

Corton Methodist Church

Our congregation numbers remain small but we are determined to remain open. We frequently have visitors from Warners across the road and many of them join us again when returning for another short break.

We are part of the Lowestoft and East Suffolk Circuit and we rely on our Retired Ministers and Local Preachers to keep our churches open for worship Sunday by Sunday. We could not manage without them,

The only midweek activity we have as a church is our thriving Parents and Toddlers Group. This delightful group is led by Wendy Slaney, one of our long-standing church members and her sister Pat. They meet on Wednesday mornings. Corton Ladies Group use our premises once a month for their meetings.

Finance is a problem and we are always trying to raise money by having money raising events. We decided to try Beetle Drives again early in the year and these proved to be very popular and provided much enjoyment. We are hoping to fit more in during late Autumn. Now our monthly Coffee Mornings have started up and these will be outside when it is warm enough. They would be nothing without the wonderful refreshments which are served each time. The bacon rolls being especially popular! Our Christmas Fair was very successful.

As usual we held our Carols by Candlelight service. Our church was beautifully decorated by our very talented Paula Brown and the lovely service was led by our minister Rev Martin Keenan. Several people stayed after the service for refreshments and a chat. On Christmas Day Rev Robert Soanes led an inspirational service.

In the summer we were extremely grateful to receive a large amount of money from Gary and Paula Brown following their Afternoon Teas event. The weather was terrible but all their helpers were so delightful and we all had a wonderful time.

Dawn Marskell Church Steward