

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

Here is your 102nd Midland Unitarian Association Bits & Pieces for November 2016. If you want any news from your congregation included here, please send it to me (details below)

Key Messages from the MUA Executive Committee Meeting 1st October 2016

1. Cotswold Group Ministry: Rev. Dr. Rob Whiteman starts his ministry with the Cotswold Group on Saturday 1st October. (see below)
2. MUA Annual General Meeting: the date for the 2017 AGM was set for Saturday 25th March, at Kingswood. Rev. Danny Crosby is to be our Guest Speaker.
3. Sabbatical: Rev. Sue Woolley had circulated a paper, requesting that she be granted a 10-week sabbatical from July - September 2017. This was approved unanimously by the committee, subject to the addition of a week 11, because she is intending to work during week 8.

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COTSWOLD GROUP APPOINTS NEW MINISTER, REV. DR. ROB WHITEMAN



The Cotswold Group of Unitarian and Free Christian Churches are delighted to announce that Rev. Dr. Rob Whiteman has been appointed to be our Minister with effect from 1st October 2016. We feel very fortunate and are looking forward to having Rob with us.

It always takes time to build new relationships, but I hope we will embrace change and enthusiastically work with Rob as he steers our Congregations into the future.

Alison Thursfield (from MU Now)

CAROL SERVICES IN 2016

Yes, it's nearly that time of year again ... no doubt many of our MUA congregations have got their plans for December well in hand. It would be very useful for me to know when your Carol Service is going to be, and who will be leading it, so that I can include this information in the December issue of *Bits & Pieces*. Very many thanks.

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 . Thank you!