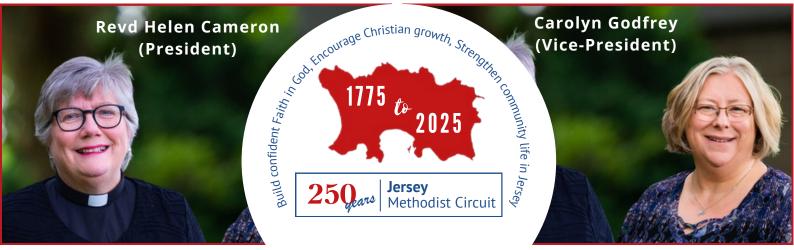
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Newsletter April 2025









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Prayer for the Week: April

Week commencing 6th April

Father God, we thank you for 250 years of Methodism on this beautiful island. We give thanks for current members and our ancestors in the faith. May we remain Alive and Well. Amen.





Week commencing 13th April

Holy God, As we recall the pain and suffering of Jesus' last days, may we be reminded afresh of his ultimate sacrifice for each and every one of us. Amen.

Week commencing 20th April

Resurrecting God, Thank you for raising Jesus and giving us the hope of eternal life with you. May the visit of the President and Vice President of Conference be wellsupported and bring joy to our Circuit. Amen.





Week commencing 27th April

Father God, we thank you for the joy and unity of coming together as a Circuit for the visits of the President and Vice President of Conference. Help us to work together to see your vision for our future. Amen.



News From Stuart Court

Welcome to April! This is a month filled with joy and reminds us of renewal and hope.

Our visit from Jersey Heritage reminded us to value objects and memories from times gone by, we had such a laugh using objects and our memories to transport us back in time.

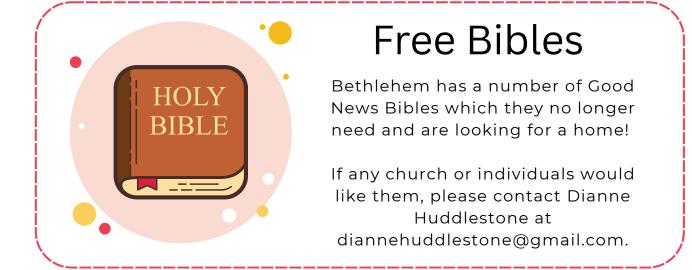
We have also enjoyed several trips out shopping, site seeing and of course a stop off for some tea! We don't have to worry about our waistlines as we have regular boxing, yoga & exercises sessions to keep us fit !

Sending you our very best wishes.

Elaine Jackson (Home Manager)







Mothering Sunday Celebrations

St Martin got together to make the posies that would be distributed by the children to all the ladies in the congregation at their Mothering Sunday Service. Meeting at the Le Cornu's barn to put the posies together, the flowers were donated from people's gardens, farmers fields and very generous gifts.

> The Friday before Mothering Sunday, the little Pickles at Ebenezer went into Church to give thanks for their

> > mums and grans and, judging by the smiles, the flowers were very well received.



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Ash Wednesday 5th March, 11am at Georgetown Holy Communion led by Rev Keith

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Maundy Thursday 17th April, 7pm at Ebenezer Service led by Rev Keith

Good Friday 18th April, 10am at St Helier Methodist Centre Messy Family Service led by Rev Keith,

10.30am at St Helier Methodist Centre Circuit service led by Rev Dawn

Easter Sunday 20th April, 10.30am at: Georgetown, led by Rev Dawn St Aubin, led by Rev Peter St Helier, led by Martin Delap St Martin, led by Rev Keith Bethesda, led by Nola Webster Ebenezer, led by Rev Debbie

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JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY 9TH APRIL @ 2.30PM

BETHESDA FAMILY

EASTER FUN!

Decorate an Easter Cake, which you can take home to enjoy, and hear about the Easter Story. This is for all ages and stages!

