



Our Social Story: Trinity Methodist Church, Codsall

We know how anxiety-inducing entering an unfamiliar place can be.

Whether you are joining us for a regular service on a Sunday, a special occasion with friends and family members, or joining one of our many clubs and events – we want to make sure that you are as welcome and as comfortable as possible.



If the information you need isn't here, please check out our accessibility guide in full, or email codsallmethodist@gmail.com

When you arrive	
	<p>There are lots of places to park, including marked accessible spaces at the front and rear entrances, for those who need to be close to the doors, and/or who need additional space for mobility aids or wheelchairs.</p>
 	<p>There are 3 different entrances to the building.</p> <p>If you are attending an event in the HALL, use the FRONT entrance, marked TRINITY COMMUNITY CENTRE.</p> <p>If you are attending an event or group in the LOUNGE, use the REAR entrance.</p>



If you are attending a service or large event, use the CHURCH ENTRANCE using the DOOR with the ramp.

When you are here

Each room has flexible seating, so find the place you find most comfortable for the activity you have come for.



Sanctuary

Hall





Lounge



There are sensory kits available in each room. Help yourself to things that will help you stay connected to what's happening whilst you are here. Remember to put the things back so that you can help other people too.



There are 2 toilet blocks.

One block is at the rear entrance. This is neutral in colour. There are two toilet stalls in each room.

There is an inclusive accessible toilet towards the rear of the building. It has grab rails, adapted taps and handles. There is an emergency alarm fitted if your get into difficulty.



One block is at the front of the building. The walls are brightly coloured, and they are lit from a ceiling window. There are provisions in these toilets for children or for those short in stature.

There are baby changing facilities in both toilets.

All female-gender toilets, and the inclusive accessible toilet, have free period products for you to use if you need them.



Most of our groups are able to use the kitchen for drinks and refreshments.






Drinks are usually served from the serveries.

If you are here for worship



There will be music and singing. You are welcome to sing along. The words will be shown on the screen. People will often stand up to sing. You can choose to stand up or stay seated.

	<p>There will be prayers said to God. At this point we are quiet to help each other focus. You are invited to participate in the quiet space and help those with you to listen too. There are sensory kits for you to use if that helps you.</p>
	<p>There will be a 'sermon' or talk. There is a Lego™ table that you can use. These bricks can be noisy, so please be respectful of other people who may be participating in a different way to you in the service. If you have questions, you can ask them of the person at the front, or someone you trust, after the service. There are pens and paper in the sensory box in the Sanctuary if you'd like to write them down.</p>
	<p>People will talk to you because they are pleased to see you. Feel free to talk about what's important to you.</p>
	<p>Drinks and biscuits will be served after the service. You are welcome to help yourself to these.</p>

Our building can be overwhelming if you are not sure about it.

Maps like the one on the next page are located at all the exit doors. If you're still unsure where to find what you need, or what the expectations are, find someone you trust to help you.

You are really welcome to be here, and we would love it if you discover that this is a place where you can be 'you'.

