

Congresbury Methodist Church News Weeks beginning 26th October 2025

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

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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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Church Services & Events for OCTOBER 2025

Saturday 25th 10.00—12noon CHURCH
OUTREACH/OPEN day

Sunday 26th 11.00am Morning Worship led by Heather Gale

Wednesday 29th 11.30am Church Council Meeting in the church. There will be refreshments before the meeting



Monthly Open Outreach Day
This weekend! Saturday 25th October
from 10am—12noon.

There will be some music by John. Also Teas, coffee, cream scones, The Church doors will be open wide and everyone is welcome.

Please come along and bring your friends.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING-Wednesday Oct 29th

There will be refreshments at 10.30am followed by our Church Council Meeting in the Church at 11.00am. It is important that we all try to be at this meeting

Kathleen

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Sunday 2nd 11.00am Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Andrew Bell

Remembrance Sunday 10th <u>10.30am</u> at St Andrews Church Service

OUR CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED

Wednesday 12th 10.30am The regular Prayer and Fellowship meeting at Mary's house (21 Pauls Causeway) Refreshments will be on offer afterwards as usual.

Sunday 16th 11.00am Morning Worship led by Eric Small

Saturday 22nd 10.00—12noon CHURCH OUTREACH/OPEN day

Sunday 23rd 11.00am Morning Worship led by Tony Stevenson

Sunday 30th 11.00am Morning Worship led by Mary Clark

'Your Life' forms -REMINDER

A couple of weeks ago Kathleen handed out forms and would now really appreciate it if she could have them returned by this Sunday (Oct 26th) please.

John

Thank you very much for the

Letter from Judith Cole

Dear All.

generous gift you have given me as I retire as Senior Circuit Steward. It was most unexpected and I am very touched by it. My thanks to your church and everyone who contributed towards this gift.

The picture painted by Barbara Ellis from Cheddar is beautiful and I will treasure it. The bouquet of flowers I received at the Circuit Service are also beautiful. It was a huge privilege to serve the Circuit as a Circuit Steward and I thank you for that opportunity. I know that the circuit will thrive as Lois has become the Senior Circuit Steward. There is an excellent team under Rev Andrew Prout's leadership.

Once again, thank you. God Bless you all. *Judith*

PRAYER Father, we thank you for the words and deeds of those who have changed life for other people; those who have brought the word of hope to those who are broken. the message of love to those who are down; those who spoke words of forgiveness to those who were wrong and whose lives brought encouragement to those without joy. Thank you for those who have warned others of danger and those who declare the good news of Christ. Father, we thank you for the whole life and ministry of Jesus that gives us hope and for the promise of the Holy Spirit, who gives us new life. We bring our thanks in Christ's Name. Amen

My thought for the week This last month has been quite hectic with Harvest and the Church's 150th anniversary plus the 175th Anniversary of Methodism in Congresbury. But we can't relax as we have Remembrance Sunday coming up and Christmas just around the corner. It's all busy, busy. Just how we like it!!

In reality I think the church thrives on such activities and it makes any of those occasions special as we think about years gone by and the many, many people who have crossed the threshold of the methodist church in Congresbury over the years. It is a tribute to those that have gone before and a guiding star for those to come and we can only hope that there will be plenty in the future to carry on the tradition so boldly held by their forebears.

But back to the here and now. We must prepare for all our services in the best way we can and make sure we focus on the reason we are holding the services. To say thanks to God for all he has provided and to ensure that we live our lives in a way that would please him. At times it will be difficult and may seem impossible to have any impact on the way the world is but if we don't try it certainly won't happen. It might be a small gesture of kindness but it can have such a big impact that it is always beneficial to the recipient.

Our open/outreach on the last Saturday of the month has so far proved to be very well received and may lead to more attendees to our other activities. If not, there is nothing lost but a small amount of time and you never know what will develop from such events. We must continue to show our faith in what we believe and share our love with our fellow villagers and passers-by, because you never know what impact it will

So lets keep on keeping on and enjoy the life we live and let others know how we do it.

BARRY SPARKS



PUT CLOCKS BACK

Extra hour in bed-26th Oct:

Thought For The Week

FRIENDSHIP IS A TWO-WAY THING. TO **HAVE A FRIEND, YOU**



NEED TO RE A **FRIEND**



Please support MAF at Yatton and learn of the work they do if you can. You will find it inspiring in their commitment to saving lives in the most difficult situations and at the same time sharing the Name of Jesus. This is their mission as they reach out to the lost. I have supported them for many, many years. John