

Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 1st February

Good morning and welcome to our Morning Worship with Holy Communion which is being led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber. The stewards today are Joyce Wild, Rona Downes and Jean Peck. Thank you to Angela for playing for us and for the flowers. After the service, please join us in the hall for refreshments.

Dates for your diary:

Sunday 8 th February	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Colin Besant
Sunday 15 th February	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by a representative from Safe Families (one of our charities)
Sunday 22 nd February	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Brian Skelley

Today's readings: Psalm 15 (page 549)

Micah 6: 1-8 (page 934)

Matthew 5: 1-12 (page 968)

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

Please note: there will not be a Bible Study and Fellowship on Monday 9th February.

Circuit prayers: First Saturday of every month at 8.30 am at Holtwood Methodist Church.

Bible in a year: 1st – 7th February: Exodus 27 – Leviticus 3 and Matthew 21 – 24:28

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.

Woodlands Methodist: Worship for You, 8th February, 6.00 pm, led by Revd David Paskins.

Woodlands Methodist: Quiz night, Friday 27th February, 7.30 pm. Further details on poster in hall.

From Nourish (Blandford Foodbank): Hello, I hope this finds you well and that the start of 2026 has been kind to you. I wanted to share an update from Nourish. As faithful church supporters, we are so grateful for everything you do, whether through volunteering, donating food, or giving financially. We've had an incredible year, and we truly couldn't have done it without you.

I've attached our latest newsletter (attached to the back of the Link), which includes helpful ways to pray for and support us in the year ahead. One important update is that I will be leaving my role as manager at the end of this month due to moving away and on to our next adventure. We are now advertising for a new manager to lead Nourish into its next season, and details are available on our website. It has been an exciting journey for me, and I've loved being part of such a wonderful community and team. Please do pass the opportunity on to anyone who might be interested.

We're keen to continue supporting you and to explore better ways of partnering with you in your own context. Although we haven't been able to meet together as churches over the past year, I hope this is something we can resume in the future. Please do keep in touch with us. Thank you once again for all your support, Blessings, *Sophie Burditt*

Blandford Foodbank is urgently in need of (updated 29.1.26) – Cereal, Biscuits, Jam, Marmalade, Tinned meat, UHT milk, Deodorant (male and female). 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.

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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