



ZION METHODIST CHURCH

Weekly Notices

Sunday 13th September 2026



THIS SUNDAY

13th September, 10.30am

Mr M Jessop

Charity collection: Centrepont Outreach

NEXT SUNDAY

20th September, 10.30am

Mr J Hewitt

Harvest Festival

ZION HARVEST FESTIVAL: SUNDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 10.30AM

Please note that next week's service will be the Harvest Festival. Please bring along tinned and dried food and other appropriate produce on the day. As is now customary we will share the food brought between Centrepont Outreach and the Food Bank. Many thanks in anticipation.

Zion stewards

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR 3GENERATE

A **huge thank you** to everyone who has supported Alina and our young people throughout their fundraising for 3Generate.

Thanks to your generosity and encouragement, an amazing **£1,082.96 has been raised so far!**

Alina is very grateful to everyone who has donated, bought items, helped at events or simply offered their encouragement and prayers. **Thank you for helping to make this possible.**

CAN YOU HELP? – BOSTON COLLEGE FRESHERS' FAIR

Zion has been invited to have a presence at the Boston College Freshers' Fair on Wednesday 16th September.

Unfortunately, Alina is now unable to attend as she will be starting her own course that day. **Is there anyone who could attend on behalf of Zion?**

Without a volunteer, Alina will sadly have to cancel our place.

Please speak to her as soon as possible if you think you could help.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER

Alina hopes to have a **gazebo and stall at the Medlock area opening day** on Saturday 19th September, giving Zion another opportunity to be present in our local community.

However, **volunteers are urgently needed to help organise and run the stall.** Without enough help, Alina may unfortunately have to cancel.

If you can spare some time to help, please speak to Alina. **Even a little help would be greatly appreciated.**

THE BUTTERFLY CIRCUS: MONDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 2PM

Everyone is warmly invited to join us at Zion for a special screening of the short film **The Butterfly Circus**.

Come along and enjoy the film together, followed by an opportunity for discussion, refreshments and something sweet!

Two volunteers are needed to help Alina organise the afternoon. If you are able to help, please speak to Alina.

Everyone is welcome!



BOSTON PCN NETWORKING EVENT: THURSDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER

Alina will be representing Zion at the Boston PCN Networking Event at the Princess Royal Sports Arena on Thursday 17th September.

She would be delighted to have **one or two people join her** so that Zion can have a good presence at the event. Please speak to Alina if you would like to come along or help.

YOUTH CLUB: FRIDAY 18TH SEPTEMBER

Zion Youth Club is back!

For their first session of the new year, the young people will be visiting the **Food Bank**, an activity which was arranged some time ago.

Please remember Alina, the volunteers and all our young people in your prayers as the Youth Club begins another year together.

MISSION & OUTREACH



Autumn Days: Zion will be having a table in Boston Stump at this community event on Thursday 24th September 10am–2pm. Information for other circuit churches will be displayed too. Please do come along and visit us. Anyone wishing to help, please speak to Lesley.

We will not be taking part in Heritage Weekend this year.

Mission & Outreach Meeting: At our next meeting we will be looking at the different groups which meet at Zion. Group leaders are invited to prepare a short update about what their group has been doing this year and any plans for the future, or simply come along and share the information with us. Alina will also update us on her outreach work.

We will also review our new information leaflets, which will be in the church foyer, and look at this year's special services, considering how Mission & Outreach can help to enhance these occasions.

Remember 'Holiday at Home'? We are planning a similar one-day event – look out for more details soon.

The date of the next meeting will be announced shortly.

ROADHOG TEAM MEMBERS TRAINING: SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER

roadHoG will be holding a Team Members Training Session on **Saturday 10th October, 2–6pm, at Boston Baptist Church**, 98 High Street, Boston, PE21 8TA.

The session is open to anyone interested in joining roadHoG in a **bus-serving capacity**, as well as existing Team Members whose badge expires in 2026 or earlier and who need refresher training.

