

The Methodist Church

Horfield Methodist Church
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We are part of the Bristol and South Gloucestershire Circuit (www.bsgc.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 11th October 2026

WORSHIP DETAILS for 11th October

Horfield at 10:00 - Local Arrangement - MHA (Methodist Homes), with a talk by Silke Chatfield, the chaplain at Horfield Lodge.

Bishopston at Horfield.

WORSHIP DETAILS for 18th October

Horfield at 10:00 conducted by Revd Martin Slocombe

Bishopston at 10.30 conducted by David Deekes with Holy Communion

Lectionary readings. Isaiah 25: 1-9, Psalm 23, Philippians 4: 1-9, Matthew 22: 1-14

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: Philippa Pomeroy, Margaret Postlethwaite, Danikka Pratt, Jehlani Pratt, Kenneth Reid, Miriam Reid, Lorraine Richardson, Robert Rowsell, Donna Sharpe, Naomi Shepherd.

3Generate

We would like to thank everyone for their prayers and contributions towards our recent weekend at 3Generate (the annual Methodist youth event at the NEC, Birmingham). We all had a wonderful time exploring 'Jesus - the Way, the Truth, and the Life,' through craft, sport, thought-provoking challenges and discussions, plus music and drama workshops. Each day there was a 'Big Worship' which saw over 2,000 young people celebrating their faith through song and dance, as they considered their Christian journey, past, present and future.

The members of 4:12



Methodist Homes MHA

This Sunday we will be hearing all about the work of MHA and will be joined at our service by Silke Chatfield, the Chaplain at Horfield Lodge. To find out more about MHA click [MHA | Live Later Life Well](#) or go to www.mha.org.uk

Harvest - Turnaround

A huge thankyou to everyone who donated items and money. We raised £125 in cash at the service last week and received lots of food, toiletries and other goods. These were dropped off at Turnaround on Monday. Thank you to Pam and the housegroup members who decorated the church for the service - it looked lovely. Also, thank you to everyone involved in loading up the goods, and Jenny & Keith who got everything to Turnaround in their car.



Gardening Group

The gardening group have been busy tackling the weeds and brambles around church. As you can see from the pictures, it's a big job! Everyone worked really hard - if you're interested in joining this group speak to Pam Gannon or email mail@horfieldmethodist.org.uk



Fairtrade Fortnight

Fairtrade fortnight finished on the 4th October. A big thank you to those of you who added your names to the Do It Fair petition. For updates and news about Fairtrade click [Fairtrade Foundation](#) or go to www.fairtrade.org.uk

Evangelism Weekend Follow up Saturday 17th October

Just a reminder that this is happening just down the road in St Andrews, Filton - starting at 10am. All are welcome.

HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

Oakbridge Guardians is looking for kind local households with a spare room to host international boarding-school students for occasional weekends, half-terms and holidays.

Hosts receive a fair daily rate. Stays are flexible, and full safer-recruitment checks apply. Where eligible, HMRC Rent-a-Room relief can cover the first £7,500.

Find out more: oakbridgeguardians.com/host-families

Oakbridge Guardians reached out to us this week - if you want to know more before contacting them, email secretary@horfieldmethodist.org.uk

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/> or check out the hard copy situated on both noticeboards.

There are a couple of things happening at **Staple Hill Methodist Church** you may be interested in;

Saturday 17th October *Autumn Concert* with the Redland Wind Band at 7.30pm

Repair Café - third Saturday of every month 10am-12noon. Posters are on the noticeboards at Horfield, and on the circuit events page.

DATES for your DIARY

17th October - Evangelism weekend follow-up 10am- 12/12.30pm (St Andrews, Filton)

17th October - Property Group Meeting (Bishopston site)

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

2nd November - Forget Me Not - a time for reflection 7pm @ Bishopston (see poster on last page)

21st November - Christmas Fayre 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.

Sunday Service zoom 27th September 2026

Apologies to anyone who tried to log in to watch the service last Sunday - the Wifi was down and we were unable get online. We don't anticipate any issues this week!

A few more pictures from a busy week!!



It wasn't all work at 3Gen - Donna, relaxing in a massage chair!



The **Methodist Church**
Bristol & South Gloucestershire Circuit

**Evangelism
weekend '25**
follow up!

OCT 17th
10am- 12/12.30pm

ST ANDREWS
METHODIST CHURCH,
FILTON, BS34 7PS

*Coffee and cake morning for sharing and
encouragement!*

We will explore:

- What's happened since the weekend?
- How have you been connecting with your community?
- What stories can we celebrate?
- What can we learn from one another?

*Come and share ideas, encouragement, and inspiration
as we continue reaching out in our communities.
Everyone welcome!*

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 3rd – Angels
Nov 10th – Communication
Nov 17th – Life and Death

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

BRISTOL AND SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE
METHODIST CIRCUIT
invites you to

CAROLS AND STEAM
ON THE AVON VALLEY RAILWAY

Ride a steam train, sing carols accompanied by the Bristol East and Kingswood Brass Band and enjoy seasonal refreshments.

**Saturday 5th December and
Sunday 6th December**

Avon Valley Railway, Bitton Station, BS30 6HD
Arrive by 6.45pm for train departure at 7.00.
Parking available on-site.

£13.00 adults, £7.00 (children 5 – 16), under 5s free
Hot drink and seasonal treat included.
Booking essential

Profits for Action for Children & The Railway Children Charities

Avon Valley Railway

Bristol East & Kingswood
Brass Band

For more information or to book, scan the QR code.
Any Questions?
info@avonvalleyrailway.org
0117 332 0435

Forget Me Not

Bishopston Methodist Church
Monday 2nd November 2026
7.00pm

Led by Revd Martin Slocombe

*A time for reflection, as we
remember together, those we
love, but see no longer*