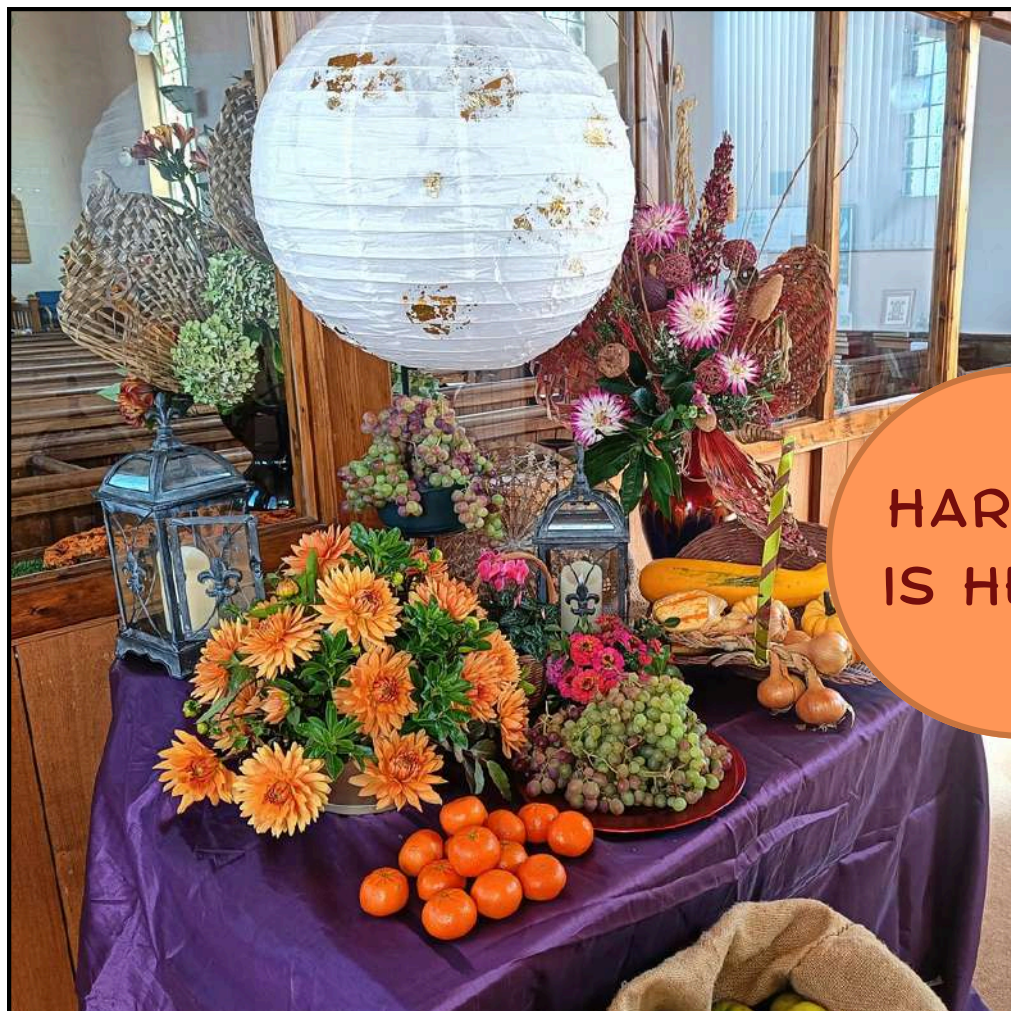




**HARVEST
IS HERE...**



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Prayer for the Week: October

Part of the Ignite Prayer Wave



Week commencing 4th October

Ephesians 6:18 - "And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests." This verse emphasizes praying in all circumstances and with spiritual guidance.

Father God, we pray for the world and for all the conflicts in many nations. We pray for all the disasters of wildfires, floods, climate change and the loss of permeable levels in mountainous regions. We pray for the end of despots, the men who wish to obtain more land by force by any way they can and by whatever means. Help us to manage all these things Lord and give us more counsel to overcome or at least cope with all these adversities.

We pray for our churches and especially for our Circuit Celebration weekend here in Jersey. We pray that this may help us plan the way forward and bring us all together in this endeavour, with confidence for the future. Amen.



Week commencing 11th October

James 5:16 - "Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." Prayer is linked to confession, intercession, and spiritual power.

Dear Father, please guide us in helping those who are injured or sick. Grant wisdom and strength to researchers seeking cures for cancer and other diseases, especially for teenage brain cancers at this time. We thank you for the medical breakthroughs we often take for granted, such as x-rays, antibiotics, and blood transfusions. We are truly grateful.

Please give patience and understanding to caregivers. Help them learn the empathy and kindness essential for their role. May patients find the courage to accept their treatment, however difficult it may seem, and may the terminally ill find comfort.