To ensure we have enough yummy cakes and decorations for everyone please message Marilyn on 07797836720 to book your space

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Easteractive

Back by popular demand, the donkey returns.....





Interactive creative worship on Palm Sunday 13th April at 10.30am Ebenezer Methodist Church

Come along and be part of the crowd waving palm branches

Drama - craft - singing - fun refreshments

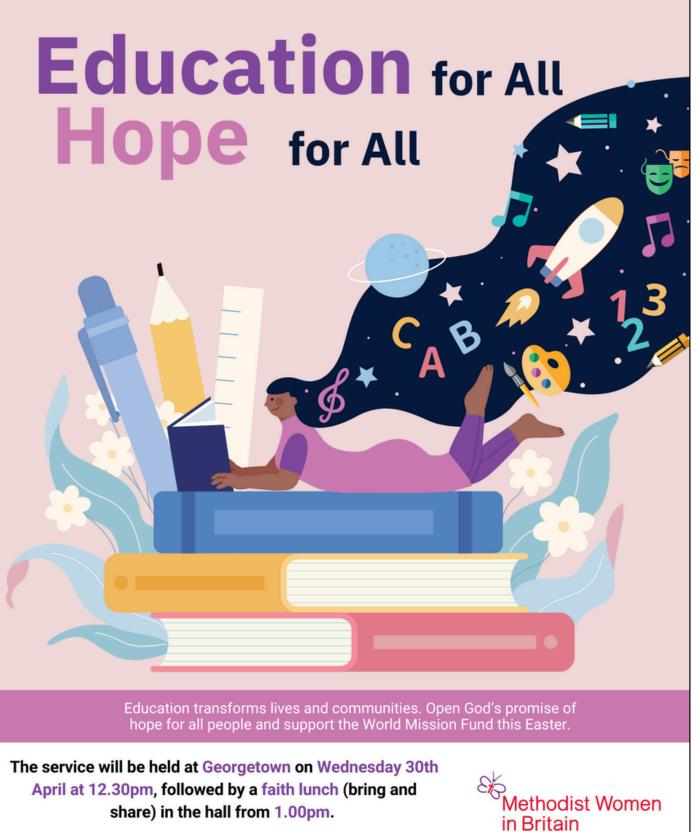


An Invitation to join us for a PASSOVER MEAL

> Good Friday 18th April at Bethlehem Methodist Church Hall for 6pm, PROMPT!

All profits go to Bethlehem's `Israel Fund' for future Events

- To book your place contact: Jean Schooling (jeanschooling@hotmail.co.uk or 07797 841414)
- IMPORTANT: Please advise when booking if you are are VEGETARIAN or have any ALLERGIES
- £10 to include a Buffet meal
- Space limited! First come first served!
- Closing Date: 11th April (for Catering Purposes)



The service will be led by Rev Dawn, with Rev Keith giving a short talk after lunch.

All are welcome!

Please note that parking is available, but due to limited spaces please do share cars where possible.

in Britain for women, for justice, for Christ

The Methodist Church

250 Years of Methodism in Jersey

Anniversary weekend of events:

Saturday 26th April:

Question Time - 12pm to 1pm at the Town Church Hall

Hosted by Matthew Price, the President and Vice-President will be joined by the Justice minister, Chief of Police and representatives from JAAR, Freeda, Sanctuary Trust and Karios Arts to discuss the issue of domestic abuse and violence in Jersey.

The event has been chosen to honour the topic selection of the Methodist Prayer Handbook for 2024/25, which is Praise and Protect.

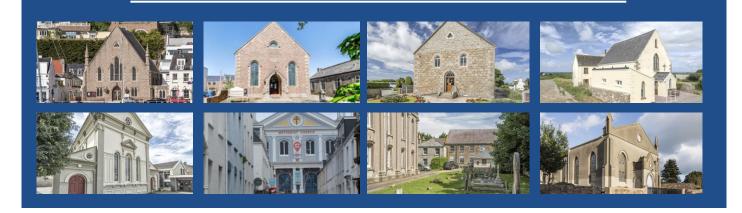
Sunday 27th April:

History Walk - 10.30am in St Helier

Blue badge guide, Jean Treleven, will lead a historic walk through St Helier, exploring the lives of the early Methodists in Jersey. Now **Fully Booked**, please email admin.office.jsy@gmail.com, if you are interested in attending a later dated walk with Jean.

