

Congresbury Methodist Church News

Weeks beginning 22nd February 2026



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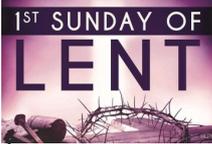


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The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the Gospel of God's love in Christ and to live it's discipleship in worship and mission



Church Services & Events for FEBRUARY 2026

Sunday 22nd 11.00am Morning worship led by Lois Emm

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

Church Services & Events for MARCH 2026

Sunday 1st 11.00am Morning worship led by Tony Stevenson

Wednesday 4th March 11.00am Church Council Meeting in the church. If you are able, please make every effort to come

Thursday 5th 11.00am Bible Discovery meeting in our church led by Andrew. Everyone is welcome

Sunday 8th 11.00am Morning worship led by Eric Small

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 Ken Young

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

Sunday 22nd 11.00am Morning worship and Holy Communion led by Rev. Andrew Bell

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

Sunday 29th 11.00am Morning worship led by Mary Clark

Please note that our next Bible Discovery meeting will be on Thursday 5th March at 11.00am Because our Church Council is on Wednesday 4th

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.



Monthly Open Outreach Day Doors Open Wide next weekend! Saturday 28th February

from 10am—12noon.

The Church doors will be open wide as usual and will be some music by John. There will also be teas, coffee, cream scones on offer. We pray and ask that God's hand will be upon us as we witness and share his love to the people of Congresbury everyone is most welcome. Please come along and bring your friends or a neighbour and enjoy a chat.

We have been encouraged by those who already join us and who feel very much at home.

Rykie, Paul and helpers

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING IN THE CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 4TH MARCH AT 11.00AM

If you are able, please make every effort to come

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 5th March 2026 AT 2.30PM]** If you feel you would like to join us, please come along.
John & Kathleen.

Thought for the week This week is the start of Lent, a dedicated season in the year for Christians – marking the 40 days that Jesus spent praying in the wilderness and being tempted by Satan. A time for us to self-reflect of our sinfulness and to acknowledge the love of God through Jesus Christ who became the Sacrificial Lamb for us. 1Peter 2:24,25 - ‘He himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by His wounds you have been healed. For you were like sheep going astray, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and overseer of your souls’.

During this season, many Christians feel the need to express their repentance of sin through different forms of fasting. Others express self-denial by giving up something of life that they enjoy - inevitably it's food or a pastime. I have heard that with some, this habit given up for Lent had lasted to become an abstinence ever since. Yet others, instead of self-denial during Lent, through positive affirmation have taken up to doing something helpful and beneficial to others. Central to the season of Lent are our spiritual practice of prayer and spending time in Scripture. James 4:7,8 - ‘So then, submit yourselves to God. Resist the Devil.....Come near to God, and He will come near to you’. As we look inward in reflection, we might ask ourselves if we need to make any changes in our heart and in our lives in order to share God's love more effectively. Romans 5:8 - ‘But God has shown us how much he loves us—it was while we were still sinners that Christ died for us intentional, about our spiritual growth and let go of whatever that has grip of us. May we come out of Lent being renewed, as we celebrate Easter and share the joy of Christ risen from the dead. **FAITH OOI**

PRAYER Lord, there are no words that can express the joy with which you fill our hearts and lives. There are no hymns or songs that have the words that will do justice to your glory. There are no words that will truly reflect your majesty, truth and righteousness. There are no words that can truly declare your mercy, peace and love. There are no words except your word in Jesus. He alone is the Word that enables us to see you, to know you and honour you. Lord, we praise you for your closeness to us and for your being with us in Christ. Amen



Churchill Methodist Church
240th Anniversary of
Rev. John Wesley's visit
on 11th March 1786

Come along and sing Wesley's hymns with Paul Beechey at the organ at 4pm on Saturday March 7th. Buffet Tea to follow in Hall. It's free but donations are welcome. On Sunday 8th at 11.00am there is Celebration Worship

Thought for the week When solid ground seems to be cut from beneath you remember God's promise of Eagles' wings. They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings like Eagles. They shall walk and not faint. **Isaiah 40: 31**