatics (around 6 million words); however, when Barth was asked by a student what the most momentous discovery of his long theological life had been, he replied, “*Jesus loves me, this I know, because the Bible tells me so.*” (Barth, Karl, 1971, p.124).

Perhaps we remember the chorus from our Sunday School days, but it is true. Jesus loves us, the red card is rescinded, and our sins are forgiven and we have life now and eternally by trusting in our saviour.

Both Linda, the dogs and I wish you all the best in the future; we will continue to pray for you all.

*Simon Werrett*

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## **Social Committee News**

**Summer Family Barbeque on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July:** Come and join us for a lunchtime BBQ after the morning service; weather permitting, we will be outside with shelter available. We are being supported by Scout leaders, who will be cooking the delicious food which will be served with salads and rolls etc and to follow, strawberries and cream. Tea/coffee and cold drinks will be served. Garden games for family fun will be provided.



If you are going to attend and have specific dietary requirements, eg vegetarian or coeliac, please let one of the committee members know. We are asking for donations, the proceeds of which will go to church funds.

**Holiday at Home:** The leaflets and registration forms are now available for Holiday at Home, and the limited places for the trip to Birmingham Botanical Garden are filling up fast.

We have spaces available for the relaxed and fun activity days on Monday and Wednesday. There will be a wide range of activities for you to do, including pottery, manicures, mosaics, diamond painting, greeting cards, jewellery / beading as well as water colour painting, amongst others. Lunch and other refreshments will be provided with plenty of opportunity to chat and make new friends.

For more information about registering for Holiday at Home please speak to Kevin or one of the committee members.

We look forward to seeing you and sharing a friendly time with you.

**Helpers Required:** We need helpers for Holiday at Home, to support both the work in the kitchen, serving refreshments and meals on Monday and Wednesday as well as helping with the different craft activities. We would be grateful for any help you can give from a couple of hours to the two full days. A form will be put on the table for you to sign indicating what help you are able to give. We appreciate and thank those who can support us on the activity days.

**Harvest Bring and Share Lunch:** Please look out for notices reminding you about this lunch and the sign-up sheets for food required. They will be available at the beginning of September.

### **Dates for your diary**

- Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July: Family BBQ after the morning service
- Monday - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> August: Holiday at Home, including a day trip to Birmingham Botanical Gardens
- Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September: Harvest Bring and Share Lunch after the morning service
- Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October: Christian Aid Soup Lunch, from 12 noon – 1.30pm
- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November: Christmas Bazaar.

More information will be given in due course.

We look forward to seeing you at our events and thank you for your support.

*Sarah, Liz, Pauline, Chris and Pam*

# SUMMER BBQ

you're invited to join us



Sausages, burgers, chicken, veggie option, salad, etc.

Strawberries & cream, tea, coffee, cold drinks

Quiz and garden games.

**Sunday July 12th**

12 noon start after morning service

**Donations welcome**

All proceeds to church funds



## **Christian Aid - Surprised by Joy!**

Congratulations to everyone!

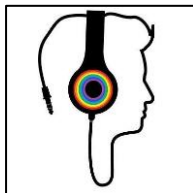
Our Treasurer was beaming when we finished counting the Christian Aid donations. With Gift Aid added (and thank you to all who were able to do that), the grand total was an incredible £1,010!

A sincere thank you to the team who helped put the service together: Sue and Colin D, Sue M and Hazel, those who read the stories and prayers, those who gave their time to help mount the display and, of course, the young people (from the tallest to the smallest) who were the stars of the show as they dealt so confidently with the unusual fruit.

After the service, I took a mini display to the ladies at St. Andrews. They loved tasting the papaya / pawpaw; in fact, Eunice asked if I'd leave the remainder to have as dessert with dinner!

It felt so good to reach the oldest and the youngest in our congregation as you all made that extra effort for those so much less fortunate than yourselves. A real church community focusing beyond itself. Where hardship means hunger in Dagoretti, our donations will mean hope – more training, more wheelbarrows, more tools, more cone gardens and more children fed, all thanks to your generous giving. Perhaps, when the Christian Aid funding reaches areas like Dagoretti, families like those of Fridah and Belinda, may also be surprised by joy!

*Mary G*



## **Special Cause for July, August and September**

After a very successful appeal for Brain Tumour Research UK for which we raised more than £330 (including £296 from the 14<sup>th</sup> June Garden Party), our next appeal is for The Music Man Project.