Let those who are ill be included in our thoughts and prayers during our Circuit weekend, ensuring they feel involved through receiving the Circuit Newsletter and pastoral visits. It is vital that we remember them, God. Help us find time in our busy lives to include and support them. We value your guidance and know you are with us on our journey. Amen.

Prayer for the Week: October(cont.)

Week commencing 18th October

Colossians 4:2 - "Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." It stresses dedication and vigilance in prayer." AND Romans 12:12 - "Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." It encourages perseverance and hope through prayer.

Gracious Father, you call us to devote ourselves to prayer, always to always stay watchful and thankful. Strengthen our hearts so that hope becomes our joy, affliction becomes our teacher, and prayer becomes our steady breath as we walk with you each day.

Help us to be joyful in hope when the future feels uncertain, especially through this time of transition in the way we work as a Circuit. Help us to be patient in affliction when the road is heavy going. Help us to be faithful in prayer, returning to you repeatedly with trust that you hear, and you act.

Make our spirits alert to your presence, our minds grateful for your gifts, and our hearts steadfast in seeking you and your will especially during the Circuit Celebration weekend. Let our lives become quiet testimonies of perseverance, hope, and devotion – shaped by your Word and sustained by your grace. Amen.

Week commencing 25th October

Matthew 7:7-8 - "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." This reinforces faith and persistence.

Lord Jesus, you invite us to ask, to seek, to knock – trusting that you hear, you guide, and you open what no one else can. Strengthen our faith when answers feel slow and doors seem closed. Teach our hearts to persist as we Run the Race, not in worry, but in hope.

When we ask, fill us with confidence in your goodness. When we seek your will as we Run the Race for the future, let us find your presence in every step. When we knock, open the way that leads us deeper into your will for our churches and this Circuit.

May our persistence to Run the Race be rooted in love, our waiting filled with peace, and our prayers shaped by trust in your unfailing grace and care. Amen.





Come & join us...

Christmas Fayre

at St Aubin's Methodist Church

Saturday 21st November

10.00am to 13.00pm

Refreshments
Craft, Gift & Cake Stalls

Everyone Welcome!



Bethlehem Film Night

Film Nights are back!

The first is a classic film: *Ladies in Lavender*, starring Judi Dench and Maggie Smith. Set in Cornwall in 1936, sisters Jane and Ursula discover a castaway on the beach below their home. During his convalescence, they discover more about him...and themselves.

Saturday 10th October at Bethlehem Methodist Church, St Mary.

Join at 6.00p.m. for meal, 7.30pm for film

Please let Dianne Huddleston know by the 7th October, if you are attending the meal
(Tel: 07797747621)



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Georgetown Methodist Church

THURSDAY NIGHT IS MUSIC NIGHT CONCERTS

Celebrating 25 years • 2001 - 2026

HARVEST CONCERT

THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER

**St Saviour's
Parish Church Choir**

7.30PM

**Simone Garton &
Hilton Packies**
(vocalists)

Nic Turner
(organ)

**FREE
ENTRY**

Retiring collection shared between the John Lobb Memorial
Trust, Sanctuary House and the Church's mission

HARVEST TIME IS UNDERWAY...



Bethesda - 20th September



St Aubin - 27th September



**All the food
given during the
service will be
going to the
Food Bank at St
Helier Methodist
Centre.**





St Martin – 27th September



The beautiful harvest decorations this year were done by Jackie Layer, Carole Bisson, Marian Arnold and Ann Marett. How wonderful the church looked!





FOOD BANK

Along with other churches in St Helier, St Helier Methodist Centre support individuals and families who are struggling to make ends meet. The loss of a job, arrival of an illness or a change in relationships can make people very vulnerable.

While we cannot solve the problems, we do try and make a practical difference. We maintain a supply of emergency food which is distributed via referral from the CAB.

All the Methodist churches in Jersey support us in this work. Together with other agencies in St Helier we are committed to tackling food poverty and its potentially devastating impact..

On behalf of St Helier Methodist Centre, I would like to thank all the churches for their generous donations to our foodbank following the Harvest celebrations.

We have received an overwhelming amount of donations. Most will be added to our foodbank, and any surplus will be passed on to The Grace Trust.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated and will make a real difference to those in need.

Thank you again.

Julie (St Helier Methodist Centre Administrator)

thank you

Methodist Mens' Breakfast Club

The Methodist Mens' Breakfast Club meets on the second Saturday of each month at 8.30am. The group is from across the Circuit and welcomes all men to join in a time of Fellowship. You will be made very welcome.

The next Breakfast is on Saturday 10th October at Colleen's. Please let Richard know if you'd like to join them:
rq_uk@yahoo.co.uk.

MUSEUM OF THE MOON

ArtHouse Jersey brings Museum of the Moon to St Helier Methodist Centre from Sunday 15th to Sunday 29th November.

