



## Hub Happenings ... Circuit News!

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In October, an invitation was extended to each church in the Circuit to be part of a Growing the Vision Afternoon. Every church was represented and there were some great conversations. The main focus was to begin to understand more of each other's church mini mission-action plans, and to explore how the hubs will work together. One thing the CLT (Circuit Leadership Team) heard loud and clear was that the Circuit should keep communicating about how the work was progressing.

So, welcome to the first of the Circuit's **Hub Happenings**. Every month, a member of the CLT (either a member of staff or a Circuit Steward) will produce an edition of Hub Happenings. We'll share news, challenge you to an action, and offer a prayer. (Usually an A5 or A4 sheet). This month Rev Ruth Wilson is our editor.

**News:** A couple of pieces of news for this month. First, the new Hub Logo! The concept is that the hubs, and the Circuit, flourish when there is a dynamic relationship. The logo shows churches reaching out to each other, to their neighbour and always beckoning others to join in. The churches are not fully linked, but always within reach of the other. The churches are constantly in a dynamic movement. The second piece of news is the staff have produced a Circuit Advent Liturgy. We've adapted the Connexional resource Hush the Noise, to include some prayers for the Circuit and the Hubs. We hope you find it helpful as you journey through this Advent.

**Action:** We encourage you to share the Hub logo, so people become familiar with it, and begin to 'own' it. Can it be displayed somewhere prominently in your church?

### Prayer:

Holy and loving God,

We are a Circuit, united in faith and purpose and give thanks for God's faithfulness to us.

We give thanks for every church in the Circuit and for the faithfulness of the people of God within them. As the people of the Bromsgrove & Redditch Circuit, exploring how best to use our resources, and moving into hub work, we acknowledge that we take a step into the unknown, but we do this prayerfully and we ask that you will bless us in this time of transition. Loving God, as the Hubs strive to work **together**, to **flourish**, to **thrive**, to **serve**, to **tell**, and to **love**, may your Spirit inspire and encourage each person in every church to do their part to help build bridges of understanding and cooperation. Grant us the wisdom always to discern your will and the courage to act upon it. Help us to listen well and may our words be filled with your grace and our actions reflect your compassion. As we journey together, may our hubs and churches be beacons of hope, sources of healing, and communities of love. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.