

The Methodist Church

Horfield Methodist Church
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We are part of the Bristol and South Gloucestershire Circuit (www.bsqc.org.uk)
a family of churches serving communities across the local area.

We hope to welcome all
serve the community
spread God's love

Sunday 23rd August 2026

WORSHIP DETAILS for 23rd August

Horfield at 10:00 conducted by Revd Martin Slocombe with Holy Communion.
Bishopston at Horfield.

WORSHIP DETAILS for 30th August

Horfield at 10:00 conducted by John Creech.
Bishopston at 10.30 conducted by Forward Maisokwadzo.

Lectionary readings. Isaiah 51: 1-6, Psalm 138, Romans 12: 1-8, Matthew 16: 13-20

Whole Church

An important part of our discipleship is to pray for our community and one another. This week you are asked to pray for the following and their families: Pam Williams, Hannah and Samuel Williamson, Alison Young, Kim Adams, Marion Andrews, Richard Angell and Margaret Angell-Alpass, Nii Annan, Cherry Arnall, Shehzad Ashiq.

Incident at Horfield

One of the church entrance doors has been damaged. It looks like someone broke into the premises some time before 8.30pm Saturday 15th August. Luckily nothing was taken and, other than the door and hinge, no damage done. Well done to Donna, who noticed the door was open on Saturday evening, and thankyou to Helen and Andy, who joined Donna on site and made the door secure. Also, to Richard and David, who have started work to repair and make good the door and hinge. Unfortunately, the hedgehog patrolling the site Saturday night arrived too late to see the intruder!



World Day of Prayer Service Sunday 16th August

Here are some photos from the service at Horfield. Thank you to the housegroup for leading the service. We raised £132 on Sunday - this money helps support global Christian charities, women's and children's charities, and disaster relief. We have already started thinking about 2027 - the housegroup will be having a planning meeting in October. If you are interested or would like to be involved next year, please get in touch with Alison or Marilyn.



Little Fishes - a request for volunteers

Once again, a request for volunteers to help in the kitchen at Little Fishes this coming term, making drinks for the adults, cutting up snacks for toddlers, then washing up (of course!!).

We meet 10am-11.30am on Friday mornings during term time, but it would be very helpful if you could arrive for 9.45am. We are hoping that you will support this important part of the church's community outreach, so please sign up!

Since this notice was written, people have been volunteering and filling vacant slots - a BIG THANK YOU to those who have signed up already - we really need someone to help out on Friday 2nd October.

Gardening/Weeding at Horfield

If you are green fingered and/or have some free time to help out with a bit of gardening, please let Pam Gannon know. Pam and a team of volunteers have taken on the weeding and garden maintenance - the more people involved, the less work it will be!

Some changes to Messy Church going forward.....

Messy Church will now be meeting 4 times a year.

The dates for 2026/2027 will be:

- Saturday, October 24th
- Saturday, December 5th
- Saturday March 20th
- Saturday, June 26th.

We are looking forward to welcoming people along to these sessions. More details will follow in the coming weeks/months.



FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT - 21st September to 4 October 2026

The theme for this year is **Do It Fair** - focusing on People, Planet and Fair Play - look out for more details and how you can support this, in the coming weeks.

Please keep visiting our own church Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/share/16H4iPxiiX/>

Circuit Events To find out what's going on across the circuit and details about all upcoming events, click here <https://bsqc.org.uk/events/>

Turnaround

Turnaround now has a Facebook page, where they will be sharing regular updates about their work, the people they support, and ways you can help make a difference in their community. You can follow them here:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61591327747948>

DATES for your DIARY

30th September - Property Group Meeting (Horfield site) 7pm at Church

6th October - Leadership Meeting 7pm at Horfield

9th October - Fundraising Concert in the evening at Horfield

20th October - Study Group - Heaven 7pm at Horfield (see poster on last page)

22nd October - Church Council 7pm at Horfield

24th October - Messy Church

27th October - Study Group - Heaven 7pm at Horfield

Submissions for notices

All submissions for the notices should be sent to: mail@horfieldmethodist.org.uk by MONDAY for inclusion the following Sunday. Details of future events should be supplied with at least 12 days' notice.

People's Emergency Briefing

A short film presenting the latest evidence on the climate and nature crisis followed by discussion



Scan to book free seats

**The People's Emergency
Briefing | Film Showing
Sunday 20th September**

5.30pm Doors Open | Refreshments

6.00pm Film | 6.50pm Discussion & Responses

7.30pm Depart

Bradbury Hall, Waterford Rd, Henleaze BS9 4BT

Jointly organised by Trinity-Henleaze URC & St Peter's, Henleaze

Discussion Group Heaven

In the book 'Heaven', Paula Gooder considers the ways in which the Bible sees heaven and earth connecting, and explores all the major strands of belief about life after death, including the role of paradise, and what happens between death and resurrection. She shows how the biblical writers see heaven and earth as closely connected, so that what happens in heaven affects events on earth and vice versa. You might like to buy the book and read along with us, but it is not essential.

**Horfield Methodist Church
Tuesdays from 7pm**

Oct 20th – Introduction and Cosmology

Oct 27th – Transcendence and Closeness

Nov 10th – Angels

Nov 17th – Communication

Nov 24th – Life and Death

Come and watch a video, see what the Bible has to say, and share your thoughts – all are welcome

Makers' Market

Saturday 5th September

11am to 4pm

At Westbury Park Methodist Church
4 North View, Bristol BS6 7QB

Free admission

Local makers will showcase and sell their work

Drinks and snacks will be served in the cafe

The event will be fundraising for the British charity, 'War Child' which works with children and families in conflict-affected countries.



Westbury-on-Trym
**Methodist
Church**

Click and Connect

is a new community digital support
program for the over 55's.

**Thursday
10.30am – 12.30 pm**
starting on 10 September.

Thanks to grants from **The Anchor Society** and the **Methodist Circuit**, Digital support sessions are back at the Westbury-on-Trym Methodist Church. Same team, new name, offering weekly focussed and drop-in sessions to support you to learn a new skill or hone and tone existing skills.

Bring your mobile phone or tablet and move forward with us

www.wotmethodist.org.uk

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