



Blandford Methodist Church: Sunday 9th November

Good morning and welcome to our Remembrance Day service which is being led by Mrs Joyce Wild. The stewards today are Christine Lydford and Jean Peck. Thank you to Angela for playing for us and thank you to Jean for the flowers. After the service, please join us in the hall for refreshments.

Dates for your diary:

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
Sunday 7 th December	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mr Barrie Knight
Sunday 14 th December	3.00 pm	Carols at Christmas followed by refreshments (note: there will be no morning service)
Sunday 21 st December	10.45 am	Carol Service led by Reverend Dr Mark Kimber
Thursday 25 th December	10.00 am	Christmas Morning Worship led by Mrs Joyce Wild
Sunday 28 th December	10.45 am	Morning Worship led by Mrs Joyce Wild

Today's reading: Luke 20:27-38 from the New International Version

The Resurrection and Marriage

²⁷Some of the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus with a question. ²⁸"Teacher," they said, "Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies and leaves a wife but no children, the man must marry the widow and raise up offspring for his brother. ²⁹Now there were seven brothers. The first one married a woman and died childless. ³⁰The second ³¹and then the third married her, and in the same way the seven died, leaving no children. ³²Finally, the woman died too. ³³Now then, at the resurrection whose wife will she be, since the seven were married to her?"

³⁴Jesus replied, "The people of this age marry and are given in marriage. ³⁵But those who are considered worthy of taking part in the age to come and in the resurrection from the dead will neither marry nor be given in marriage, ³⁶and they can no longer die; for they are like the angels. They are God's children, since they are children of the resurrection. ³⁷But in the account of the burning bush, even Moses showed that the dead rise, for he calls the Lord 'the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.'^[a] ³⁸He is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."

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: 9th – 15th November: Jeremiah 46 – Ezekiel 2 and Hebrews 6 – 11:19

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 Social events: Last Saturday, 1st November, we had another very successful church social event. This was a curry lunch which was supported not only by church members, but also by members of the Kurling Club and Lunch Club. Lunch was followed by some interesting quizzes set by Maestro Quiz Master, Alan Dymond. One quiz was to "blind" smell a number of herbs and spices and another quiz was to complete words starting with "Ind . . ." as obviously there was an Indian feel to the lunch. Another was one where you had to remember Indian items on a tray and also a quiz featuring words we use in English of Indian origin. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves and this lunch was the culmination of three very successful fun-filled church social events.

Although this is our last event this side of Christmas, it is proposed to hold a 60s event, probably in March or April 2026.

If you would like further social events at church and have ideas for fun afternoons, please let Alan or Margaret Dymond know and we will try to get something organized.

We would like to thank everyone who has supported these fun afternoons because without your support they wouldn't be able to take place! So, let's have your ideas for 2026.

Alan and Margaret Dymond, John and Margaret Cornish

Woodlands Methodist: Worship For You, Remembrance Service. Sunday 9th November, 6.00 pm, led by Reverend Peter McNeill. All welcome.

Woodlands Methodist: Skittles evening, Friday 14th November, 7.30 pm, Woodlands Village Hall. Further details on poster in hall.

Colehill Methodist: Christmas coffee morning will take place on Saturday 6th December, 10.00 am – 12.00 noon. Various stalls to include cakes, gifts and 'Christmas Have a Go'. Everyone very welcome.

Blandford Foodbank is urgently in need of (updated 6.11.25) – Cereal, Coffee, Baked beans, Tinned fish, Tinned fruit, Tinned carrots, Tinned meat, Tinned potatoes, Tinned rice pudding, 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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