ArtHouse Jersey is delighted to bring Museum of the Moon, the internationally acclaimed installation by artist Luke Jerram to Jersey this November.

Measuring six meters in diameter and featuring highly detailed NASA imagery of the lunar surface, this extraordinary illuminated sculpture combines light with surround sound composition to invite audiences to encounter our closest celestial neighbour in an entirely new way.



The installation at St John's Centre in Gdansk, Poland in June 2026

Presented in churches, cathedrals, museums, and public spaces around the world, Museum of the Moon has brought communities together through a shared experience of wonder, reflection and connection, inspired by humanity's enduring relationship with the moon.

The installation forms part of the Butterfield Public Art Series and will be accompanied by a vibrant programme of events, from yoga sessions to family storytelling, performances and creative experiences, offering many different ways to gather beneath the Moon.

Following the success of Floating Earth, which attracted more than 31,000 visitors in Jersey, Museum of the Moon continues ArtHouse Jersey's commitment to bringing extraordinary public artworks to unexpected places, creating memorable cultural experiences that are free and accessible to all. ArtHouse Jersey approached St Helier Methodist Centre as the host venue because of the church's impressive scale, distinctive character, and central, accessible location, making it an ideal setting for this internationally renowned installation. Hosting Museum of the Moon is an exciting opportunity for both Jersey and St Helier Methodist Centre. It will enable the church to welcome thousands of visitors while offering a free cultural experience that can be enjoyed by people of all ages and backgrounds, fostering curiosity, creativity and a sense of shared community.



To find out more about Museum of the Moon, and see images of previous presentations, check out the website:
www.my-moon.org



A golden celebratoin at St Martin's

St Martin's Methodist Church joined Ann and David Marrett in celebrating a very important celebration in August; their golden wedding anniversary.



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Anne and David receiving their gift.

On Saturday the 8th Ann and David welcomed everyone to help them celebrate with an afternoon tea in the Chruch hall. On Sunday the 9th, they were then presented with a gift of a Roald Dahl Rose during the Sunday service. Congrautulations Ann and David!

That Sunday St Martin's were also blessed to have the new Chair of District; Rev. Rachel Bending leading the worship. It was a lovely oppurtunity to meet her, with Ebenezer also joining and the service was excellent.

Rachel started in her new role as joint Chair to Southampton and the Channel Islands District from September 1st, and hopes to meet as many members of the Jersey Circuit when she visits Jersey.



Rev Rachel Bending

A Diamond Celebration...

Another celebration at St Martin's in August, this time Robin and Ann Perchard celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary, with a gift being shared with them at the Sunday service on August 30th. Congratulations Robin & Ann on your 60 years married!



Left: Carole Bisson and Sue Reid.



Above: Sonny presenting Ann & Robin with their gift.

This service was also the last with Sue Reid as Senior Steward of St Martin. Sue is taking a much deserved break of one year from stewardship. Everyone at St Martin's thanks Sue for all her hard work and welcomes Carole Bisson, who has taken on the role of Senior Steward with effect from 1st September.

Help Mustard Seed Jersey bring joy in both Ukraine & Romania for Christmas with the 2024 Christmas Shoe box Appeal

Email: mustardseedjersey@yahoo.co.uk or rose@mustardseed.org.je

Website: www.mustardseed.org.je

Facebook: [mustardseedjsy](https://www.facebook.com/mustardseedjsy)

For full details of how to help take part please view the 2026 at www.mustardseed.org.je



Ignite Circuit Celebration Weekend Update

Hello everyone,

On behalf of Richard, Katie and myself, I want to offer our thanks to everyone who has signed up for our Ignite Circuit Celebration Weekend, which is taking place at the Biarritz hotel from the 23rd to 25th of October.

Both residential and day guest sign-ups are going well, but please do continue to sign up. There are still a few more residential rooms available for anyone that wants to fully immerse themselves in the weekend.

An extra special shout-out should go to the Biarritz hotel for giving our circuit exclusive use of the hotel for the weekend; it is incredibly generous. Also to the circuit prayer team and other contributors who have prayed and prepared for the weekend.

I have been privileged to have frequent conversations with Rev Anthony Clowes and Jo Goodall in the build up and we really are in store for a treat. It is going to be a lovely time to be together and to enjoy a weekend of inspiration.

Thank you so much, Rev Keith and the design team

THE PRAYER WAVE

A sudden transformation claims the shore,
new contours shaped as rolling currents reach.

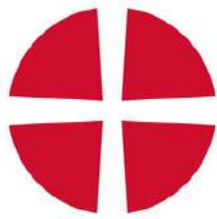
Drawing from the deep, the power of the wave begins and eddies in swirls turning
pebbles and sand into ripples on the ocean floor.