The Music Man Project is a multi-award winning, world record-breaking international music education charity for people with learning disabilities. It provides accessible music tuition leading to inspirational performances, gives grants for accessible arts education, promotes equal access to performance, supports research, and raises awareness of the achievements of disadvantaged people in the arts.

Today the Music Man Project stands as a powerful symbol of British leadership in accessible music, showcasing the extraordinary talent and potential of musicians with learning disabilities on the world stage. Please will you give generously to this worthwhile cause. Thank you

*Pam and John Dawson, Special Cause Coordinators*

## Best Handwriting Please!

*See how large a letter I have written unto you with my own hand.* [Galatians 6:11]



I am sat in a train and most of my fellow passengers are preparing for their important days by typing away on laptops and checking their phones. I am probably the only person who has a notebook open beside them with a list of things to do, written in pencil. A couple of weeks ago I was waiting for a train and a member of staff noted I was writing a letter with “one of those things”, meaning a fountain pen.

Being a lawyer I am supposed to be traditional and old-fashioned. I still like writing letters and receiving postcards. Notes written in pencil work when there is a good signal or none. I was often told at school not to use pencil as it faded over time. I remember reading official war diaries written in the trenches in pencil that are crystal clear after 80 years, so there, teacher, you were wrong!

St Paul had a secretary to write for him. Perhaps his eyesight was failing or his handwriting had got worse with time as it does for most of us. Several times, St Paul ends his letters by taking the pen from his secretary and writing himself. He did it to emphasise a point or to add a human touch.

The world we live in needs clear, bold words and the Church must write them.

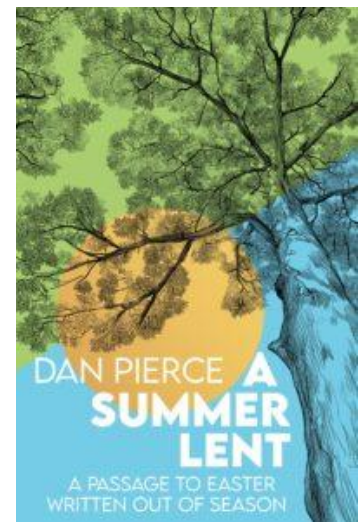
*David Pickup, from Parish Pump*

## Book Review

**A Summer Lent – a passage to Easter written out of season.**

By Dan Pierce, Kevin Mayhew, £12.99

In the height of summer, Anglican priest Dan Pierce was challenged to undertake the spiritual disciplines of Lent. The result is this profound collection of poetry, prose, and song lyrics that frames the journey to Easter within the four seasons. A remarkably honest reflection on temptation, addiction, and renewal, *A Summer Lent* offers fresh, poetic guidance for re-sourcing your spiritual life, no matter the calendar.



*from Parish Pump*

## Warwick Road Centre and Café - July / August Update



As we prepare for the holiday season, I hope those of you who are going away will have safe travel and enjoy a well-earned break. For those of us who are not going away I hope you find time to unwind and relax. I remember as a kid my dad, who worked in Perkins Diesel Engine Factory in Peterborough, always had the last week in July and first week in August off when the factory closed. We often trekked down on a long journey to Cornwall for our annual summer holiday. I believe that in Coventry, in the halcyon days of the car industry, there was a 'Coventry fortnight'. Those days are long gone of course, but please do enjoy your break whatever you do.

When you read the next edition of *Connections* in September, you will have the new Operations Manager, Henno, in post and I will have sailed off into the sunset of retirement (not actually sailing anywhere by the way, just a figure of speech!). I will remain part of the team until the end of the calendar year to do some opening and closing for events and room hire in the church centre.

There are no major issues to report this month as we continue to provide much valued services to our many customers in Open Doors Café and various room hire activities.

As I write this, the World Cup has started and I wish England and Scotland all the very best in their efforts to bring home the trophy. What a year it will have been if England or Scotland can emulate Coventry City in winning a major trophy!

*Trevor Gay, Warwick Road Centre Manager*

### Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast will take place on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August at 10.00am at The Phantom Coach, Fletchamstead Highway CV4 7BA.



Please sign the list at the back of church if you intend to take part.



## Open Doors Café Menu - July & August 2026

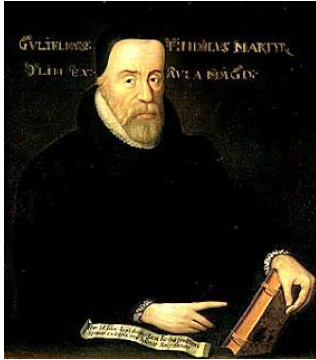
Opening Times: Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday. Snacks and Drinks: 10am – 11.30am; Hot Meal: 12 noon – 1.30pm (last orders 1pm).

