



CONGRESBURY
METHODIST CHURCH

Congresbury Methodist Church News

Weeks beginning 25th January 2026

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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

Saturday 24th 10.00—12noon CHURCH OUTREACH/OPEN day in our church

Sunday 25th 11.00am Morning worship led by the Worship Leaders

Church Services & Events for FEBRUARY 2026

Sunday 1st 11.00am Morning worship led by Eric Small

Wednesday 4th 11.00am Bible Discovery meeting in our church led by Andrew. Everyone is Welcome

Sunday 8th 11.00am Morning worship and Holy Communion led by Rev. Andrew Bell

Wednesday 11th 10.30am The regular Prayer and Fellowship meeting at Mary's house (21 Pauls Causeway) Refreshments will be on offer afterwards as usual.

Sunday 15th 11.00am Morning worship led by Rev. Colin Moore

Wednesday 18th 11.00am Bible Discovery meeting in our church led by Andrew. Everyone is Welcome

Sunday 22nd 11.00am Morning worship led by Lois Emm

Saturday 28th 10.00—12noon CHURCH OUTREACH/OPEN day in our church

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.



Our Bible Discovery Meetings held in our church led by Andrew in February are on Wednesday 4th 11.00am and Wednesday 18th 11.00am The Theme at this time is on the Parables

Next EXTRA PRAYER MEETING, Our Minister Andrew and Mary Clark and ourselves are holding the next EXTRA Prayer Meeting solely for the life and mission of our Church at 7 Nomis Park on: **[THE DATE IS THURSDAY 29th January 2026 AT 2.30PM]** If you feel you would like to join us, please come along.

John & Kathleen.

PRAYER Father, we praise You that when we are weak we can rely upon Your strength and when we are poor in spirit You fill us with joy. When we are empty You flood our lives with peace. When we are hurting You hold us in your care: when we are lost or losing our way You find us and welcome us home. when we are in the wrong You love us and when we are defeated by life You give us victory in the power of your spirit: when we are breaking or broken You make us whole. We ask that Your spirit will guide protect and empower us and that all we do and say will bring honour to Your Name for Christs sake Amen

Monthly Open Outreach Day
Doors Open Wide THIS weekend!

Saturday 24th January
from 10am—12noon.

There will be some music by John. There will be an opportunity to meet our minister Andrew for a chat or quiet prayer. Also Teas, coffee, cream scones, The Church doors will be open wide and everyone is most welcome. Please come along and bring your friends and enjoy a chat.

Thought for the week

My thoughts for this week are on the second coming of Jesus, a subject rarely heard in sermons these days yet central to the hope of every believer. As I've reflected on Scripture, I've been reminded how consistently the New Testament urges us to live with our eyes lifted toward Christ's promised return. Jesus Himself spoke plainly about it, saying that the Son of Man will appear "with power and great glory" (Matthew 24:30, NIV). That moment will not be hidden or symbolic-it will be unmistakable.

Paul encouraged the early church to stay awake spiritually, reminding them that "the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night" (1 Thessalonians 5:2, NIV). This isn't meant to alarm us but to shape our priorities, our holiness, and our sense of mission. Peter adds that God's timing is purposeful, for He is "not slow in keeping his promise" but patient, giving people time to turn to Him (2 Peter 3:9, NIV).

Thinking on these truths has stirred both comfort and conviction. The second coming isn't just a doctrine to affirm-it's a hope to live by, a reminder that history is moving toward the day when Christ will set all things right.

Prayer Lord Jesus, Thank You for the promise of Your return, a hope that anchors our hearts in uncertain times. Help us to live watchfully, faithfully, and with a deep longing for Your kingdom. Teach us to walk in holiness, to love others well, and to use each day for Your glory. Strengthen our faith as we wait, and fill us with the peace that comes from knowing You will make all things new. Amen.

RYKIE SKONE

Thought for the Week

Paul says.....



I HAVE LEARNED TO BE SATISFIED WITH THE THINGS I HAVE..... I KNOW HOW TO LIVE WHEN I AM POOR, AND HOW TO LIVE WHEN I HAVE PLenty, I HAVE LEARNED THE SECRET OF BEING HAPPY AT ANY TIME

Philippians 4; 11-12 [NCV]