



TEWKESBURY & APPERLEY METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

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A prayer for Christlike humility

Grant us, O Lord, your rock for our shelter, your wounds for our sanctuary, your pathway for our safety, your lowliness for our soul and your cleansing for our heart. Amen.

Susannah Design, Bristol Methodist Band Leader
(c. 1740)

We send love and blessings to those amongst our church family and beyond who are suffering illness, loss or loneliness at this time. Our prayers are with you.

Love and warm greetings to all our friends who are unable to get to church – you are still very much part of our church family.

Sunday 23rd August

Tewkesbury

10.30am – Songs of Praise.

Apperley

11.00am – Revd. Carrie Seaton

Sunday 30th August

Tewkesbury

10.30am – Revd. Carrie Seaton

THIS WEEK AT TEWKESBURY

Friday 28th August

2.30pm – Choir practice, check if running

6.30pm – Methodist Players rehearsal

Saturday 29th August

10.30am – Coffee Morning

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

Unfortunately there will be no mid-week Communion Service, due to start on Wednesday 2nd September 2026, or for the foreseeable future.

The Stewards will review a start date and let folk know.

THE METHODIST PRAYER HANDBOOK

2026/27 is now available to order. It's a great accompaniment for daily prayer and bible study. There is a large print version available at the same price. The initial cost is £4.99 plus postage and I'm hoping by ordering a quantity we may get a discount..

Please see Dorothy to order your copy.

IMPORTANT

COFFEE ROTAS – Saturday and Sunday

We are finding it hard to keep the church open on a Saturday morning as we have only a small team now that is able to assist.

If you can volunteer an occasional Saturday – maybe a family member would be willing to help out? – it would be greatly appreciated.

Also, if you can assist with serving coffee after our Sunday service, please sign the appropriate Rota. Many thanks.

CHURCH AWAY-DAY - I hope that everyone who attended our Section Churches Away Day at Holland House recently enjoyed the experience. I would like to rebook for 2027 (dates get booked up very early), if there is sufficient interest.

Do please let me have your views and any suggestions - feedback is appreciated!

Thank you. Jean Davies

DIARY DATES

Saturday 12th September 2026

10.30am There will be a open meeting to discuss ideas for the Christmas Fair and Exhibition.

All are welcome

Sunday 20th September 2026

12.30pm Harvest Lunch

More details to follow

Sunday 4th October 2026

There will be no Breakfast Club

PTO

PRAYER GROUP

We have a supportive and caring prayer group at our church who continues to pray for those both in the church family and the community about whom they have been notified. Please write any special requests for prayer in the book in the church, but please have the recipient's permission to do so.

PASTORAL – please let me know of any of our church family who are unwell or need some support. Our outreach worker, Jan, will be working in maintaining contact with all our church family. Jean Davies

TEWKESBURY CHURCHES TOGETHER Sunday 30th August 2026 at 10.00am

'Service on the Green' on Twynning Green

The theme of the service will be 'Serving our local Community' and is an ecumenical service shared between Twynning Chapel and Saint Mary's Twynning. Father Nick, from Tewkesbury Abbey will be preaching.

GREEN GROUP ISSUES –

Next meeting
5th September

ECO CALENDAR

AUGUST

Looking after wildlife in the heat. Times of drought and dryness can be dangerous for wildlife. Provide water for birds and insects put a dish of water out to help wildlife stay hydrated. Insects, small mammals, birds, and even badgers, foxes, and deer could benefit. A stone in a plant saucer helps bees to perch and drink without drowning. These small actions make a big difference and are just some of the ways we can live out our calling to care for God's creation.

arochoa.org.uk/looking-after-wildlife-in-the-heat/



GREEN WAY OF LIFE

Rejoice – Take delight in creation, God's free gift to us. This is all that we need for our own fulfilment.

Say a prayer of thanks before each meal.
Enjoy your own local patch of nature.

Refuse – Refuse to believe what the adverts say. You are no less a person because you don't have this gadget or have not been to that exotic place.

Always wait at least 24 hours before buying something you have seen in an advert. Have regular off-line days to avoid the adverts and images on social media.

Reduce – By reducing our impact on the planet, could we also reduce our levels of stress and anxiety? We can buy less, travel less, and put less pressure on ourselves to have that perfect home and ever active life. Have one day a week on which you buy nothing. It is OK to say you cannot do something because you need a quiet day with the family.

LARGE PRINT – if you are unable to read the words on the screen and the large print hymn books are not suitable for you, please see one of the stewards so we can ensure large print copies are available.

DID YOU KNOW.....?
Sunday 23rd August

On the night of 22 to 23 August 1791, in Saint Domingue, today the Republic of Haiti, saw the beginning of the uprising that would play a crucial role in the **abolition** of the transatlantic slave trade. It is against this



background that the *International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition* is commemorated on 23 August

each year. It was first celebrated in a number of countries, in particular in Haiti (23 August 1998) and Gorée Island in Senegal (23 August 1999). Source <https://www.unesco.org/en/days/slave-trade-remembrance>

NOTICES FOR SEPTEMBER will be prepared by Jean Davies jed0606@yahoo.com or 01684 772178 - The deadline is 4.30pm on Thursday.