

Congresbury Methodist Church News Weeks beginning 23rd November 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 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





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

Sunday 23rd 11.00am Morning Worship led by **Tony Stevenson**



Hope ADVENT SUNDAY 30th 11.00am **Morning Worship led by Mary Clark**





OTHER MEETINGS TO HELP WITH THE RUNNING OF THE CHURCH

The Property Committee have held a meeting to discuss and put forward a list of plans to enhance our church and then will hand it to the church council who then will be asked to further discuss these plans on

Wednesday 26th of November at 11.00am.

The meeting will be held at the church. Please can you all make note of the date and make every effort to attend the meeting

Wednesday December 3rd 11.00am

It has been proposed at our Church Council this week that we start a Bible Study in our church so if you think you would be interested please come along and join us in the church **FUTURE DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Our next church council meeting will be held on march 4th 2026 at 11.00am in our church.

Our Minister Andrew and Mary Clark and ourselves are holding an EXTRA Prayer Meeting solely for the life and mission of our Church at 7 Nomis Park on [DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED] If you feel you would like to join us, please come along. John & Kathleen.

STEWARD VACANCY

If there is anyone who feels they would be willing to come forward as a steward to fill this post please speak to Kathleen, Mary or Barry

PRAYER FOR PEACE Loving God, please grant me peace of mind and calm my troubled heart. My soul is like a turbulent sea. I can't seem to find my balance so I stumble and worry constantly. Give me the strength and clarity of mind to find my purpose and walk the path you've laid out for me. I trust Your love God, and know that You will heal this stress. Just as the sun rises each day against the dark of night. Please bring me clarity with the light of God. In Your name I pray, Amen.

My thought for the week is a missed opportunity for my Christian Discipleship.

One Sunday morning on my way to church service, I stopped to exchange greetings with a passerby. After a short conversation, I apologised that I had to rush off as I wanted to make it on time for Church. She then quipped with "say a prayer for me". I replied: "Of course, I will. But you could pray yourself and God will hear you?" Was that a missed opportunity to share my Christian faith? Instead of rushing off to be in time for church, should I have taken that chance to expand on why we pray to God and why I go to church? I could have spent a few more minutes to share and tell of God's grace and salvation. My priority should have been my Christian Discipleship rather than to being in time for church. God works by bringing situations and people into each person's life. As we interact, we're given opportunities to share our Christian faith. A lesson learnt from that was that I needed to have been prepared at all times to listen and make use of any opportunity to share our faith. It's not a prerequisite to be articulate or knowledgeable, but just be willing to share how God has and is working in our own lives.

Jesus Christ's disciple. Peter encouraged us in 1 Peter 3:15 -"But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.". May we all be prepared for that opportunity and always with Jesus Christ in our heart

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Come and have a Christmas tea at St **Andrews Church on Wednesday 17th** December from 2.00pm. There will be festive music and a happy welcome waiting for you.

Tickets £5 from Linda Fell and Ruth Wratton

Christmas Sale and Coffee Morning on Saturday 29th 10.00am—noon in Congresbury Methodist Hall. Crafts, plants, cards, cakes and jewellery for sale. Organised by the Friends of St Andrews, raising funds for church renovation and repairs. Entry £2 to include coffee/tea & biscuits. Come and enioy!

Church Services & Events for DECEMBER 2025

Sunday 7th 11.00am Morning Worship led by **Janet Dav**

Wednesday 10th 10.30am The regular Prayer and Fellowship meeting at Mary's house (21 Pauls Causeway) Refreshments will be on offer afterwards as usual.

Sunday 14th 11.00am Morning Worship led by **Ken Young**

Sunday 14th 4.00pm CAROL SERVICE led by **Rev Andrew Bell**

Sunday 21st 11.00am Morning Worship led by **Jacqueline Cobb**

Sunday 25th CHRISTMAS DAY Service 9. 00am led by Rev Andrew Bell

Sunday 28th COVENANT Service at 11.00am led by **Rev Andrew Bell**

Thought For The Week

The fear of the LORD leads to life: and whosoever has it rests satisfied; he will not be visited by harm.

Proverbs 19:23 ESV