### Jersey **Methodist Circuit**

### Newsletter July 2025



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## Prayer for the Week: July

### Week commencing 6th July

Heavenly Father, open our eyes to the new opportunities that July brings. Help us to recognize and seize them with confidence. May we use these opportunities to grow closer to You and to serve others. Amen.





### Week commencing 13th July

Dear God, grant us the strength to face new challenges this month. Fill our hearts with courage and determination, grant us the strength to face the challenges that come our way. Help us to stand firm in our faith and to trust in Your power to overcome any obstacle. Amen

### Week commencing 20th July

Dear God, renew our hope and lift our spirits this July. Help us to see the light in the darkness and to find comfort in Your everlasting love. Amen.





### Week commencing 27th July

Lord, we thank You for the countless blessings You have bestowed upon us. Help us to cultivate grateful hearts and to recognize Your hand in every good thing. May our gratitude bring us closer to You. Amen. **EXPLORING LABYRINTHS** 



A labyrinth offers a gentle, winding journey to its centre, inviting us to explore our paths in life. An ensuring symbol of our life journeys, they comprise of spiraling, symmetrical purposeful paths that invite us to engage physically, walking "sole to the "soul with our feet.

Have you walked a labyrinth yet? Labyrinths are found in hospitals, hospices, schools, universities, churches and cathedrals for relaxation, mindfulness and contemplation. They help calm anxieties, restore balance, enhance creativity, encourage selfreflection and alleviate stress.

Other benefits include: Generating new insights and promoting well-being, improved clarity focus and calmness, embracing the practice of letting go and living one day, one step at a time as well as many more.

If you are interested in walking a labyrinth and learning more, pop along, everyone is welcome!

### DATES

- 31/07/25 @ 2pm (HW 1114 LW 1744)
- 07/08/25 @ 10.30am (HW 0553 LW 1226)
- 04/09/25 @ 11am (LW 1109 HW 1705)
- 18/09/25 @ 11am (LW 1124 HW 1713)

### LOCATION



St Brelade's Bay beach (far left hand side just past the last slipway

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Please note: If there is inclement weather (rain and/or very strong winds), the event will be cancelled on that day. GEORGETOWN METHODIST CHURCH

THURSDAY NIGHT IS MUSIC NIGHT THURSDAY 24 JULY, 7.30PM

## Summer Concert

## • STAFF & STUDENTS of the JERSEY ACADEMY OF MUSIC

No tickets required, retiring collection ALL ARE WELCOME



No one in the Monday Group remembers more than 5 seconds quiet at a meeting before – but then no one had tried silk painting! Rev Dawn shared out templates painstakingly piped on to pieces of white silk stretched across embroidery hoops to look like stained glass window panes. Cries of "I'm not artistic" were ignored as the ladies mixed and dipped their specialist paint on fine brushes on to the silk. Even Albi, Rev Dawn's 3 year old grandson, completed a picture for his Mum.





The concentration was so intense a unique silence descended! The only conversation was to appreciate and compliment each other's combination of colours.

All the ladies proudly took home their silk painting hoop and smaller ones were painted and then mounted as gift cards to be sent to Georgetown members who were in their hearts.

It was a truly delightful afternoon, made easy by all the preparations by Rev Dawn and Donna Rault, the new Circuit Administrator. "Gone but repeatable" – hopefully!

(Photos: Sheila Birch)



# "WRITE THE LIGHT"

### Write an icon of The Transfiguration - Climbing Mount Tabour

Take part in this special retreat, where you will be guided by the local iconographer, Karen Blampied, in this spiritual journey of writing your icon.



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### 04-08 AUG 2025

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9.30AM TO 4.40PM EACH DAY

Only 10 spaces available. All materials are included in the cost of the course, with the exception of each participant required to bring 3 paintbrushes. For more information or to book your space, please contact Donna at circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com.

## HIRING

### POSITION: PART TIME YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORKER

Ebenezer has an exciting job opportunity for a part time youth and community worker, beginning in September.

The role comprises working 4 hours per week on a Friday, term time only. It involves supporting our 'Community Worker' in the running of Pickles Playgroup, Pickles Plus kids club and Generations inter-generational sessions.

