

# NEWPORT METHODIST CHURCH

## 31<sup>st</sup> May NEWSLETTER

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### Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026 service:

10-30 a.m. Mr B Bates

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026 service:

10-30 a.m. Rev J Craske (Holy Communion)

### Hymns and Readings for Sunday Morning Service:-

Soff 553 This is the day, 1483 One more step along the world I go, 1120 Will you come and follow me, 519 Take my life and let it be, 269 I want to walk with Jesus Christ, 830 I the Lord of sea and sky.  
1 Samuel 3:1-10. Matthew 28:16-20.

### Pray Together!

**Prayers for this week. Pray without ceasing.**

We thank thee Lord for this fair earth, the glittering sky the silver sea,  
For all their beauty, all their worth, their light and glory come from thee,

**Pray** that ceasefires lead to a just and lasting peace across the Middle East so that communities can rebuild with hope for the future.

**Pray** for all suffering from Ebola and all those working to help them, and that the outbreak will be contained.

**Pray** for the youth of our Island and for the work of Youth for Christ.

**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.

**It is sad news that Local Preacher and Boys' Brigade Leader, Den Brewin, has passed away.** Since I joined BB in 1959, Den has been an inspiration not only to me but countless youngsters and congregations. He was at the start of my Christian journey and has been such an encouragement in many ways ever since. Thank you Den, you truly were a lovely man.

Bill.

**A Thanksgiving Service for Den's Life** will be held at East Cowes Methodist Church at 1-30 p.m. on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. Followed by refreshments.

**Christian Aid Week** The total contributed from this church in the Christian Aid envelopes was £238.75. The local Christian Aid Co-ordinator has expressed their grateful thanks.

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May 9-40 to 10-20 a.m.** Praying Together for the life of the church and beyond via Zoom. If you would like to join us request the Zoom link from [nmctogether@gmail.com](mailto:nmctogether@gmail.com)

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 9-30 to 11-30 a.m.** Quay Tots.

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 2-30 p.m. Ladies Fellowship.** My Life as an Evacuee with Laura Hunt.

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 7 p.m. Choir Practice.**

### **Gift Day: Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 10 a.m. – 12 noon in the Church Foyer**

We would love you to join us if you can make it – at any time during the morning and to stay for as short or as long as you wish! It is an opportunity to give a gift – however large or small towards the mission and ministry of our church at Newport Methodist. All contributions will be gratefully received. There will be coffee/tea and delicious cakes to enjoy as well as the opportunity to chat with others. Let's hope and pray for a sunny day as we gather and share together! We look forward to seeing you there!

Donation envelopes will be available from this Sunday, on the day and the following Sunday. The envelopes can be placed in the Sunday offering if you are unable to attend on the day. The church's bank details are shown at the foot of this newsletter for bank transfers. Contactless card donations can also be made. Please also consider gift aiding your donation if you pay sufficient tax to cover your donation. The church can claim 25p for every £1 that is donated under the gift aid scheme.

The Finance and Property Committee supported by the Events Team.

**We have the Gift Day on the 6<sup>th</sup> June** and this provides the opportunity, (in between coffee and cakes), to get a few odd jobs done. This will include preparing the old boiler room to replace the pantry room and tidying up the car parking area. If you are feeling energetic and don't mind getting a bit grubby then there will be something you can help with. If you would rather relax and enjoy the fellowship, cake and chat then that is equally fine!

The Finance and Property Committee.

### **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 11 a.m. Joyce Leppard's funeral at Brighstone Methodist Church.**

### **Quiz Night - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June**

Join us for a fun quiz on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June starting at 7 p.m.

Suggested donation of £3.00 to include the quiz and a light supper, teas/coffee or cold drinks depending on the weather!

Please sign the sheet in the foyer by Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

Hope to see you there!

**Circuit conversations:** following on from the sharing of ideas in local churches about how to go forward together as a Circuit there are two dates arranged for all the churches to come together to continue the conversation either on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June at Newport Methodist Church at 10-30 a.m.** or **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June at Wootton Bridge Methodist Church at 7 p.m.**

**The Methodist Church in Britain launched a Digital Transformation Programme in January this year.** The aim is to enable our Churches to be more connected and better equipped for mission and ministry in this digital age. Our thoughts are required to take this forward. Please consider responding to the survey attached to this newsletter. Alison Geddes.

**The list of items very much needed at the Food Bank is:** squash, custard, puddings, fruit juice, coffee, cooking sauces, rice, which can be donated at supermarkets. Or donate online at <https://isleofwight.foodbank.org.uk> or send a cheque to Isle of Wight Food Bank, Love Lane, Cowes.

**Setting up a regular monthly gift to Newport Methodist Church.** To set up or amend a standing order, log in to your online banking or visit your local branch with Newport Methodist Church bank account details:

**Name:** Newport Methodist Church **Sort Code:** 40-52-40 **Account:** 00011976 **Reference:** Your own name

Please arrange for Standing Orders to commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. Many thanks.

Please note all items for the Newsletter to Marilyn by 12 noon on Thursday please by email [newsletternmcior@gmail.com](mailto:newsletternmcior@gmail.com) or by a written note.

### **Church Stewards:**

Keith Marston, Anne Marston, Lesley Vaughan, Bill Bates