

Congresbury Methodist Church News
Week beginning 6th September 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

*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.*



Church Services & Events for September 2026

**Wednesday 2nd 11.00am Bible
Discovery meeting in our church led by
Rev. Andrew**

**Sunday 6th 11.00am Morning worship led by
Rev. Andrew Bell**

**Tuesday 8th 2.00pm Church Council
Meeting in the Church**

**Wednesday 9th 10.30am The regular
Prayer and Fellowship meeting at Mary's
house (21 Pauls Causeway) Refreshments
will be on offer afterwards as usual.**

**Sunday 13th 11.00am Morning worship led
by Ken Young**

**Wednesday 16th 11.00am Bible Discovery
meeting in our church led by Rev. Andrew.**

**Sunday 20th 11.00am HARVEST SERVICE
led by Lois Emm**

**Saturday 26th 10.00—12noon CHURCH
OUTREACH/OPEN day in our church**

**Sunday 27th 11.00am Morning Worship and
led by Jacqueline Cobb**

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

**Our next Church Council meeting
will be held in the church on
Tuesday 8th September at 2.00pm.
Please put this date in your diary
and come if you can as these
meetings as always are very
important**

PRICKLES Coffee Morning etc

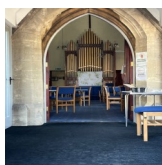
**An amazing sum of £650 was
raised for Prickles (hedgehog care)
Well done and thank you**

MONTHLY OUTREACH MEETINGS - 3 months

September 26th

October 31st

November 28th



Seasons of life

**Springtime follows winter,
And each summer leads to fall.
The pattern of the seasons
Flow an answer to God's call.
Around us in his garden,
The flowers bloom and fade,
To sleep throughout the winter,
In each Meadow wood and glade.
Some only stay a season,
So briefly we can share,
Their colour and their beauty,
Their soft perfume on the air.
God gives us all our seasons,
The sunshine and the rain.
He knows our joy and sadness,
He shares with us our pain.**



**Let him take your
hand in autumn,
Feel the joy that his
words bring,
For when we reach
the peace of Winter
We shall wake up to his spring.**

A Prayer for Resting in God's Love

**God of Goodness, I come into your presence so
aware of my human frailty and yet overwhelmed
by your love for me.**

**I thank you that there is no human experience
that I might walk through where your love
cannot reach me.**

**If I climb the highest mountain you are there and
yet if I find myself in the darkest valley of my
life, you are there.**

**Teach me today to love you more.
Help me to rest in that love that asks nothing
more than the simple trusting heart of a child.**

- Author Unknown

My Thoughts

Congratulations to Kathleen and John Chaplin on their Golden Wedding Anniversary, which they celebrated during the past week. Their union is blessed by God and they'll stay unified until the day when God calls one of them home to Him. How has this union lasted through these 50 years of marriage? - by their inclusiveness and love for each other!

"...And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." Colossians 3:12-14 (NIV)

Likewise, we as christians have an eternal union with Christ by the Holy Spirit. This bond is from grace, a gift of love from God which is without terms or conditions. It's an unshakeable foundation of our relationship with God. To continue with this bond, we need to keep communion with God and maintain interaction with Him. This means an ongoing, intimate, and conversational relationship with Him throughout our daily life. It's nurtured in prayer, bible reading and worshipping with God's people. As we participate in taking Holy Communion, we acknowledge the sacrificial love of Jesus Christ and the grace of God. "For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes."

1Corinthians 11:26 (NIV)

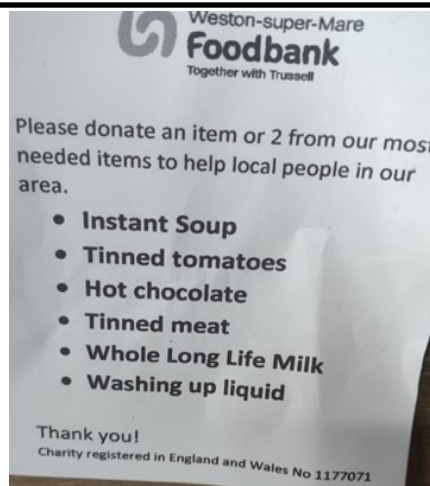
Yet, as with all relationships, we might go through periods of closeness and at other times feel distanced from God. But that's alright because central to all of this remain the presence of God and our eternal bond with Him. Nothing we do can make Him love us more, and nothing we fail to do can make Him love us less. It is because we are united to Christ that we are able to enjoy communion with God. May we prayerfully continue our fellowship with Jesus and grow in our communion with God.

"So let us come near to God with a sincere heart and a sure faith.....Let us hold firmly to the hope we profess, because we can trust God to keep His promise." Hebrews 10:22,23 (GNT)

Faith Ooi (S)

ADVANCE NOTICE

Its this time of year again! We are holding our Harvest Festival Service on Sunday September 20th at 11.00am. As recent years all produce given will be taken to the Weston Food Bank. As you will see from the insert please note the items that are most needed at this time.



Kathleen and John

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Chronicles 16:34