Main course £5, Pudding £2.50, Meal Deal (Main and Pudding, served with tea or coffee) £7.50. Telephone orders: 024 7622 0299



July 2026	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Steak & ale pie, potatoes and vegetables Mandarin flan and cream
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sausages, bubble & squeak and onion gravy Treacle & walnut tart and custard
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	BBQ pork, potatoes and vegetables Lemon tiramisu
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Savoury mince stuffed peppers and salad Pear & cinnamon sponge and custard
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Minted lamb dinner Fruit trifle
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pan fried cod with a lemon & dill sauce, potatoes and peas Pineapple upside down sponge and cream
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Minced beef cobbler, potatoes and vegetables Rum and raisin sponge and custard
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Chicken Stroganoff, potatoes and vegetables Biscoff & ginger cheesecake
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Pasta bolognese and garlic bread Jam sponge and custard
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mediterranean chicken, potatoes and salad Bakewell tart and custard
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Pork & apple casserole Lemon meringue pie
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Chicken & mushroom pie, potatoes and vegetables Raspberry & white chocolate brownie and ice cream
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Cottage pie and vegetables Belgian chocolate waffles and berry sauce
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Savoury sausage meat lattice, potatoes and vegetables Sticky toffee pudding and custard

## NEWS IN BRIEF FROM AROUND THE UK AND BEYOND



It is 500 years since the first printing of the New Testament in English by William Tyndale. He was ordained in 1515 and served in both Lincolnshire and Cambridge. Both areas had influencers of evangelical tendencies. The impetus for change came from Europe with the Erasmus translations of the Greek New Testament and Latin books. Because of lack of support from the Bishop of London, Tyndale sought printing in Cologne but had to flee to Amsterdam due to Roman Catholic pressure.

In 1536 Tyndale was executed for the crime of heresy – he had opposed the divorce of Henry VIII from Catherine of Aragon, condemning it as unscriptural. King James I commissioned a Bible translation that became very influential, with approximately 80% of the Authorised Version's New Testament based on the Tyndale Bible, published in 1611.

Visitor numbers at Notre Dame Cathedral are now higher than prior to the April 2019 fire. They are estimated at 35-40,000 per day.

Conventional marriages in England and Wales are now at their lowest level since the 1850s. It is predicted that just three in ten people will be married by 2050. Unmarried and cohabiting couples are demanding the same rights as married ones. The Government is expected soon to launch a consultation on reforming the law to strengthen cohabitation rights.

An international team of academics led by the University of Glasgow has recovered 42 lost pages from one of the world's most important early New Testament manuscripts – Codex H. The manuscript, a 6<sup>th</sup> century copy of the letters of St Paul, was lost to history when it was disassembled at the Great Lavra Monastery on Mount Athos, Greece, in the 13<sup>th</sup> century. Its pages were re-inked and reused as binding material and flyleaves for multiple other manuscripts. Surviving fragments are found in libraries in Italy, Greece, Russia, Ukraine and France.

The academics, in partnership with the Early Manuscripts Electronic Library, used multispectral imaging to process images of the extant pages, in order to recover 'ghost' text that no longer physically exists. To ensure historical accuracy experts in Paris performed radiocarbon dating to confirm the parchment's 6<sup>th</sup> century origin. The recovered text contains known portions of Paul's letters and a unique insight into how the New Testament has evolved and, of course, 13<sup>th</sup> century recycling. A new print edition of Codex H is forthcoming and a digital edition is freely available at <https://codexh.arts.gla.ac.uk>.

The Bank of England has warned that food inflation is expected to rise to 7 per cent by the end of this year, or 50% higher in November than 2021. With a population of

nearly 70 million, we consume 10 million loaves of bread a day, 17 million litres of milk and 29 million eggs; also, on average we each eat 89g of meat per day plus 200g of vegetables and 90g of potatoes.

Are you suspicious of sampling new food? The Roman Emperor Claudius employed a food taster, but died in 54AD of mushroom poisoning, possibly given to him by his wife Agrippina.

Scientists at the University of Oxford and University College London have found that fine particles of pollution from coal-fired power plants are scattering and absorbing sunlight and affecting cloud formation, thus reducing the amount of electricity that solar farms can produce. This is particularly noticeable in China, where solar and coal-fired plants are often located together.

