

Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 5th January 2025

Good morning and welcome to our Covenant Service with Holy Communion which is being led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber. The stewards today are Joyce Wild, Philippa Daffern, Brian Dryden and Jean Peck. After the service, please join us in the hall for a simple lunch.

Dates for your diary:

Sunday 12 th January	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Brian Skelley
Sunday 19 th January	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Colin Besant
Sunday 26 th January	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mrs Joyce Wild
Sunday 2 nd February	10.45 am	Morning Worship led Mr Rob White
Sunday 9 th February	10.45 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Reverend Peter McNeill
Sunday 16 th February	10.45 am	Morning Worship led Mrs Joyce Wild
Sunday 23 rd February	10.45 am	Morning Worship led Mr Barrie Knight

Colehill Methodist: Every Monday, 11.00 am to 12.00 noon(ish), Bible Study, coffee, prayers and plenty of chat. All welcome.

Bible in a year: 5th – 11th January: Genesis 13 – 28 and Matthew 5 - 8

Meet Reverend Dr Mark Kimber: Most Fridays Mark will be available in the Okeford Room from 10.00 am to 11.00 am for anyone who wishes to have a chat with him. However, on the third Friday of each month there will be a session entitled '**Meeting with Mark**' to which you are cordially invited.

From everyone on the CLT, a very blessed 2025.

Joyce Wild

A Methodist Way Of Life for January: The theme "To Serve" was chosen as we celebrate our Covenant Service on the 5th January where we make our own resolutions of devotion and discipleship and pastoral care for one another and those we meet. May I encourage you to read the bible passages from Matthew, Luke and James. Each passage sets out our Christian obligations. This month's article is attached to this week's Link. It also includes a few questions for discussion and a couple of ideas of what we can do ourselves as we go deeper into this Methodist (Christian) Way of Life. The full set of themes can be found on the Circuit's website at <https://www.candwmc.org.uk/churches/blandford/a-methodist-way-of-life.html> .

John Cornish

Woodlands Methodist: Worship for You with Holtwood Mission Band, 12th January, 6.00 pm.

Woodlands Methodist: Beetle Drive, 24th January, 7.30 pm. Further details on poster in hall.

Blandford Foodbank is urgently in need of (updated 12.12.24) – Coffee and rice, but will also welcome any other donations of food or household goods.

For those able to support the Foodbank with items, a box has been placed in the Narthex as a collection point.

John Cornish

Prayer: Please can we remember to uphold in prayer those members of our congregation we know are ill or suffering in some way. If you know of anyone who would like prayer and be mentioned by name in The Link, please let me know (having obtained their permission first to mention them by name).

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