Circuit Service - 3pm at St Helier Methodist Centre

The Revd Helen Cameron (President) and Carolyn Godfrey (Vice) will lead this special Sunday service for the entire circuit, which will be followed by afternoon tea. We look forward to coming together to celebrate this momentous occasion for Methodists in Jersey and hope as many of you as possible can attend!



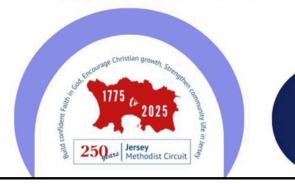
Question time

Hosted by Matthew Price BBC Radio Jersey

Come join us for a crucial discussion on domestic abuse and violence in Jersey. Let's come together as a community to raise awareness, provide support, and work towards a safer future for all. Don't miss out on this opportunity to be part of the conversation and make a difference!

Panelists:

- Revd Helen Cameron President of the Methodist Conference
- Carolyn Godfrey Vice-President of the Methodist Conference
- Mary Le Hegarat Justice Minister
- Robin Smith Chief of Jersey Police
- Kate Wright CEO, Freeda
- Tracey Le Brocq & Brooke Le Breton JAAR
- Tim Ringsdore Chair, Sanctuary Trust
- Cathy Sara CEO, Kairos Arts





+ HOPE

Town Church Hall

#STOPVIOLENCE

#AGAINSTVIOLENCE

Get your free ticket at eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/questiontime-domestic-abuse-and-violence-in-jersey -tickets-1259276573129?aff=oddtdtcreator

Catching up with Samares

Samares are proud to have supported the Grace Trust with the monthly distribution of groceries since 2007. Groceries are delivered on Thursday, transforming the church into a 'warehouse'. On Friday a team come in and fill the bags with the groceries and on Saturday morning another team of helpers come and collect the bags and deliver them.





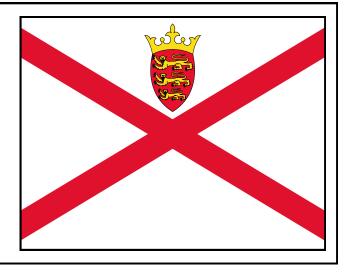
The weekly 'Coffee and Friends' afternoon sessions are going well. Puzzles are very popular as well as knitting...although there is so much chatting I think more rows of knitting are undone than done!



Liberation Services

St.Ouen 9th May @ 9.30

Let the Circuit admin know of any other Liberation services that may be happening across the circuit



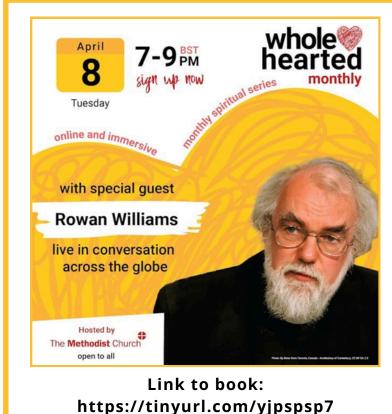
The Jersey Methodist Magazines

Jersey Archive have been going through their documents and have found duplicates of some of The Jersey Methodist Magazines. Instead of them being destroyed, they have kindly passed them onto the Circuit office, should anyone in the Methodist community like them.

If you are interested, please contact the Circuit admin at circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com for a list of the editions available. Just let the Circuit admin know the edition numbers you would like and arrangements can be made to drop them at whichever Church is best for collection.



BUMPER 16 PAGE ISSUE!



