



Zion Methodist Church Notices Sunday 14 July 2024



Sunday 14 July: 10.30am

- ✝ Worship led by Mr M Jessop
- ✝ Charity Collection: Centrepont
- 📖 Amos 7:7-15; Psalm 85:8-13;
Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29

Sunday 21 July: 10.30am

- ✝ Worship led by Rev Maurice Perry
- ✝ Holy Communion
- 📖 Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 23;
Ephesians 2:11-22; Mark 6:30-34,
53-56

Summer Season of Music at Centenary: Wednesday 17 July, 7.30pm

The season continues on Wednesday, from 7.30pm to 8.30pm with 'The Glory of Gershwin' – Haruko Seki and Emma Scott. Admission is free but donations welcome. Every Wednesday evening until 21 August.

Healthcare Chaplaincy Service: Saturday 20 July, 2.30pm

The District is holding a service on 20 July to commission the new Healthcare Chaplains and also to pray for the existing chaplains. Within our Circuit, Jean B has recently trained as a Healthcare Chaplain and Rev Julie Doddrell has been visiting practices for several years.

If you would like to attend to support Jean and Julie, the service will take place at Ruskington Methodist Church on Saturday 20 July at 2.30pm, led by Rev Angy Long. The service will be followed by afternoon tea. In order to help with catering arrangements please let one of the stewards know if you will be attending, so they can advise the Circuit/District Office of numbers by Monday 15 July.

Please hold Jean and Julie in your prayers as they undertake this ministry.

Zion 90th Anniversary Celebrations

Photographs! Photographs! Photographs!

If you have any photographs of Worship, Activities or Events taken during the past 90 years relating to Zion and would like them considered for the 90th Anniversary Exhibition, bring them to church in the next two weeks. They don't need to be left at church. We can SCAN them and hand the originals back to you immediately. Give them to Lesley or Sheila and they can be scanned while you wait. Deadline is Sunday 21 July. Thank you.

New Methodist President and Vice President 2024/2025

The Methodist Conference, meeting in Leeds, elected the Revd Helen Cameron to serve as President and Carolyn Godfrey to serve as Vice-President, starting their year of office on Saturday 29 June 2024.

Learn more about the new President and Vice-President here:

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/structure-and-governance/the-methodist-conference/conference-2024/presidency/president-and-vice-president-2024-25/>

President and Vice-President Designate

Starting their year in office at the Representative Session of the Methodist Conference in Telford in June 2025, the Methodist Conference elected the Revd Richard Andrew as President Designate and Matthew Forsyth as Vice-President Designate.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/structure-and-governance/the-methodist-conference/conference-2024/presidency/president-and-vice-president-designate/>

God for All Conference Report

The report received by the Conference detailed the work undertaken since the God For All strategy was agreed in 2020 and how this has been shaping the mission and ministry of the Methodist Church while supporting its people in evangelism, discipleship, missional growth and leadership. The Conference voted to re-affirm the strategy, renewing its objectives until 2032.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/news/god-for-all-at-the-methodist-conference/>

50th anniversary of women's ordination

This year marks the 50th anniversary of women being ordained as Presbyters in The Methodist Church. We are celebrating some of their stories.

<https://www.methodistheritage.org.uk/methodist-history/women-ordained-presbyters/>

You can also watch videos of women sharing their testimonies as part of the 50th anniversary celebration: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLoWWaJT3-P4YzBlii9nroH3vMkEC6UvF>

Joint statement following the General Election

The Methodist Church have been joined by the Baptist Union of Great Britain and the United Reform Church in releasing this statement following the General Election.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/news/statement-following-election/>

“We urge the new government to put the needs of those who are most vulnerable and marginalised at the forefront as it wrestles to respond to these problems. We also encourage it to work in partnership with local communities to tackle them, in recognition that we all have a part to play in these endeavours, and welcome the commitment made by the new Prime Minister to build strong partnerships with faith groups.”

Statement on the closure on Al Ahli hospital in Gaza

The Revd Helen Cameron, President of the Methodist Conference, and Carolyn Godfrey, Vice-President of the Methodist Conference, have released this statement following the news of the closure of the Al Ahli hospital in Gaza.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/news/statement-on-the-closure-of-al-ahli-hospital-in-gaza/>

Response to Hurricane Beryl

During the month of June, Hurricane Beryl caused billions of dollars' worth of damage across the Caribbean which resulted in 28 reported fatalities. During the Methodist Conference, a letter of solidarity was sent to its partners, the Methodist Church in the Caribbean and the Americas.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/news/responding-to-hurricane-beryl/>

Is God prompting you?

Do you think God might be prompting you to help with leading worship and sharing the Good News of the gospel around our Churches and beyond? Could you let your light shine in this area? If so – don't be shy. Pick up the phone and have a chat – 07884 413595. Looking forward to hearing from you!

Zion Holiday at Home (France): September 2024

Come and enjoy a time of fun at Zion. From Tuesday 10 September to Thursday 12 September, starting at 10am and finishing at approximately 3pm each day. Find out more about this and other forthcoming events on Zion's website:

<http://www.zionmethodistchurch-boston.co.uk/WorshipEvents/Forthcoming-Events/>

Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF)

Most of the countries where MAF operates face insecurity in one way or another. Whether its devastating floods in Kenya, a fuel crisis in Papua New Guinea or dangerous roads in Guinea – West Africa, MAF has seen it all. In the latest episode (7) of The Flying for Life Podcast, find out how the MAF team stay safe in the face of insecurity: <https://www.maf-uk.org/podcast/>

Weekly activities at Zion

Mondays	10am-12pm	Knit & Knatter
	10.30am-12.30pm	Westside House Group (2 nd & 4 th Mon)
	2pm-3pm	Zumba dance class
	7.15pm	Badminton (Sep-Apr)
Tuesdays	6pm-7.15pm	Beavers and Cubs
	7pm-9pm	Scouts
	7.30pm	'The Way' Fellowship Group (1 st and 3 rd Tue)

Wednesdays	9.45am	Boston Community Health Walk
	5pm-6pm	Rainbows
	6pm-7.15pm	Brownies
	7pm	Short Mat Bowls (Sep-May)
	7.15pm-8.45pm	Guides
Thursdays	9.30am-11.30am	Coffee Morning
	12.30pm	Community Lunch (3 rd Thu; booking required)
Fridays	10am	Trinity Badminton Group
	2pm-4pm	Come & Meet Each Other (CAMEO) – table top games, puzzles