

Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 12th October

Good morning and welcome to our morning worship which is being led by Reverend Peter McNeill. The stewards today are Joyce Wild and Elizabeth Boyd. Thank you to Jean for the flowers. After the service, please join us in the hall for refreshments.

Dates for your diary:

Sunday 19 th October	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Barrie Knight
Sunday 26 th October	10.45 am	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber
Sunday 2 nd November	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mrs Diana Middleditch
Friday 7 th November	2.30 pm	Church Council meeting, Okeford Room
Sunday 9 th November	10.45 am	Remembrance Sunday: Morning Worship led by Mrs Joyce Wild
Sunday 16 th November	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Mark Priestley
Sunday 23 rd November	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Brian Skelley
Sunday 30 th November	10.45 am	First Advent: Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber

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

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

Bible in a year: 12th – 18th October: Isaiah 39 - 55 and Colossians 4 – 2 Thessalonians 1

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.

Church Council – Revised date: Our Church Council meeting will now be held on **Friday 7th November** at 2.30 pm in the Okeford Room. All are invited to attend, although only Church Council members will be entitled to vote. **If anyone has any items of Any Other Business they would like brought to the attention of the Church Council, please could these be with either Mark or Mags before Sunday 2nd November.**

Margaret Cornish

Themed Preaching in October: What is Bible Month? Bible Month is an annual campaign that celebrates Scripture by inviting the whole Methodist Connexion to feast on one book of the Bible together.

Over the next four weeks our Preachers will bring us insights into John's Gospel. The Gospel of John invites us to journey through the superabundant life that Jesus offers. John's Gospel opens by presenting Jesus as the Word of God – the source of life and light for all people (John 1:1-18). In Jesus, we encounter God's boundless, gracious love, which brings us into a relationship with him as his children. Through Jesus, the fullness of grace and truth is offered to everyone willing to receive it. Source: www.methodist.org.uk search for "Bible Month".

John Cornish

Church Social – Curry Lunch: You are invited to come and join with us on Saturday 1st November for our final 2025 Church Social afternoon for a warming curry lunch. Lunch will be followed by some fun games and quizzes. We will be offering two types of curry: a milder chicken curry and a warmer beef curry. Please indicate on the form in the Narthex which curry you would prefer as this will help us with our catering. Also, please indicate any dietary requirements and specific allergies. There will be a charge of £3 towards the cost of the lunch. **As places are limited, please book your place no later than Friday 25th October.**

Woodlands Methodist: Worship for You, Sunday 12th October, 6.00 pm, with Mrs Libby Mason Smith. "Walking with God". Details of Libby's career can be found on the poster in the hall.

Blandford Foodbank is urgently in need of (updated 25.9.25) – Cereal, Coffee, Tinned fish, Tinned fruit, Tinned meat, Tinned rice pudding, Baked beans, Tinned carrots, Tinned potatoes, Shampoo. 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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