

## Welcome to Chepstow Methodist Church



A Worshipping Church  
at the Heart of the  
Community



[www.chepstowmethodist.org.uk](http://www.chepstowmethodist.org.uk)

Charity No. 1130776

### CHURCH NOTICES - 3RD MAY 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](mailto:rev.ian.griffiths@gmail.com))

*Please note that Friday is usually Ian's 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](mailto:admin@chepstowmethodist.wales)



## WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

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



**This Sunday, 3rd May** - our **10.30am Sunday Worship & Holy Communion (in Church/on Zoom/recorded)** will be led by Rev Ian Griffiths.

**Next Sunday, 10th May** - our **10.30am Sunday Worship (in Church/on Zoom/recorded)** will be led by Rev Preben Andersen

For those who prefer to worship from home, most services will also be live on Zoom (see Zoom link below), with a recording posted later on 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=O8apr7xq1Jfb9q8yy4dolmHapB31k6.1>

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 3rd May	Russell Collins and Graham Williamson
Sunday 10th May	Margaret Bishop and Margaret Harvey

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

Rev Ian (& Tabitha) as he continues a phased return to his ministry amongst us; Sarah Foster (& Chris) as she recuperates following a recent operation.

Dear God,  
This week I pray for members of my Church Family.  
You know their needs like no one else knows.  
You know the ones with secret pain, worries and fears.  
You are also aware of the loneliness some are feeling right now.  
I pray you will comfort them. Bless them and heal them everywhere they hurt. Refill them with your strength and restore their hope.

In Jesus' Name. Amen



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*

**THANK YOU**

Thank you for all the cards and good wishes we received for our 50th Wedding Anniversary from all our friends at CMC. Your continued love and support is an excellent example of what it means to be part of the Christian Family that is Chepstow Methodist Church.



Love and Blessings  
*Allan & Deborah Strange*



**CHEPSTOW FOODBANK**

In the last year, our 2 distribution centres have fed 1595 people!

The Chepstow community has always been/is very generous, enabling our foodbank to provide bags of nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to us in crisis. However, alongside the food items that are generously donated, **at least £500** is being spent at Tesco **every week** to maintain satisfactory levels of stock.

We realise that food prices have risen massively but, if you are able to donate just one or two items, we would be very grateful. Food collection points are at Tesco/M&S/Lidl and there is also a box in the back foyer. Items needed:

Tinned Vegetables	Longlife Milk	Tea/Coffee
Tinned Meat	Jam/Marmalade	Fruit Juice
Tinned Fish	Cooking Sauces	Squash
Tinned Fruit	Pot/Instant Noodles	Rice
Custard /Rice Pudding		
Washing Powder	Washing Up Liquid	Toilet Paper
Shower Gel/Shampoo	Toothbrushes/Paste	Deodorant

If you have any questions/would like to find out more, please speak to *Hilary/Russell Collins, Kev Brewer, Charlie Mann, Sue/Mike Larsen* all of whom are volunteers with our foodbank.

Thank you



## RECYCLING IN CHEPSTOW

Did you know that in Boots, Chepstow, you can recycle health, beauty and wellness items?  
(Make-up, skincare, hair care & dental)  
They also take empty vitamin & medicine blister packs



### How does it work?

**Step 1** Register on Recycle at Boots App

**Step 2** Log products and bring to store

**Step 3** Scan the QR code on the bin

**You will then receive extra points when you spend £5 (blister packs) or £10 (health & beauty) in Boots.**

## Diary Dates for Week Beginning 3rd May

### COME AND SING!

Come and learn a new song, called "Come, Holy Spirit", to perform in the Whitsun Service on **Sunday 24th May**.

**Rehearsals** continue weekly in church, **7.00pm**, until 18th May.

For more information, speak to *Janet Ellard*





### GENERAL CHURCH MEETING Thursday 14th May, 7.30pm

The General Church Meeting that was postponed now has a new date - **Thursday 14th May, 7.30pm**.

The meeting is **OPEN to Everyone involved with Chepstow Methodist Church and...we WANT EVERYONE to be involved!**

All documents (group reports etc) will be emailed to every Church member during the course of the week beginning 4th May. Hard copies will be available in church for those not on the email list/would prefer a hard copy.



	Church Cleaning - Week Beginning 4th May	Sandy Dickson & Pauline Davies
	Coffee Rota Sunday 10th May	Elena Johnson & Rosemary Davies

Day	Event	Time	Other Info
Sunday 3rd	Morning Worship & Holy Communion	10.30am	Led by Rev Ian Griffiths
Monday 4th <b>Bank Holiday</b>	Beacon Café	9.30am - 3.00pm	<b>NOT open today</b>
	Babies & Toddlers	10.00 - 11.30am	<b>NOT meeting today</b>
	Come and Sing Rehearsal	7.00pm	See Opposite
Tuesday 5th	Beacon Café	9.30am - 3.00pm	
	Babies & Toddlers	10.00 - 11.30am	
	Housegroup	10.30am	Contact Joy Wilson
Wednesday 6th	Beacon Café	9.30am - 3.00pm	
	Babies & Toddlers	10.00 - 11.30am	
	Housegroup	2.00 - 3.30pm	Contact Sue Larsen
	BB - Anchors	5.30 - 6.45pm	
	BB - Juniors	6.30 - 8.00pm	
	BB - Company Section will meet again later in the term Places available in all sections. Contact Mark Lloyd <a href="mailto:mloydabc@btinternet.com/07768160564">mloydabc@btinternet.com/07768160564</a>		
	Housegroup	7.30pm	Contact Cynthia Giles
Thursday 7th	Bible Study (on Zoom) 9.30 - 10.30am  <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86905180276">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86905180276</a>  Meeting ID = 869 0518 0276		Continuing studying the book of Isaiah from Ch 30 v 12 Contact Keith Town
	Warm&Cosy@CMC	10.00 - 12.00noon	
Friday 8th	Warm&Cosy@CMC	10.00 - 12.00noon	