

*Bits and Pieces . . . and please keep them coming in!*

Here is your 91st Midland Unitarian Association Bits & Pieces for December 2015. If you want any news from your congregation included here, please send it to me (details below)

**CHRISTMAS SERVICES AROUND THE MUA**

The following services will be taking place to celebrate the festive season:

**Sunday 6th December:**

Old Meeting House, **Coseley**: Christmas / Advent Service, 11.00 am

**Sunday 13th December:**

Unitarian New Meeting Church **Birmingham**: Carol Service, 3.00 pm

The Great Meeting House Unitarian Church, **Coventry**: Carol Service 3.00 pm

Park Lane Unitarian Chapel, **Cradley**: Carol Service, 6.30 pm

New Meeting House, **Kidderminster**: Carol Service, 11.00 am

Presbyterian (Unitarian) Chapel, **Stourbridge**: Carol Service, 3.00 pm

**Friday 18th December:**

Warwick Unitarian Chapel: Carol Service, 4.30 pm

**Sunday 20th December:**

Banbury Unitarian Fellowship: Carol Service, 11.00 am

Cheltenham & Gloucester Unitarians: Christmas / Solstice Service

Old Meeting House, **Dudley**: Black Country Group Carol Service, 3.00 pm

Northampton Unitarians: Congregational Carol Service, 10.30 am

**Thursday 24th December (Christmas Eve):**

New Meeting House, **Kidderminster**: short reflective service 12.00 noon

Kingswood Meeting House: Carol Service 7.00 pm

Kingswood Meeting House: Communion Service 11.30 pm

**Thursday 25th December (Christmas Day):**

Unitarian New Meeting Church **Birmingham**: Christmas Day service, 11.00 am

Kingswood Meeting House: Family Christmas service, 10.00 am

**Sunday 27th December:**

Only five MUA churches / chapels will be open on this day: Birmingham, Cheltenham, Evesham, Kidderminster, and Shrewsbury.

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**SEND A CHILD TO HUCKLOW - ARE YOU PLANNING TO SHOP ONLINE THIS CHRISTMAS?**

Raise funds with the click of a mouse at [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk). If you go to your favourite online stores via easyfundraising, after selecting Send a Child to Hucklow as your preferred charity, your shopping will generate funds for SACH at no extra cost to yourself. Why not give it a try for your Christmas shopping?

**OR** If you have a Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) account, you can donate directly online by quoting the keyword 'Hucklow'.

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Next year, the District will celebrate its 150th anniversary, and I hope to see many of you at our special Annual General Meeting on 26th March at New Meeting House, Kidderminster, when we will be celebrating this great occasion. Watch this space ...

Wishing my Unitarian friends and colleagues all around the Midlands a blessed and peaceful Christmas, and a happy, busy and fruitful New Year.

If you have any contributions for the next *Bits & Pieces*, please send them to me at 5, Martins Road, Piddington, Northampton NN7 2DN or via e-mail to [revsuewoolley@gmail.com](mailto:revsuewoolley@gmail.com) . Thank you!