Nottingham has a small charity, Salaam Shalom Kitchen, which is a joint Jewish-Muslim partnership that has been quietly and lovingly providing hot meals and friendship to vulnerable people of all faiths (and none) in a deprived inner-city area for the last ten years.

*Barry Stelfox*



## **Have You Noticed the Seagulls Recently?**

Or rather – the lack of them?

A recent survey published by the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO), found that the total number of gulls wintering in the UK has fallen from 3.9 million to just under 2.5 million over the past two decades.

It is thought that the reason for the decline of gulls is due to improvements in waste management, both on our streets and in landfill. Avian flu, agricultural practices and climate change may have also played a part.

The survey targeted the black-headed gull, common gull, lesser black-headed gull, herring gull, and black-backed gulls. It found all species, apart from herring gulls, had declined.

The great black-backed gull, the UK's largest, saw a 66 per cent drop in numbers wintering in the UK. Black-headed gulls declined by almost half. Common gull numbers fell by 26 per cent, and those of lesser black-backed gulls dropped by 47 per cent.

Emma Caulfield, a BTO research ecologist and survey co-ordinator, said: "These figures are pretty alarming. Despite these smart and adaptable birds figuring out how to live alongside us, the ever-changing world appears to be moving too fast for them to keep up."

*from Parish Pump*

**Come join us at  
St Andrews House to  
Celebrate**

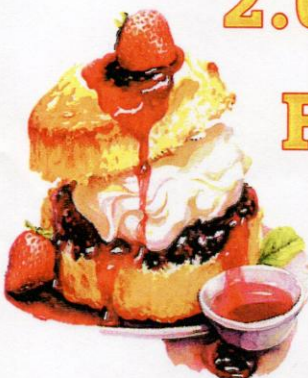
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*Years*



**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July**

**2.00pm – 4.00pm**

**Free Entrance**



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## SUMMER EVENTS IN COVENTRY



Coventry has some amazing family events this summer...

### **Earlsfest | Family Music Festival | 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

A huge family-friendly music festival packed with live music, DJs, street food, and entertainment for all ages!



### **The Roman Festival | Lunt Roman Fort | 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> August**

See the fort come to life at the Roman Festival - gladiators, birds of prey, Living History Village, archery and more!

### **Park Yoga | Ryton Pools | Sundays**

Suitable for all ages and abilities, these free weekly sessions are a great opportunity to try yoga outdoors surrounded by nature.



### **Let's Watch and Make | Coventry Cathedral | 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

Gather in St Michael's Gallery to do crafts and then head to the Chapterhouse Cinema to watch "Winnie the Pooh"!

### **FarGo Youth Takeover | FarGo Village | 1<sup>st</sup> August**

Young people aged 7-14 are invited to take part in the FarGo Youth Takeover, a full-day youth event designed to encourage movement, creativity and wellbeing.



### **Family Fun Day | The Festival, Finham | 8<sup>th</sup> August**

Women Supporting Women Coventry is hosting a special Summer Fundraiser, bringing the community together for an afternoon of entertainment, family fun and fundraising.



### **Chapelfields Festival | 29<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> August**

A three-day community festival celebrating 175 years of Chapelfields history!

### **Bands in The Park | Select dates in the Summer holidays**

Bands in the Park take place from June to September in many of Coventry's beautiful parks. There's a variety of music to enjoy- why not take a picnic?

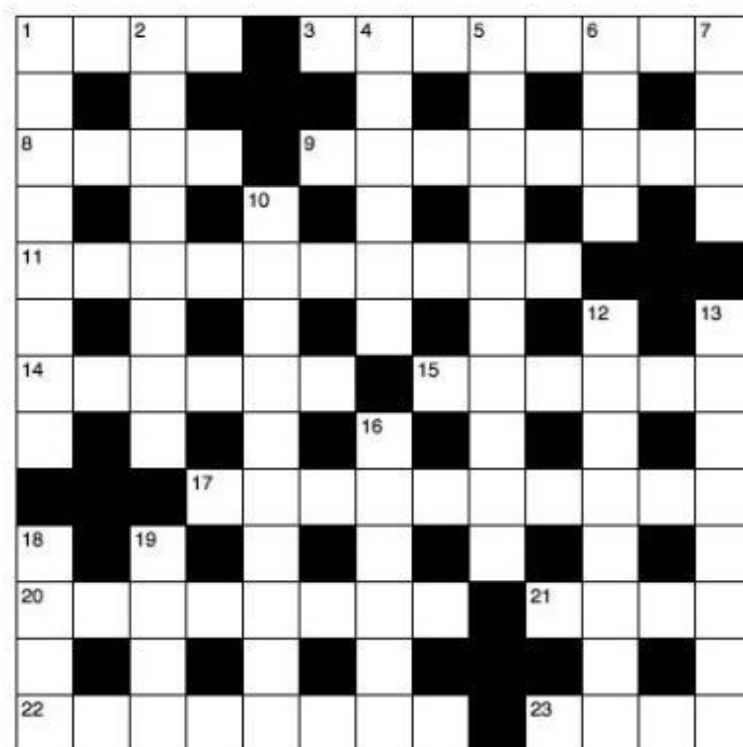
## FOLLOW US AND JOIN THE COMMUNITY!

