



Hello. If you would like to send me any information or Churches Together group news for the December 2023 newsletter, please send it by 1<sup>st</sup> December. Thank you!

Safeguarding Sunday 2023 - On **Sunday 19 November 2023** churches across the UK are encouraged to mark Safeguarding Sunday together. [Resources available online here](#)



## THE HEREFORD PASSION

Auditions: Tuesday 14 & Thursday 16 November 2023

Production: Friday 8 & Saturday 9 March 2024

Hereford Cathedral is delighted to announce that it will be staging its own theatrical production of the Passion in March 2024.

The Hereford Passion will be performed by members of the local community and share the story of Jesus' final days, leading to the crucifixion. The production, which will take place in the nave of Hereford Cathedral on Friday 8 and Saturday 9 March 2024, will be directed by the Revd Canon Chancellor James Pacey who joined the cathedral in June.

The cast and crew of the Hereford Passion will be formed from the local community and across Hereford Diocese. The cathedral will be inviting individuals aged 11 years old and above to attend an informal audition and information evening in November, with weekly rehearsals starting in January. Details to register interest for informal auditions can be found at [www.herefordcathedral.org/hereford-passion-auditions](http://www.herefordcathedral.org/hereford-passion-auditions).

**We are seeking people of all ages from 11 upwards**, of all backgrounds and beliefs to form the company. Folks will be invited to attend an informal audition and information evening in November, with weekly rehearsals starting in January.

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More information about the project can be found here: [The Hereford Passion 2024 | Hereford Cathedral](http://The Hereford Passion 2024 | Hereford Cathedral)

Here are some ideas about ecumenical activities that your Church/Churches Together group could do - Thy Kingdom Come 23 resources:

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/sites/default/files/2023-01/TKC%202023%20Ideas.pdf>





**Journey of the Magi** – a festive, light-hearted, joyful event with a moving and profound message.

The show offers a bridge between contemporary life and Jesus's birth, comparing our own personal journey to Christmas day with the journey that the wise men took. With sparkle and songs to keep the children entertained and bags of good humour for the grown-ups, **Journey of the Magi** delights audiences of all ages and offers a chance to reflect and refocus.

Springs is inviting churches to host a performance of **Journey of the Magi**, which will be available nationally during Advent 2023.

Further information can be found on the Springs Dance Company website page: <https://springsdancecompany.org.uk/productions/journey-of-the-magi/>, by emailing [touring@springsdancecompany.org.uk](mailto:touring@springsdancecompany.org.uk) or by calling 07775 628442.

#### **Churches Together in Ross News:**

There will be a CTRD Tear Fund Big quiz on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm at the Tudorville community centre. All proceeds will go to Tear Fund. It should be appearing on the CTRD web page soon.

They are also organising a Light up a Life service on 26th November at 6pm at Ross Baptist Church, and Community Freecycle, 9th December at 2pm at The Venue. For more

information, please contact the CEO on [herefordshireceo@gmail.com](mailto:herefordshireceo@gmail.com)

**Superbook Academy:** Engage, educate, and inspire young hearts with Superbook Academy! Join us in impacting children's lives through timeless Bible stories and fulfilling our mission to help every child everywhere hear the Gospel in their own language.

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**WEST MIDLANDS KICK  
COACHES/MENTORS/CHAPLAINCY (FULL TIME AND PART TIME)**

**LOCATION:**

**We are pleased to have a variety of job opportunities across the West Midlands in Redditch, Worcester, Hereford, Worcestershire, Wolverhampton and Telford.**

An exciting opportunity to deliver quality sports sessions and/or mentoring, dance and chaplaincy depending on role within our schools on a weekly basis. The coach/Mentor will be passionate about embedding values within each session and be committed to our mission, to transform young people's lives with Gods love, through sport and support.

