

NEWPORT METHODIST CHURCH

12th May NEWSLETTER

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Sunday 12th May 2024 services:

10-30 a.m. Mrs S Gayner

6-30 p.m. Rev J Izzard

Sunday 19th May 2024 service:

Pentecost

10-30 a.m. Rev J Izzard (Sacrament)

Hymns and Reading for Sunday Morning Service:

SofF 21 And can it be that I should gain, 443 Open our eyes Lord we want to see Jesus,
2976 My hope is built on nothing less, 520 Tell out my soul, 79 Dear Lord and father of mankind,
425 How great thou art.

Psalm 121.

Let's Pray Together!

Prayers for this week. Pray without ceasing.

Please pray for all the Circuit Staff as they happily take on extra work to enable Rev Frances to take a 3 month sabbatical, starting from the 1st May. Rev Frances will be unavailable to help with church matters from now on.

Pray for so many people we hear of in the news who are the victims of violence.

Pray for all war-torn areas of the world that peace talks may succeed.

Pray for all who are mourning the loss of loved ones.

Pray for all who are coping with many difficult health and other challenges at the present time, including those concerned about loved ones who are ill.

Prayer Network. Please contact Andy and Pat Carpenter with any prayer need. Prayer requests can be included in the Newsletter.

Spring Walk to Pan Mill Meadows on Saturday 11th May to enjoy flowers and bird song. Meet at the car park off Shide Road by the river at 10-30 a.m. Suitable footwear for the level gravel track. Everyone welcome and all take part at their own risk.

Walk the Wight: Sunday 12 May

Marian and Lesley are walking the Wight on Sunday and both are attempting the Full Walk from Bembridge to Alum Bay (26.5 miles)!! Do keep them in your prayers! This is of course a fundraising event for Mountbatten. If you would like to sponsor them or give a donation, the best way is to either: go to the website

mountbatten.org.uk/donate/walk-the-wight-2024 please use walker number **2782** as the reference OR

give a donation **via bank transfer**

Name: Mountbatten. Account number: 14177811. Sort Code: 54-10-34. Please use walker number **2782** as the reference. OR, Marian and Lesley will be happy to accept cash donations to send on. Thank you!

Christian Aid Week. 12th - 19th May. Please take a moment to look at the information displayed in the foyer.

Christian Aid really do make a difference to the lives of people who are far less fortunate than we are. If you would like to make a donation, please use the envelopes provided. You can pop it in the collection bag or bring it back next week. Thank you, someone, somewhere, will be extremely grateful for your contribution. Bill.

The Living Room will be open on Monday 13th, Tuesday 14th Thursday 16th, Friday 17th, Saturday 18th May 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Tuesday 14th May 9-30 to 11-30 a.m. Quaytots.

Wednesday 15th May at 1 p.m. Ladies Fellowship Fish and Chips Lunch followed by chatting about our working lives.

Wednesday 15th May at 7 p.m. Choir Practice.

Thursday 16th May 10-30 a.m. to 12 noon Coffee and Chat.

“Praying the Wight”, Pentecost Sunday 19th May, between 4 – 5 pm. The Wight Church Network are inviting Christians across the Island to join in a time of concerted prayer for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit in all aspects of Island life. Some will be gathering at vantage points round the Island, while others will pray at home. Let’s Pray Together.

Tuesday 21st May at 7-30 p.m. Concert featuring Wight Diamonds Marching Band with Cinnamon Acapella and the IoW Highland Pipes and Drums. Free entry, retiring offering. Refreshments.

Saturday 8th June 10 a.m. - 12 noon Gift Day in foyer at NMC - with Coffee and Cake. Please support this opportunity to give to the mission and ministry of our church. If anyone would like to bring a cake, please let Kay Arnold know.

Donation to Street Pastors at the IOW Festival. The Street Pastors will be patrolling inside and outside the Festival grounds , from 21st – 24th June. There are many items that they will need for their ministry to the 90,000 festival-goers. If you would like to make a donation you can [donate online](#), or put your gift into a clearly labelled envelope and place it into a collection bag during one of the Sunday services during May.

Tea and Cake in the garden of Kay and John Arnold’s home on Saturday 3rd August will be from 2-30 to 5 p.m.

Keeping in touch! We are asking everyone who attends church regularly to fill in a confidential contact form. It gives an opportunity to tell us how you would like to be contacted, who to contact in case of emergency and whether you would like to be included in a future church directory. Please ask Keith for a form and hand it back to him for secure filing in the church office.

Here is the link to the [Methodist Church’s Privacy notice](#) about holding personal data. There will be a copy in the church foyer.

Shoebox Appeal 2024 - Each year we collect items and fill shoeboxes for disadvantaged children in Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania and Ukraine via the Rotary Club. These items have a huge impact on the children who receive them, who would otherwise have nothing at Christmas. We have already received a huge number of items kindly donated by Sue Wiggans. To ensure we have the right balance of items needed to fill a box, we will again be collecting specific items each month leading up to the shoebox day later in the year. These include a collection of school supplies, toiletries, accessories and toys. More details to follow shortly. For more information, please see Anita.

Saturday 12th October: 10-00 a.m. Shoebox Packing day in the hall for the 2024 appeal.

ARocha UK's Eco tip for May 2024 - Say no to the mow. Mowing your lawn less and letting parts grow long saves you time and helps give nature a home. If you want to make an even bigger impact on wildlife, wait to mow your lawn or a section of it until August to support even more animals.

The new list of items very much needed at the Food Bank during May is: rice 1kg packet, tinned custard, coffee, sponge puddings, jams and spreads, tooth paste, tooth brushes, deodorant, shower gel, shampoo, which can be donated at supermarkets. Or donate online at isleofwight.foodbank.org.uk, or send a cheque to Isle of Wight Food Bank, Love Lane, Cowes, PO31 7ET.

Please note: All items for the Newsletter to Marilyn by 12 noon on **Thursday** please – by email newsletternmcio@gmail.com, by telephone 293476 or by a written note.