There are thousands of local parents following us Social Media, and we'd love for you to join in! Just search Coventry Rocks and like our page!

[www.coventryrocks.co.uk](http://www.coventryrocks.co.uk)



## Puzzle Pages



### Across

- 1 Proverbs describes her as being 'of noble character' (Proverbs 31:10) (4)
- 3 'Shall we go up again — — against the Benjamites, our brothers?' (Judges 20:23) (2,6)
- 8 A descendant of Shem (Genesis 10:28) (4)
- 9 'Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my — ' (Luke 14:27) (8)
- 11 Resentment(Ephesians 4:31)(10)
- 14 In Cain(anag.)(6)
- 15 'Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to—' (Psalm 139:6) (6)
- 17 Intense (1 Thessalonians 4:5)(10)
- 20 Third Order of the Roman Catholic Church(8)
- 21 'At midnight the cry rang out, "Here's the bridegroom! Come out to — him"' (Matthew 25:6) (4)
- 22 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in — ' (2 Corinthians 12:9) (8)
- 23 'As the — pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God' (Psalm 42:1) (4)

### Down

- 1 Nickname of popular First World War chaplain, the Revd G.A. Studdert Kennedy, — Willie (8)
- 2 Occasion of religious joy (Lamentations 2:22) (5,3)
- 4 'We three kings of — are' (6)
- 5 Allegation or charge (Jude 9) (10)
- 6 Kind (1 Chronicles 12:33) (4)
- 7 'Open your — and look at the fields!' (John 4:35) (4)
- 10 Also known as the Feast of Lights (John10:22)(10)
- 12 Area that saw the healing of two demon - possessed men and a herd of pigs stampeding to their deaths (Matthew 8:28) (8)
- 13 Forebear(James2:21) (8)
- 16 Name given to the first two books of the Apocrypha (6)
- 18 Esau sold his birthright for this (Genesis25:34) (4)
- 19 Rear (anag.) (4)

### SUDOKU (EASY)

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### SUDOKU (MEDIUM)

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## WORDSEARCH

It was 250 years ago, on 4<sup>th</sup> July 1776, that the US Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Second Continental Congress. The original signed parchment still exists, behind bullet-proof glass at the National Archives in Washington. An original draft of the Declaration was made by Thomas Jefferson, and was amended by Benjamin Franklin and John Adams. It runs for only 1,320 words. The Declaration included the phrase: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

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**SOLUTION - SUDUKO (EASY)**

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**SOLUTION - SUDUKO (MEDIUM)**

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**CROSSWORD SOLUTION**

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**WORDSEARCH SOLUTION**

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Morning service: 10.30am; Evening service: 6.30pm (unless otherwise stated)



Date	Time	Preacher	
5 <sup>th</sup> July	am 5.30 pm	Simon Werrett Revd Colin Offor	Holy Communion
12 <sup>th</sup> July	am	Revd David Spriggs	Holy Communion
19 <sup>th</sup> July	am 5.30 pm	Hannah Masih Revd Debbie Brown	Leprosy Mission
26 <sup>th</sup> July	am	Pauline Lockett	Songs of Praise
2 <sup>nd</sup> August	am 5.30pm	Revd Ian Macnair Revd Debbie Brown	Holy Communion
9 <sup>th</sup> August	am	Darren Burgess	
16 <sup>th</sup> August	am 5.30pm	Revd Ian Coates Wilf Hawes	Holy Communion
23 <sup>rd</sup> August	am	Elders	
30 <sup>th</sup> August	am	David Depledge	
6 <sup>th</sup> September	am pm	Revd Debbie Brown Revd Ian Coates	Holy Communion Holy Communion

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