

SUPERFRUITS



SOUL CAFÉ – New Season

Soul Cafe returns for a new season starting on Sunday 19th October at 7pm at Wilmot Street. It will take place on the third Sunday in the month until May 2026.

This season is based on the 'Fruits of the Spirit' which Jesus tells us should be characteristics in our nature. We are calling the season 'Superfruits' and are starting with 'Love'.

What Are Superfruits?

Superfruits are fruits celebrated for their exceptionally high levels of nutrients, antioxidants, and health-promoting compounds. They are fruits that offer more than just basic nourishment. (examples Kiwi fruit and Blueberries), just like the Fruits of the Spirit.

The Week Ahead

Tuesday Ladies Group – 2pm
Thursday – Music Practice
7:30pm
Friday - Craft Club – 10am
Friday – Stay and Chat - 10am-12
Saturday – Pilates – 9:30am

Centre Stage Performing Arts School

Wednesday – 9:30am-12:30pm
Saturday 2-4pm –
Drama/Theatre @IMC

Uniformed Groups

(Tuesday @ IMC)
Rainbows - 5pm / Brownies -
6pm

Ladies Group - 7:30pm @IMC

Oct 22nd - Harvest addagrams
Nov 12th Dominoes
Nov 26th Trevor Williams

Tuesday House Bible Group - 7:30pm @ the home of Lynn Hind

We welcome anyone who wishes
to join us and explore the Book of
James

Birthdays this week

Oct 16, Martha Woodcock and
Lynn Hind

News sheet – 12 Oct 2025 -

Rev Tim Simms - 01773750659 Tim.simms@methodist.org.uk



Sunday Worship @ IMC

12 Oct - 10:30am – Café Praise led by
Wednesday Ladies Group

19 Oct – 10:30am – Mrs Geraldine Stamp
19 Oct – 7pm – Soul Café – Season 15
Thinking about 'Love' with interview guest
Georgina Atkins

26 Oct- 10:30am – Paul Selby

2 Nov - 10:30am – Café Style Worship
2 Nov – 4pm – ROOTED

9 Nov – 10:30am – Remembrance Sunday

16 Nov – 10:30am – Rev Peter Willis
16 Nov – 7pm – Soul Café – Season 16

Welcome!

We are delighted
you are here with
us.

If it is your first
visit, then a
particularly warm
welcome to you.
We have tea and
coffee at the end
of our services.

Please stay and
have a chat we
will be very
happy to answer
any questions
you may have.

IMC Church Council Meeting – Oct 28th

** ROOTED @IMC - 2nd November – 4pm

The BIG QUIZ - November 15th – 7pm

Please send Articles and items for Notices By 9pm Wednesday

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METHODIST CHURCH
Lodge Lane North DE21 7AP

Presents
An evening of
entertainment with
TOM ELLIOTT
Date – Friday October 24th
at 7.00 pm

Magician, Comedian & Christian
Communicator
Tickets £1 – See poster for more
details

October 2025

12 - Homeless Sunday
12-18 - Prisons Week
19 - Freedom Sunday
20-27 - One World Week
26 - Bible Sunday

November 2025

1 - All Saints Day
9 - Remembrance
Sunday
10-16 - Interfaith Week
23 - Women against
Violence Sunday
30 - Advent Sunday

Autumn
Fayre
25th October
11am – 3pm Free
Entry
West Hallam
Methodist Church

Live Music,
Refreshments,
Local craft stalls,
Bric-A-Brac,
proceeds to the
church funds

IMC Staff news

We have two new members of staff on the IMC team to tell you about and two new initiatives we are working on.

Hannah McKay, a circuit appointment working with us (and other churches in the circuit) as a children and family worker, a group of us have met with Hannah, and in the near future, we are starting a new parent and toddler group at church. We have an enthusiastic team who are going to work with Hannah to provide this new group. The group will be distinctly Christian and will include Bible stories in the session.

Alison Wood, has been appointed by the circuit to work with us and other churches as a 'CAMEO' (Come And Meet Each Other) role is not based on a formal organisation; it came from a Mid Derbyshire Circuit stewards initiative out of a circuit consultation to provide support for a principally for over 55's (Potentially neglected group). It follows a 'Pioneer' work principle.

The first project we are looking at is a Men's group probably meeting in the IMC basement with a provisional name of 'Basement Buddies' with the venue 'Basement Bar'! (kind of a 'youth' club NOT for youths!).

It's Christmas Time Again

We are looking for volunteers from IMC, to participate in a small performance – singing and drama – to present the story of Christmas, **on Saturday 13th Dec at the Christmas Tree festival**. Please consider taking part, if interested please see Chris Stevens or Helen Shirtcliffe.

Pray with us today.

Source – Methodist Church

Come as a dove flying over still waters of hope, putting peace into the hearts of people who would wage war.
Come to the captives and the refugees. Comfort all people who wait for freedom and all people who wait for them to be free.
Come as the sound of silence to hear the cries of people whose lives are limited by gender-based violence and domination. Stir up the hearts of all who abuse their power and privilege.
Come as flames of justice to a world where children are hungry; a world ripped apart by untruths and greed.
Come as water cascading down a mountain washing away the inequities of wealth and poverty.
Come change the story. Come Holy Spirit, come now.

Amen.

Penny McCulloch, worship leader, Balsall Common Methodist Church, West Midlands.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE ILKESTON CHURCHES

Please see the summary regarding whats Happening

URC (Green Spire) are hosting an afternoon tea on 25 October – proceeds for League of Friends

- **Church of Christ** – are carving pumpkins on 29 October (not the scary stuff – it will be funny faces or a Christian symbol)
- **St Mary's** will be open on 31 October to distribute Lights AND are in discussions with the Showman's Guild about short open-air worship at The Fair on Sunday, 19 October, 12 noon
- **Holy Trinity** is taking the lead (on behalf of all of us) to organise visits to Care Homes – next potential visit is on 9 October to Haddon House

The next meeting will take place on 10 Feb at Church of Christ, Adam Street

Ilkeston Fair

The traditional Ilkeston Charter Fair takes place Wednesday 15 – Sunday 19 October 2025

Dates for Diary -

Study Morning: Dementia Friendly Worship at The Dwelling Place

Sat 18th Oct 10am to 1pm
No need to book, just come along

If you are involved in Dementia Worship then come along and share experiences and information and let's learn together.

This is open to anyone who has an interest in leading dementia worship, or who just wants to know more.

Contact: Alison Wood (CAMEO Pioneer Worker)

Muddy Church

Sun 19th Oct (venue to be decided)

Muddy Church - Saturday
22nd November

LWP Meeting at Codnor Methodist Church

Tuesday 25th November 7.30pm

Coming Soon

Dec 7th – Churches Together
Worship – IMC

Opening of the New Doors and foyer
2 New Groups