The wave gains power... drawing with momentum towards the shore,
building higher towards the surface,
creating troughs and peaks until a wave forms
that can only see its destination as the shoreline.

Its crest rises and peaks, racing onto the shoreline
crashing and sucking sand and shingle up the beach.

As the tide falls back, drawing sand and stones,
our feet walk down the slope and paddle in the shallow foam.
As tides come in and boats go out raising their sails for future destinations...
as shoals of fish come inshore on moonlit tides,
our children swim in new waters each year.

Bless their hopes, talents and skills,
and set them free to learn and dream of greater things.



Learning Network Training Opportunities October 26

Could God be calling you to something new?

Explore is a nine-month journey designed to help you pause, reflect and discern how God might be calling you to serve through worship, learning, caring, evangelism or service.

Not sure if it's for you? Join our Explore Taster Session this September.

Learn more at: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/ministries/vocations/discerning-vocation/connexional-vocation-exploration-opportunities/exploring/>

Want to support people struggling with their mental health?

Our heavily subsidised Mental Health First Aid courses will equip you and your church community with practical skills and confidence.

Learn more at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/mental-health-first-aid-200349/?aff=escb&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=creatorshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=cp&utm-term=odclsxcollection>

Is church conflict getting in the way of ministry?

The Positive Working Together courses from Place for Hope offer practical tools for navigating difficult conversations and building healthier relationships.

Learn more at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/positive-working-together-818889/?aff=escb&utm-campaign=social&utm-content=creatorshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-source=cp&utm-term=odclsxcollection>

For more information on the Learning Network and the courses that are offered, please visit: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/learning-and-development/about-the-learning-network/>



Community Coffee Morning

Come join us at Georgetown Methodist Church for cake, coffee and community.

Ramped access and disabled facilities.

ALL WELCOME

10am to 12noon
Thursday Mornings



Circuit Plan - October 2026

Sunday Morning Services		October			
		4	11	18	25
		Homeless Sunday	Prisons Sunday	Freedom Sunday	Bible Sunday
Lectionary Readings		Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20, Psalm 19, Philippians 3:4b-14 Matthew 21:33-46	Exodus 32:1-14, Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23, Philippians 4:1-9, Matthew 22:1-14	Exodus 33:12-23, Psalm 99, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10, Matthew 22:15-22	Deuteronomy 34:1-12, Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17, 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, Matthew 22:34-46
Georgetown (41) StF	10:30	Goodhall HC	Higginson, H. H	Wheeler	Celebration Circuit Service Biarritz
Ebenezer (21) StF	10:30	URC Joining Higginson, H., H	URC Joining Poole, HC	At URC	
St Helier (77) StF	10:30	Le Moignan	Sadow HC	FS	
St Martin (65) StF	10:30	Sadow	Higginson, S. Café	Sadow HC	
Bethesda (36) *	10:30	At Bethlehem	Quenault	Goodhall HC	
Bethlehem (34) *	10:30	FS Island Marathon	Norman	At Bethesda	
St Aubin (46) StF*	10:30	Quenault	Goodhall HC	FS	
St Ouen (12) H&P, SoF	10:30	Le Mouton HC	Recorded (TBC)	FS	
* Speak to worship contact about the hymn book being used					
Key:	AAW :	All Age Worship		ATW:	All Together Worship
	B :	Baptism		BM:	Bible Month
	CA:	Church Anniversary		CC:	Church Council
	CF:	Café		CV:	Covenant
	FS:	Fellowship Service		H:	Harvest
	HC:	Communion		Recorded:	Prev. recorded sermon/service will be played, recorded preacher in brackets

Circuit Diary for the next month:

WEEKLY EVENTS:

- Monday: Community 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:

October:

- 3rd - Bethlehem Prayer Day - 8am to 8pm
- 6th - Messy Church at Philadelphie Methodist Centre - 3.30pm to 5.30pm
- 7th - Bethesda Methodist Church Council - 3pm
- 8th - Georgetown Methodist Church Harvest Concert - 7.30pm (page 4)
- 9th - Generations at Ebenezer - From 2.45pm
- 10th - Bethlehem Film Night - From 6pm (page 3)
- 13th - Bethlehem Methodist Church Council - 7.30pm
- 13th - St Martin Methodist Church Council - 7.30pm
- 20th - Messy Vintage at Philadelphie Methodist Centre - 2.30pm to 4.30pm
- 23rd to 25th - Ignite Circuit Ceebration Weekend (page 12)
- 27th - St Aubin Methodist Church Council - 7.30pm
- 28th - Georgetown Methodist Church Council - 10.30am
- 30th - Friday Reset at St Aubin's Methodist Church - From 5.30pm
- 31st - Messy Knit & Natter at Philadelphie Methodist Centre - 3pm to 5pm

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