

Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 15th June

Good morning and welcome to our Morning Worship which is being led by Mr Colin Besant. The stewards today are Tina Wise and Alan and Margaret Dymond. Thank you to Angela for playing for us and thank you to Elizabeth for the flowers. After the service, please join us in the hall for refreshments.

Dates for your diary:

Sunday 22 nd June	10.45 am	Local Arrangement service led by members of the congregation
Sunday 29 th June	10.45 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber followed by General Church Meeting in the hall
Sunday 6 th July	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Reverend Andrew Pottage
Sunday 13 th July	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Barrie Knight
Sunday 20 th July	10.45 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Reverend Keith Beckingham
Sunday 27 th July	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Mark Priestley

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: 15th – 21st June: Nehemiah 1 – Esther 5 and Acts 2 – 5

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.

Lunch Club Summertime Get Togethers: Looking for a chance to stay connected over the summer whilst Lunch Club is on a summer break? Reverend Mark – along with a few friendly helpers – will be hosting relaxed lunchtime gatherings filled with good conversation, fun, and maybe even a quiz or activity! **Bring your own picnic lunch** We'll provide drinks, biscuits, and (if you're lucky) some cake!

Fridays 12:00 noon – 1:30 pm

- 20 June
- 18 July
- 15 August

Come along for a friendly catch-up and a bit of summer cheer. Everyone welcome!

Reverend Mark Kimber

Could all **Mission in Britain** boxes be with Joyce no later than Sunday 29th June.

BMC Church Council Membership – Expression of Interest: If you are a member of Blandford Methodist Church and feel called and able to serve on the Church Council from September 2025, please speak to John Cornish or Reverend Mark to confirm your interest by 22nd June 2025. Your willingness to serve is greatly valued as we discern the future direction of our church together, and make things happen.

Becoming a Member of BMC: If you are interested in becoming a member of Blandford Methodist Church, please speak with Reverend Mark. He would be delighted to talk with you about what church membership means and how to take this next step in your journey of faith.

Light and life, Mark

Sunday 29th June 2025, BMC General Church Meeting following the morning service: All members and friends are warmly invited!

We will gather in worship, taking time to reflect on the past year and prayerfully consider where God may be leading us in the year ahead.

Please come prepared to share or reflect on:

- A significant moment in your faith journey this past year
- Highlights from our church life and community
- Where God might be calling us to serve together in the year ahead

After worship: Please bring a picnic lunch to enjoy together. We will:

- Hear a brief financial summary
- Confirm our stewards and Church Council members (from September)
- Share in an open conversation about the future ministry and witness of our Church

Let us come together with thankful hearts and hopeful vision.

Charities for 2025/2026: At our General Church Meeting on the 29th June, we will need to consider new charities to support from September 2025 through to August 2026. Please can you give this some prayerful thought and if possible let me have some ideas before the meeting so that I can pass these ideas on to Mark. However, ideas at the meeting will also be very welcome. (For info: our current two charities are Zane *[helping forgotten people in Zimbabwe and seeking to relieve invisible and visible suffering]*, and the Louis Ross Foundation *[helping young people facing difficulties]*).

Margaret Cornish

Wimborne Methodist: Organ Recital on Saturday 21st June, 7.00 pm, with Colin J Davey and David A Warwick. Full details on the poster in the hall.

Woodlands Methodist: “Worship for You”, 13th July, led by Mr Martyn Cubitt. Details on the poster in the hall.

Blandford Foodbank is urgently in need of (updated 11.4.25) – Coffee, Squash, Cereal, Tinned Sweetcorn, Toothpaste. Any other donations of food or household goods are also welcomed. 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.

Can we particularly remember those of our congregation who are helping family members through illness, and those who will soon be having operations.

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).

Minister: Reverend Dr Mark Kimber

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