

Welcome to Chepstow Methodist Church



A Worshipping Church
at the Heart of the
Community

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CHURCH NOTICES - 15TH FEBRUARY 2026

OUR MINISTER IS REV IAN GRIFFITHS

If you have any concerns, personal or church related, please contact Ian by phone (01291 497874) or email (rev.ian.griffiths@gmail.com)

Please note that Friday is usually his day off, so he may not respond until he is back in the office.



If you have anything to share with the Church Family via these notices, please contact Hilary Collins by email: admin@chepstowmethodist.wales (by 6pm, Wednesday)



WORSHIP ON SUNDAY MORNINGS



We extend a warm welcome to ALL who join us in our Morning Worship and, if you are able to, to stay afterwards for a cup/mug of tea/coffee (sometimes even cake!!) - we would love to get to know you in a relaxed atmosphere.

This Sunday, 15th February - our **10.30am Morning Worship** (in Church/on Zoom/recorded) will be a Local Arrangement, led by members of our Church Family

Also, at 5.00pm, Rev Keith Town and Beryl Quinlan will lead our **Wholeness & Healing Service (ONLY in Church)**

Next Sunday, 22nd February - our **10.30am Morning Worship** (in Church/on Zoom/recorded) will be led by Richard Clayton

Ash Wednesday Service, on **Wednesday 18th February, 7.30pm (ONLY in Church)** will be led by Rev Bethany Willers

For those who prefer to worship from home, most services will also be live on Zoom (see Zoom link below), with a recording later posted on YouTube and our Church website:

<https://chepstowmethodist.org.uk/keeping-in-touch/podcast-videos/>

ZOOM - you will be held in a 'Waiting Room' prior to being able to access the service. NOTE: For practical/technical reasons, we can only admit people BEFORE the Service starts.

Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/96959863156?pwd=O8apr7xq1Jfb9q8yy4d0lmHapB31k6.1>

Meeting ID: 969 5986 3156

Passcode: 905885

For those without the Internet, you can join the service in audio through your **phone** by dialling any of the numbers below; entering the Meeting ID followed by the # key, followed by the Passcode and once again the # key as instructed by the verbal prompts Zoom's recorded message. (Meeting ID & Passcode above)

0203 481 5237 / 0203 481 5240 / 0203 901 7895

Stewards & Assistant Stewards

Sunday 15th February	10.30am	John Giles and Graham Williamson
	5.00pm	John Giles
Sunday 22nd February	10.30am	Enid Kee and Angela Horder

In the quietness of our hearts we offer up prayers for those we care for:

Rev Ian; Hazel, Alun, Gareth, Rhys and their family as they prepare for Tony's Service of Thanksgiving; Sheena Houghton.

Father God, help us to be a church family that carries each other's burdens. We pray for those in our family who are hurting, lonely or facing difficult times. May we be quick to offer encouragement and practical help. Let our church be a place of true belonging and support.

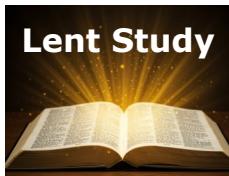
In Jesus' name, Amen



JOIN A LENT STUDY?

The Wednesday evening Bible Study will not be meeting on Wednesday 18th due to the Ash Wednesday Service. The following week (**25th**) we will be starting a **lent study** and would welcome anyone who wants to join us for that. We meet at 7.30pm (usually until about 9pm).

If you would like to find out more, contact
Cynthia Giles



Do you know anyone who is sick, bereaved or in need of a visit or flowers?
Or has moved to this area or Church?
If so, please contact *Kathy Griffin*

CHURCH STEWARDS

Our Church Stewards' responsibilities to our church cover a variety of tasks but basically fall into two categories - Practical and Pastoral.



The practical side is to ensure the building is safe for its users, prepared and ready for the services to run smoothly, making sure any visiting preachers are aware how the services run and that they have everything that they need.

The pastoral side is about getting to know people and making sure all members and visitors feel welcome. Each steward is a member of the Leadership Team which meets about 6 times a year to discuss issues or concerns relating to any aspect of our church life - fellowship and spiritual growth of CMC and its outreach to the community.

Would you **consider becoming a Church Steward**? There is no commitment to it being for a specific length of time - if you think this seems rather a daunting role to take on but you feel it could be your way of serving within our church family and want to find out more, then have a chat with *Rev Ian* or one of our current Stewards - *Stuart Nuttall, Russell Collins, John Giles, Margaret Bishop or Enid Kee*.

