

Zion Methodist Church Notices Sunday 8 September 2024



Sunday 8 September: 10.30am

- ☆ Circuit Service at Centenary
- ⊕ Holy Communion
- Isaiah 35: 4-7a; Psalm 146; James 2:1-10 (11-13), 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

Sunday 15 September: 10.30am

- ⊕ Baptism
- ☐ Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Psalm 116:1-9; James 3: 1-12; Mark 8: 27-38

A celebration of the Methodist New Year: Sunday 8 September Happy New Methodist Year 2024-2025!

Boston's Super Six Methodist Churches are worshipping together on Sunday at Centenary. Please come and enjoy worship together at the start of the Methodist year. Join the teams from Swineshead, Kirton, Gipsey Bridge, Hospital Bridge (Norfolk St) and Zion (Brothertoft Rd) for inspiration and encouragement.

Holy God, we thank you that as we begin our journey through this next Connexional year we know you are present with us and will bless us generously and graciously. We seek to learn to do what is right, to seek justice and challenge oppression. May we listen carefully before we speak, be courageous in our loving, and faithful in living holy lives worthy of our calling. God of our past, our present and our future hope, may we be your good news. Amen.

Centenary Organ Recital: Monday 9 September, 1.05pm

Organ Recital with David Whittle (Oakham). Refreshments available from 12.15pm. Full program at: www.organrecitals.uk

Zion Holiday at Home (France): from Tuesday 10 September

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. http://www.zionmethodistchurch-boston.co.uk/WorshipEvents/Forthcoming-Events/ More information and full timetable over the page.

Zion Harvest Festival: Sunday 22 September, 10.30am



'Holiday At Home' at Zion: Tuesday 10, Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 September, 10am to approx 3pm

As the children go back to school and the summer holidays draw to a close, why not come along to the 6^{th} 'Holiday @ Home' venture at Zion.

We are using 'France' as our theme. The activities available are on the timetable on the next page.

There will be a room to sit, chat and relax. There will be time to take photos to share with your family and friends.

Hopefully there will be something for everyone, meeting old friends and making new ones; having a chat and bringing along holiday photos to show to your friends.

And you can go home and sleep in your own bed at night!

One of our aims for the venture is to create something for the community, allowing people living on their own and those that are unable to have a holiday to be able to come along, join in with activities and feel they have had a break from their normal routine.

To help this happen we are asking if anyone is coming on their own in a car, to bring at least one more person with them that will benefit from the venture.

(Approximate timings)	Tuesday 10 September	Wednesday 11 September	Thursday 12 September (Coffee open @ 9.30am today)	
10am	Welcome drink and snacks - croissants/macaroons			
MORNING (10.30am - 11.45am)	Talk/film living in France	Tour de France	Coffee morning Quizzes & puzzles	
LUNCH (12 - 1pm)	Vegetarian, gluten & dairy free catered for! French onion soup French stick Pate/Cheese Gateaux	Vegetarian, gluten & dairy free catered for! Quiche & salad Gateaux	Due to a change of management at our local Fish & Chip shop, they may not be available this year. Alternatives are being investigated and will confirm meal at a later date.	
AFTERNOON (1pm - 3pm)	French conversation & games e.g. lotto Have fun, have a laugh and enjoy!	A trip to the Paris Olympics	Mrs Harris Goes To Paris Ice cream in the interval	
3pm	Thought for the day			

Swineshead Harvest Teapot: Thursday 26 September, 3pm

At Swineshead Methodist Church, Names to Dianne 01205 820415

3Generate- Preps and Prayers Please!

Our Circuit will be taking a group to 3Generate, the national Methodist Youth gathering at the NEC, Birmingham 4-6 Oct 2024. They have been involved in Messy Church at Gipsey Bridge and are now representing us at a national event. How great is that?

They'll be accompanied by Geoff C and Rev Val and joining up with other Lincolnshire District young people from South Holland and Lincoln Circuits. Our Circuit has paid for event tickets (£480.00) and the District will pay for travel and hoodies.

Please pray regularly for our 3Gen team as they prepare. You can find out lots more about 3Generate: https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/ministries/children-youth-family-ministry/3generate/

RoadHoG Update: September 2024

Latest news at https://roadhogbus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/157-5 September-2024.pdf

- Please pray for the planned visit to Fulney Skate Park in Spalding on Friday 13 September to support Spalding Police in their efforts to forge ever closer links with the young people in that area.
- Please also play for plans to reintroduce the Wyberton Stop. There are full details of how this is being progressed in the latest newsletter. Training sessions are currently being planned, the first on the New Bus. If you feel that you would like to be part of this new Team, or any Team, please do get in touch with kevin.smithbone@btinternet.com
- Please also cover the new term of Stops in prayer. The timetable is available online at https://roadhogbus.org.uk/what-is-roadhog/bus-timetable/

Mission and Outreach Work at Zion

At the last meeting of the Church Council, it was decided that for a trial period of one year, the work of the Zion Mission and Outreach Committee would be transferred to an informal group.

The group would be made up by those church members who previously served on the M and O committee, together with any other interested members of the congregation. Ideas and proposals from the group would then be considered by the Church Council.

Anyone willing to convene such a group, should please contact one of the church stewards, Stuart B or Stephen C.

'Talking Jesus' Course

Do we need, as individual Christians, to be more confident and effective in talking about Jesus to our neighbours, colleagues, friends and relatives? Well, the 'Talking Jesus' course is coming soon to worshippers in the Boston Methodist Circuit!

The purpose of the course is to achieve just that – to better equip Christians to talk about their faith to the people they know. The course comprises 6 sessions, each with two short videos and two discussion components. Each session will be approximately 1 hour 15 minutes to 1 hour 30 minutes long, depending on the amount of discussion generated.

The course will be offered at Zion on Monday evenings, starting on 28 October, and concluding on 2 December. Please talk to Stuart B to express an interest, or ask for further information.

Numbers will be limited, so places will be allocated on a 'first come – first served' basis. If demand is sufficient, a further course will be arranged.

Zion's 90th Birthday Anniversary Celebrations: October 2024

An Exhibition: Zion Past, Present & Future

Exhibition to celebrate 90 years of Zion's life:

↑ Thursday 17 October: 9.30am-2pm

☆ Friday 18 October: 10am-4pm

→ Saturday 19 October: 10am-2pm & 4pm-6pm

⊕ Sunday 20 October: 12 noon-4pm

The display will include the history of Zion from West Street to early 2000s in Brothertoft Road. Church life, groups that have and still are, associated with church, and much more. Come along and see the display and see if you can spot some familiar faces on the photos!

Zion Celebration Tea: Saturday 19 October, 2pm to 4.30pm

Join us for a celebration tea and entertainment by The Coastal Community Choir. Tickets are £12.50 and £6 for under 7s. Limited tickets available.

Zion Worship & Praise: Sunday 20 October, 10.30am

Join us to celebrate God in action at Zion 1934 – 2024. Service led by Rev Angy Long, District Chair, followed by Celebration Cake and Coffee.

Weekly activities at Zion				
Mondays	10am-12pm	Knit & Knatter		
	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 (1st and 3rd 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		