



TEWKESBURY & APPERLEY METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

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A prayer that our lives be offered to God

We offer you our hands, O Lord, to do your work; our lips to sing your praise; our life to proclaim your glory and our heart to serve you in our neighbour; for Jesu's sake. Amen.

Hildegard of Bingen (1098-1179)

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 16th August

Tewkesbury

10.30am – Mr. Andrew Maxwell

Sunday 23rd August

Tewkesbury

9.15am – Praise & Worship

10.30am – Songs of Praise.

Apperley

11.00am – Revd. Carrie Seaton

THIS WEEK AT TEWKESBURY

Friday 21st August

2.30pm – Choir practice, check if running

6.30pm – Methodist Players rehearsal

Saturday 22nd August

10.30am – Coffee Morning

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION – this will recommence on Wednesday 2nd September.

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.

DIARY DATE

SONGS OF PRAISE AT TEWKESBURY

Sunday 23rd August

Please see one of the Stewards and take a voting slip to write your favourite STF hymn and return it to the box.

In addition to our favourite hymns, we shall be including some of our favourite bible readings. If anyone would particularly like to be a reader for this service can you please let me or one of the stewards know by **Sunday 16th August** latest please. Jean Davies

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

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 Twyning Green

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

GREEN GROUP ISSUES –

Next meeting
12th 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

Recycle – Recycling should be the last resort. Recycling does reduce the rate in which we use natural resources but it still uses a lot of energy for transporting and processing the items. Complete the loop by buying items made from recycled materials.

Repair – Look after your stuff and keep hold of the old skills of sewing and repairing. Use the Repair Cafe on the third Saturday of each month and donate old furniture to charities which teach people refurbishing skills.
Invest in a sewing kit and a good tube of super glue.

Reuse – Replace the convenience of single use and disposable items with the love of something that can be reused for months or years. Don't forget your travel mug. Use washable nappies. Use charity shops and give-away groups.

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 16th August at 2.00pm is World Hand Clap Day.

World Clap Day is a global event happening on August 16, 2026. At one exact coordinated moment, people all around the world will clap their hands for one second.

Just one simple, universal action done together.

The goal is not noise. The goal is **unity**.

Through the simplest action possible, we prove that billions of different people can synchronize, not because of tragedy or crisis, but simply to celebrate existence!

<https://worldclapday.com/our-mission>

NOTICES FOR AUGUST will be prepared by Adrian Shelley– adandgillshelley@gmail.com or 01684 297411 - The deadline is 4.30pm on Thursday.