For more information, please click on the link:  
<https://kick.org.uk/careers/>



**CHURCHES  
TOGETHER  
in HEREFORDSHIRE**

**Speaker: Tony Hodder -  
How is LEAF Carrying  
Out Ecumenical Work in  
Ledbury**

**There will also be  
worship,  
interviews and tea  
and coffee!**

**The Palace,  
Hereford HR4 9BL**

**Wednesday  
8th November  
at 10am**

**Come and join us!**

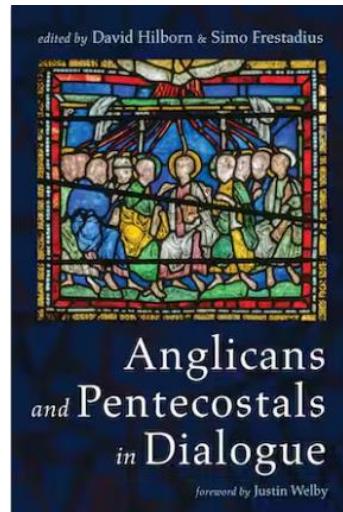


We have a vacancy for Wardens for our temporary housing facility based at the Merton Hotel. These are flexible casual posts to cover overnight Monday to Friday and for the weekend, daytime and night.

Full details are in the enclosed advert and job description.

Full details of the vacancy are available on our website and all our social media sites.

<https://www.vennture.org.uk/work-for-vennture/>



This is the first comprehensive book on Anglican and Pentecostal ecumenical relations. It introduces both movements with a particular focus on their approaches to ecumenism, before exploring sacraments, ministry, ecclesiology, pneumatology, and mission with respect to both traditions. As well as providing more theological and historical discussion, the book also offers personal accounts of local, national, and international ecumenical engagement by both Anglicans and Pentecostals. It is written predominantly--although not exclusively--from a British perspective. Even so, as the first major published dialogue between these two global Christian traditions, the book will be of value to all interested in Anglicanism, Pentecostalism, and ecumenism.

Local call to reopen Leominster Asylum Hotel finally heard



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Kathy Bland, called the Council to reopen the Talbot hotel, Leominster to asylum seekers. In an interview given to Free Radio, she said: "We're so happy Herefordshire Council have made such a strong stance on it [asylum] - that they're doing all they can to get it [The Talbot] reopened and the asylum seekers back in."

If you would like to find out more, please click on the link:

[https://planetradio.co.uk/free/local/news/diocese-of-hereford-welcome-call-to-reopen-leominster-asylum-hotel/?mc\\_cid=74ccf373dd&mc\\_eid=d922883a44](https://planetradio.co.uk/free/local/news/diocese-of-hereford-welcome-call-to-reopen-leominster-asylum-hotel/?mc_cid=74ccf373dd&mc_eid=d922883a44)

Worship Conference 2023 - with headline speaker Tim Hughes



Please click on this link to find out more and to book tickets for this event:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/worship-conference-2023-with-headline-speaker-tim-hughes-tickets-672064291387>

**Single friendly Church**

Single Friendly Church Network

We're coming to the Christian Resources Exhibition Midlands next month with a programme of events to celebrate our launch as a new charity.

Wednesday 8th - Thurs 9th November,  
Cranmore Park, Birmingham B90 4LF

**Visit our stand D7:** We'll send you away with lots of practical tips and free resources for your church.

**Join us for cake:** We're celebrating our launch as a charity with a cake cutting on our stand D7, Wednesday 8th at 3pm.

**Come to our talk:** We're giving a talk on "Why your church should become 'Single Friendly'" on Thursday 9th at 3:30pm, Talk Area 1

We have a free ticket link - please do pass this ticket offer to any church leaders who may wish to

attend. [eventdata.uk/Forms/Form.aspx?FormMode=COMP&FormRef=CREB3Visitor&TrackingCode=SINGLE](http://eventdata.uk/Forms/Form.aspx?FormMode=COMP&FormRef=CREB3Visitor&TrackingCode=SINGLE)