Wholehearted Monthly

Wholehearted monthly aims to digitally connect up diverse leaders doing mission across the Connexion in different ways and contexts for inspiration, equipping and networking for the sake of transformation in the world God loves. Together we'll open to the Holy Spirit, learn from a different renowned guest speaker each month, and break into groups for wisdom-sharing and equipping for mission with others who share our particular focus.

Sip & Make with Rev. Keith

Every Friday and Sunday evening during Lent Rev Keith has been opening the Seawood manse for 'Sip and Make' sessions. Guests gather in the front lounge to enjoy a cold refreshment and to light a candle to welcome the weekend before moving the candle light to the kitchen where everyone prays a simple blessing over the lights and bread that represents their prayers.



Refreshments are served before moving into the big

event which is having a go at fused glass making. Participants can make piece for themselves, usually a pendant or coaster as well as another piece that will be included in a larger exhibit during Easter.



Guests are invited back on Sunday evening to say goodbye to the weekend. This includes following the same brief ritual as the Friday before and enjoying the 'big reveal' of their art work.

Everyone is encouraged to stay and enjoy more refreshments and to discuss their experience with one another.

Rev Keith has led three of these events so far saying how joyful it is to draw lots of people together across the Circuit for these fellowship events. The 'Sip and Make' sessions provide an excellent opportunity for people not connected with our churches to come and enjoy a mini retreat too.



There are still openings on the first two Fridays and Sundays in April at 6.00pm for those who would like to experience the 'Sip and Make' events. Please contac Rev. Keith if you are interested.



Monthly sessions that bring together old and new generations to a create a warm and welcoming environment filled with song and craft.

- Location: Ebenezer Methodist Church
- Time: From 2.45pm
- Session dates:
 - 4th of April
 - 16th of May
 - 13th of June
 - 4th of July

Individuals and care home groups welcomed. For further information please contact Amy Britton on 07797 769186.

CIRCUIT DIARY FOR THE NEXT MONTH:

WEEKLY EVENTS:

- Monday: Drop in at St Aubin's Methodist Church 1pm to 4pm
- Monday: Messy Bears 9am to 12pm (Term-time only)
- Wednesday: Coffee Buzz at Samares 10.30am
- Thursday: Community Coffee Morning at St Aubin's Methodist Church 10am to 12.30pm
- Thursday: Community Coffee Morning at Georgetown Methodist Church 10am to 12 noon
- Thursday: Bible study & soup lunch at St Helier Methodist Centre

SPECIAL EVENTS

April:

- 4th St Brelade Lent Lunch 12pm to 2pm
- 4th St Martin Lent Lunch 12pm to 1.30pm
- 4th Generations From 2.45pm
- 5th Bethlehem Film Night From 6pm
- 7th Lent Course at Georgetown 2.30pm
- 9th Bethesda Family Fun 2.30pm
- 11th St Martin Lent Lunch 12pm to 1.30pm
- 11th St Brelade Lent Lunch 12pm to 2pm
- 12th Representative Synod Jersey From 9.30am
- 15th Messy Vintage at Philadelphie 2.30pm to 4.30pm
- 17th St Ouen Lent Lunch 12pm to 2pm
- 17th Maundy Thursday Service at Ebenezer 7pm
- 18th Good Friday Messy Service at St Helier 10am
- 18th Good Friday Service at St Helier 10.30am
- 18th St Brelade Lent Lunch 12pm to 2pm
- 18th Passover Meal at Bethelehem 6pm
- 20th Sunrise Service at Greve de Lecq 6am
- 20th 10.30am at: Georgetown, St Aubin, St Helier, St Martin, Bethesda and Ebenezer
- 26th Question Time (250th Anniv. event) at Town Church Hall
- 27th Historic Walk in St Helier (250th Anniv. event) Ticketed
- 27th 250th Anniversary Circuit Service followed by afternoon tea at St Helier Methodist Centre - 3pm

Remember to also check out the Circuit calendar on the Circuit website for a collection of all events happening across the circuit. If you want to have an event added, just email the circuit administrator with details of the event.