Training will cover **Safeguarding and Bus Protocol**. New members who already have a **DBS certificate** are asked to bring it with them; if you do not have one, this can be arranged.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided.

Please consider whether you, or someone you know, might be interested in joining the roadHoG team and supporting this valuable ministry.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Butterfly Circus film at Zion	Monday 14 th September, 2pm	A special screening of this short film, followed by an opportunity for discussion, refreshments and something sweet! Everyone is welcome!
Zion Harvest Festival	Sunday 20 th September, 10.30am	Come and join us as we celebrate Harvest Festival. Please bring along tinned and dried food and other appropriate produce on the day, to be shared between Centrepont Outreach and the Food Bank.
roadHoG Bus at Skegness Baptist Church	Sunday 20 th September, 10.45am	Come and see the roadHoG Bus in action after the Summer break.
Autumn Days Event at The Stump	Thursday 24 th September, 10am–2pm	Community coffee morning with stalls hosted by various local groups and voluntary organisations to showcase community work and connect residents.
‘2026 miles in prayer’ at Navenby Methodist Church, Lincoln	Thursday 1 st October, 11am–3pm	Methodist Women in Britain Lincolnshire District invite you to join them for ‘2026 miles in prayer’. Deacon Helen Gardner will share how an intentional prayer life can sustain us in difficult times, develop creativity, and bring joy. Tea and coffee served from 10.30am. Bring a packed lunch, drinks provided. More details: ritarowe18@gmail.com
roadHoG Team Members Training Session at Boston Baptist Church	Saturday 10 th October, 2pm–6pm	For new and existing Team Members, covering Safeguarding and Bus Protocol. See details above.
Zion Church Anniversary	Sunday 18 th October, 10.30am	Come and join us as we celebrate Zion Church Anniversary, with worship led by Rev Pete Taylor and including Holy Communion.

ROADHOG PROJECT SUPPORT WORKER VACANCY

Following the retirement of Tony Coe, roadHoG is looking for a **Project Support Worker (or workers)** to help with the important behind-the-scenes work that keeps the project running.

The role is varied and could include preparing **craft activities, Christian videos and quizzes** for the Bus; helping with **funding applications and finances**; maintaining **DBS records** and liaising with the Safeguarding Team; and supporting the **roadHoG website and other administration**.

The responsibilities could potentially be **shared between more than one person**, and the role may be undertaken **voluntarily or with an agreed stipend**.

This is only a broad outline, and anyone who might be interested is warmly invited to have an informal conversation to find out more.

For further information, please contact Kev.

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RESPONDING TO ANTI-MIGRANT PROTESTS

The Methodist Church has published guidance in response to the rise in anti-migrant protests and expressions of “Christian nationalism”.

It offers resources and suggested responses based on the experiences of Methodist churches, together with details of upcoming events on this subject.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/our-stories/responding-to-anti-migrant-protests/>

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES AT ZION

MONDAYS	10am–12noon	Knit & Knatter
	2pm–3pm	Dance for Fun
	7.15pm	Badminton (Sept-Apr)
TUESDAYS	6pm–7.15pm	Beavers & Cubs
	7pm–9pm	Scouts
	7pm–8.30pm	‘The Way’ Fellowship Group (1 st & 3 rd Tue)
WEDNESDAYS	9.45am	Boston Community Health Walk
	5pm–6pm	Rainbows
	6pm–7.15pm	Brownies
	7pm	Short Mat Bowls (Sept-May)
	7.15pm–8.45pm	Guides
THURSDAYS	9.30m–11.30am	Coffee Morning
	12.30pm	Community Lunch (3 rd Thu; booking required)
	6.30pm–7.30pm	Pilates
	6.45pm–8.15pm	AA
FRIDAYS	10am	Trinity Badminton Group (Sept-Dec)
	2pm–4pm	CAMEO – table-top games & puzzles (July & Sept-Dec)
	6pm–7.30pm	Zion Youth Group
SATURDAYS	11.45am–1.15pm	AA