TONY WILLIAMS' SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

A Thanksgiving for Tony's life will take place in church on **Tuesday 24th February at 1.30pm**.



The family have asked that those attending wear bright, loud clothing.

Tony's Service is expected to be well attended - we are expecting a full church with overflow(s) out the back in the halls. The Reception will be held in the Wesley Hall + after the service. We will be serving only cakes with teas and coffees etc. and would appreciate any **help in providing cakes (homemade or bought)** for the occasion.

If you can help in any way please let *Margaret Harvey* know
Many Thanks

TAKING ACTION FOR THE PLANET

In **February** we will explore things we can do to reduce our carbon footprint



Can we use public transport more often?

Lent is just around the corner. Why not take part in **Climate Steward's Carbon Fast** to help you consider ways to live more simply, to focus on God and his creation. **Sign up opposite for a weekly email during Lent**

[https://
climatestewards.org/
resources/low-carbon
-living/](https://climatestewards.org/resources/low-carbon-living/)

POSTAGE STAMPS FOR RNIB

Just to say a very big 'Thank You' to every one who has given me postage stamps to send to the RNIB. A large envelope has been sent.

I collect the stamps through out the year, so please continue to put them into the box in the Church Foyer and when there is enough, I will send them off.

Thank You
Joy Wilson



BEACON CLOSURE

Due to Tony Williams' Thanksgiving Service and holiday commitments, Beacon Café will be **CLOSED** for the **week beginning Monday 23rd February** and will **OPEN** again on **Monday 2nd March**.



WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP GROUP...

....next meets this coming **Wednesday, 18th February**, at **2.30pm**, when **Hilary Collins'** talk is entitled '**A Millionaire in Vietnam**' - she will share photos and experiences following her holiday in Vietnam and Cambodia.

Please do join us for a time of Fellowship



Diary Dates

for Week Beginning 15th February

Day	Event	Time	Other Info
Sunday 15th	Morning Worship	10.30am	Led by Members of our Church Family
	Wholeness & Healing	5.00pm	Led by Rev Keith Town & Beryl Quinlan
Monday 16th	Beacon Café	9.30am - 3.00pm	
	Babies & Toddlers	10.00 - 11.30am	
Tuesday 17th	Beacon Café	9.30am - 3.00pm	
	Babies & Toddlers	10.00 - 11.30am	
	Housegroup	10.30am	Contact Joy Wilson
Wednesday 18th	Beacon Café	9.30am - 3.00pm	
	Babies & Toddlers	10.00 - 11.30am	
	Wednesday Fellowship	2.30 - 4.00pm	See Opposite
	BB	Half Term - NOT meeting this week	
	Ash Wednesday Service	7.30pm	Led by Rev Bethany Willers
	Housegroup	7.30pm	NOT meeting this week (See Page 3)
Thursday 19th	Bible Study (on Zoom) 9.30 - 10.30am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86227480080 Meeting ID = 869 0518 0276		Continuing the study of the gospel of Matthew from ch 27 v 57 Contact Keith Town
	Warm&Cosy@CMC	10.00 - 12.00noon	
Friday 20th	Church Walking Group	Meet at 9.30am	See opposite
	Warm&Cosy@CMC	10.00 - 12.00noon	



CHURCH WALKING GROUP

February's walk is **THIS coming Friday, 20th February**. As the snowdrops are out, Gordon Casson has kindly offered to lead this walk.

The walk will start from Gordon & Vivienne's house (address below) at 10.00am. We will walk down an old lane to Whitebrook, then onto a footpath to follow the stream, hopefully with plenty of snowdrops. We will then cut back to Pen y Fan, which is very steep, but mainly on a surfaced road plus some steps. It's not rough underfoot. We will then return to Gordon & Vivienne's house via Manor Wood.

Address is Musbury, The Narth, Monmouth NP25 4QH, but don't follow the postcode once in the village. There should be enough people who came last time to remember the house. Gordon is not sure he can fit everyone in the house, but we can have a cuppa outside if the weather allows it!

As usual, please meet at 9.30am at the Chepstow Leisure Centre to car share so there is room on Gordon's drive.

If you would like to find out more about this walk, or generally about the Church Walking Group, speak to *Stuart Nuttal*



Church Cleaning - Week Beginning 16th February

Mair & Richard Liddell



Coffee Rota Sunday 22nd February

Margaret Bishop & Angie Middleton