St Thomas Methodist Church, Cowick Street, Exeter

Sunday morning worship at 10.30am

tea/coffee will be served in the Foyer every week after worship

05 October Mr David House12 October Mrs Pam Murphy

19 October Rev Donna Leigh, with Holy Communion

26 October Rev Stephen Mosedale

Our Fair Trade @ StThomas SHOP is open every week after worship.

Please browse the SHOP over coffee; if you have any enquiries, please ask.

HOUSEGROUP meets on **Monday 13 October** at 2.30pm.



Sunday 26 October

Significant Journeys: Naomi and Ruth return to Bethlehem

Craft activities from 3pm; short worship slot at 4.15pm; finish with a drink and a snack from 4.30pm. *All children must be acoompanied by a parent/carer*.

further details from: Caroline White 07854 482349

TUESDAY SOCIAL GROUP 2 – 4pm in the Church Foyer

"... fancy some company and a chat over a cuppa? ..."

Open to everyone; just bring yourself and invite a friend!

Next meetings - 14 and 28 October

Craft4Others meets fortnightly on Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Church Lounge. **NEXT MEETINGS – 02, 16 + 30 October**

AUTUMN FAIR Saturday 11 October from 10am-3pm

A variety of stalls, including hand-knits and crochet items, gifts and novelties, handmade jewellery, fused glass and ornaments.

Children's crafts, refreshments and cakes; dancing and music performances.

Lots to browse and enjoy!

Circuit Surgery at **Tedburn St Mary Methodist Church Thursday 23 October** at **7.30pm.** An opportunity for everyone to meet with our Superintendent minister and members of the other churches in our section. **Everyone is invited to attend!** If you would like to access a lift, please speak to Mary Bews

If you signed up ... DON'T FORGET!

CHURCH SOCIAL EVENT: an evening of skittles and buffet at the British Legion Club, Alphington. Saturday 25 October at 7pm.

Coming up ..

Christmas shoeboxes for Ukraine and Moldova 2025

Empty boxes are available from church if you would like to fill one. Please remember to mark it clearly with the age of the recipient. Filled boxes need to be brought to church by the first weekend of November. Speak to Mary Bews for more information.

After the success of the "Great Big Church Spring-Clean!" in April, we are having a "Great Big Halls Autumn-Clean!" on Saturday 1 November from 9.30am until 12pm. We need to keep our premises in good order for the many groups and hirers that use them. If you are able to join us, please bring some rubber gloves, we will provide tea, coffee and biscuits! Many thanks, Peter Goodwin and the Property Team

Christmas IS coming ... and if you would like to order CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARDS, or other items, please see Janet Lee, or place a written order in the 'L' pigeonhole.

I will be pleased to place orders from:

- WE ARE FAIR TRADE (see packs of cards displayed in the Foyer)
- TRANSFORM TRADE (see details on the noticeboard in the Foyer)
- **Ethical Superstore** (see catalogue in the Foyer)
- The **LEPROSY MISSION** (see catalogue in the Foyer)
- Just Cards to support the work of BARNABAS AID (see leaflet in the Foyer)
 - ** Please note that there is sometimes limited stock of items, so orders placed early are more likely to be able to be fulfilled **

90th Armiversary. Thank you everyone for contributing to our year of celebration. It has been a wonderful renewal of fellowship and memories with friends old and new. As we move forward sharing together in worship, witness and fellowship, please continue to work and pray for the future of our church and community.

Mary Bews Senior Church Steward

Thank you! On behalf of the Church Leadership team, may I thank you for your financial contribution to the Church. Thank you if you gave to the gift month; the first time we have needed to ask you for additional money since before the pandemic. We raised £5200 towards the cost of the parapet repairs of £9100.

I realise that money is tight for most of us at the moment, however I would ask you to consider increasing your giving; even if it is only by £1 per week, or £5 a month. If everyone did this it would ensure that we can balance the books.

David Bradford Church Treasurer

Keep in touch...

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