



# Congresbury Methodist Church News

Weeks beginning 16th June 2024



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## Church Services & Events for JUNE 2024

**Sunday 16th 11.00am Morning Worship led by Rob Haskins**  
**Sunday 23rd 11.00am Morning Worship led by Rev. Ian Bowley**  
**Sunday 30th 11.00am Morning Worship led by Jacqueline Cobb**

**MEG'S FAREWELL SERVICE** will be on **Sunday 28th July – 6 p.m. –at Churchill Methodist Chapel. This will be a Circuit Service.**

**CREAM TEA** Our last service led by Meg will be on **Sunday 14th July at 11:00 AM** and will be a communion service so we are proposing having a Cream Tea on the **Saturday afternoon (July 13th)** the day before. Nicola Cunningham and her band of helpers will be selling tickets at **£6 a head** to start our Fundraising so why not come and say farewell to Meg and Graham whilst enjoying a delightful cream tea.  
*Kathleen*

At our annual church council it was agreed that as we had not managed to do any fundraising for our charity of the year last year it was suggested the Air Ambulance would continue to be our charity for this year. Any ideas for fundraising and how we can raise money for this charity and our church? as any fund raising is half and half for each fund. Can you think of anything to raise funds please and how can you help.  
Kathleen xxxx

**PRAYER** Father God, we pray for the church that it may be filled with a greater awareness of what it means to be open to God; for congregations everywhere, that they will be seeking earnestly the gifts and the fruit of the spirit's presence; for a greater urgency and desire to be filled with the love of God. We pray for our churches, O Lord, that we may be more and more eager to receive all that You have to give and to be more aware of our responsibility and sharing your love with our neighbours. May the grace of Christ challenge us through His Spirit, and we thank you Lord that you hear our prayers. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen

The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the Gospel of God's love in Christ and to live it's discipleship in worship and mission

There is a very warm welcome to everyone worshipping our Lord in this place. After morning worship there is refreshments and an opportunity to have a chat.



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You are invited to a  
**CREAM TEA**



**On Saturday July 13th**  
**3.00pm-5.00pm**

**Entrance Fee is £6**

**Money raised is for Air Ambulance and Church Funds**

**This will also be your chance to come and say Farewell to Meg and Graham**

**My thoughts for this week**

**As we get older, it's amazing how much thinking we do in our daily lives and often, how problems which used to worry one for ages are now hardly a worry at all.**

**One of the biggest problems I find was touched on by Janet Day last Sunday morning which is how we can be properly appreciative to other people when they endeavour to render assistance.**

**For instance, I found recently it was a problem to be properly appreciative when an acquaintance offered to see me across the road! I had to reassure myself that when they are not there I can still do it for myself!**

**It's all really covered by the phrase "Growing old gracefully!"**

**Someone I know was always complaining what a poor start they had in life which was a little daunting until I managed to encourage them to speak and celebrate about how well they had done in life!**

**Perhaps we should all endeavour to try to do this, by sharing all the blessings we have experienced in life and forgetting all the sad or troubling times which we have experienced over the years. *KEN HILL***

**There is an **ADVANCE NOTICE** as there is a welcome service for our new Minister Revd. Andrew Bell. This will be held on Wednesday 4th September at Cheddar Methodist Chapel – beginning at 5.00 p.m. with tea and then followed by the service at 7.00 p.m.**

**The Somerset & Mendip Circuit are holding a Guided Retreat on Saturday 20th July at Walton Village Hall BA16 0LA – 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Please bring a packed lunch, drinks will be provided, a Bible, notebook and pen. Free parking is available. If you would be interested in going would you please contact Revd. Collin Moore on 01963 351598 – e-mail: [collin.moore@methodist.org.uk](mailto:collin.moore@methodist.org.uk)**

*Thought For The Week .*

**STAY AWHILE**

**It's good to share a joke  
With kind and friendly folk.  
To see the funny side of life  
To leave awhile the toil and strife.**

**It's good to have a day of fun  
In God's pure air and warming sun.  
To smell the pungent salt sea breeze  
Or laze beneath the shady trees.**

**God meant us to be happy and free  
His beauty's everywhere to see  
So do not hurry through this day  
Let God's gift of laughter have its way.**

