Welcome to everyone, especially if you are visiting or new to us! We’re delighted that you’re worshipping with us today. In this leaflet and on the Community Table (at the back of the Nave near the Baptistery) you’ll find more about what is happening in and around here.

- **This week**
  The Canon Precentor is in residence this week. The Reader assisting at the Cathedral Eucharist today is Stephen Baker (St Mary’s, Walsgrave). Canon Sarah is leading Holy Communion at Studley at 10am this morning.

- **Prayer Points for this month**
  As we head into the summer, we pray for refreshment and renewal for Cathedral staff and community, as well as those visiting us.

- **Gift Aid declarations: today!**
  We are currently moving all our information onto a new database. As part of this process, we are collecting fresh gift aid declarations from those who are able to boost their giving in this way. If you need more information about how gift aid works and whether you qualify, please see me. If you currently use gift aid but have yet to complete a fresh declaration, please collect a form from the community table today. **Dave Goodall**

- **International Youth Gathering, from today until Friday 3rd August**
  The Community of the Cross of Nails and Reconciliation Ministry Team are very much looking forward to welcoming a number of young adult visitors arriving on Sunday 29th July for our **International Youth Gathering**: 25 young people from South and central Africa, Asia, Germany, Eastern Europe, the USA and the UK are coming for five days of reconciliation learning, sharing and creating! If you're at morning or evening prayer or the litany, please **do come** and say hello! **Alice Farnhill**

As part of the Gathering, we are holding two evenings of peaceful reflection in the Cathedral, both from 7:30 to 8:45pm, to which you’re very welcome:

1. **Wednesday 1st August**, Taizé Worship with Leamington Taizé, and
2. **Thursday 2nd August**, Cathedral by Candlelight.

Both events are free to attend – just come along! **Cerys Smith**
• **Mothers Union, Thursday 2nd August at 10:30am**

We will meet in the Lecture Hall. Our speaker will be Christine Philp from Berkswell who will tell us the story behind being the recipient of Maundy Money in Windsor Castle; should be interesting! Anyone welcome. *Evelyn Warwick*

• **HSBC Let’s Ride Coventry on Sunday 5th August 2018**

This event will affect access to the cathedral; details are available on the Community Table. *Lou Nicholls*

• **Meeting about Prayer Ministry, Sunday 5th August after the 10:30 Eucharist**

There will be a short meeting with Canon Kathryn in the Chapel of Unity – about 12.15, bring your coffee – to let all Cathedral prayer ministers and any others who may be interested in joining the team see and talk about the revised Guidelines for Prayer at the 10.30 Eucharist. It is also to ask for views on possible follow-up to the Healing for the Heart training held last Saturday, e.g. an opportunity to share our stories and/ or pray for each other? Lastly, should such an event be on a Saturday or an evening? *Canon Kathryn*

• **Food Bank News**

During the months of June and July I took 211 items of food to the Foodbank warehouse, including items bought with cash donations of £237 from 23 people. Thank you to everyone who supports this work. NB: because of the Let’s Ride event, the next Foodbank Sunday will be 12th August, then 2nd September and 7th October. *Richard Chamberlaine Brothers*

• **Cathedral Servers - Help Needed**

The Servers are the people who assist the clergy in leading the worship offered by the Cathedral. They not only lead the clergy and choir in procession using the Cross and Candles, but carry out a practical role so that the worship enjoyed by the community runs smoothly and with dignity. The team is open to both sexes and has people of all ages and from all walks of life. In donning the robes we become one team, not just an individual but part of the whole. We are looking for new volunteers to join in this important and often varied role. If you are interested, please speak to myself or any of the servers or contact me on mail@cmcliffe.co.uk or 024 7650 2127. No previous experience is needed and all training will be provided. *Chris Cliffe, Head Server*

• **News from Jane and Martin Williams**

We thank everyone for their messages of support and ongoing prayers for us over the past two years and following Stephen’s death. It has been hard for us being so far away from home and we have missed our Cathedral family. However, knowing how much we have been in your thoughts and prayers has helped so much. We are heading home on 2nd August and should be at the Cathedral on the following Sunday. *Jane and Martin*

• **Cathedral Prayer Circle**

In an emergency, a group of us is ready to pray for your concerns. Meg Bowen 01926 856928.

Please send brief items of Cathedral news and events for the next edition of Cathedral Matters by the end of **Tuesday 31st July** for publication next Sunday to cathedral.matters@coventrycathedral.org.uk or phone 024 7652 1227.