We are looking for someone enthusiastic, confident, warm and friendly. A good sense of humour, the ability to form positive relationships with both adults and children, and a willingness to 'muck in' are a must.

Experience working with Early Years children would be a bonus.

For more information please email picklesplaygroup@gmail.com

CLOSING DATE WEDNESDAY 16TH JULY 2025.

## Liberation Day Service at Bethesda

Some beautiful photos from Bethesda's Liberation day service that unfortunately didn't make it in on time for last months newsletter, but we weren't going to miss including in this months.



## AND THEY HEARD the VOICE OF THE LORD GOD Walking

IN THE GARDEN IN THE COOL OF THE DAY. GENESIS 3:8

### Jersey Association for Retreats

Our next Quiet Day will be held at the Oasis of Peace, St Lawrence on Saturday 12th July. We are delighted that Methodist Local Preacher, Helen Higginson, will be leading the day for us. Her theme is 'Come Walk with God in the Garden'. The day will start at 9.30am with Register and coffee and close at 4pm. The cost is £25.00 to include lunch and use of resources. Please advise of any special dietary requirements.

Booking is required and payment in advance please, either by cheque made payable to Jersey Association for Retreats and sent to the treasurer, Silver Sands (Pontac), La Grande Route de la Cote, St Clement, JE2 6FU or direct to our bank account (Lloyds Bank, a/c Jersey Association for Retreats, sort code 77-47-01 a/c number 77197868). Please let us know by email that you have paid via the bank.

We look forward to seeing you on the 12th, hopefully the weather will be fine and we can enjoy the garden.

Generations

The Generations session on June the 13<sup>th</sup> saw a change in musical accompaniment with Catherine and Daphne joining and playing for the community singing sections.

In the photo to the left you can see Catherine on the keyboard and Daphne with her piano accordion. This new accompaniment was thoroughly enjoyed by all and was very kind of them both to offer and give Audrey, who would normally play, a break from playing.

For the last session of the term ([photographed below) on July 4<sup>th,</sup> the group partook in their normal quiz after the singing. The new guests from Cheval Roc were keen to have this again and Amy made it easy for everyone to get involved! She set all the 11 questions so that answers for each of these questions had the beginning first letter from the sessions name:

G... e... n... e.. r.. a.. t ..i ..o ..n.. s ...

Generations will be back after the school summer holidays. Individuals and care home groups welcomed. For further information please contact Amy Britton on 07797 769186.

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### **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME & ASSISI**

LEDBYFRROBERT HARRIS



### Monday 13 - Monday 20 October 2025



### Information

GroundPackage price: £1280 (based on 20 paying pax) Single rooms £285 pp / Travel Insurance TBA Flights will be extra - price to be advised Package includes: 4 nights stay in Rome on half board basis 3 nights stay in Assisi on half board basis Transfer bycoachfromRomeAirport

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1 x 1/2 day coaching tour in Rome area & Vatican Museum tour  $1 \times 1/2$  day guided walking tour of Assisi

Visits also toGreccio, LaVerna, Lake Trasimeno Deposit: £100 per person Second Deposit: £200 plus insurance premium Price of insurancetobe advisedFormsand

deposits to be sent directly to Tangney Tours

For further information and a booking form please contact: Rev. Robert Harris email: robdharris57@gmail.com OR

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### CIRCUIT DIARY FOR THE NEXT MONTH:

#### WEEKLY EVENTS:

- Monday: 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:

### July:

- 10<sup>th</sup> Thursday Night is Music Night at Georgetown 7.30pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit Beach Service and Picnic at Greve de Lecq 10.30am
- 14<sup>th</sup> Messy Bears at Philadelphie
- 15<sup>th</sup> Messy Vintage at Philadelphie 2.30pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> Circuit Meeting via Zoom at 7.30pm
- 24<sup>th</sup> Thursday Night is Music Night at Georgetown 7.30pm
- 31<sup>st</sup> Come and Explore a Labyrinth at St Brelade's Bay From 2.00pm

#### August:

- 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> "Write the Light" Icon Writing Retreat
- 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit Stewards MEeting 7.30pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> Thursday Night is Music Night at Georgetown 7.30pm
- 7<sup>th</sup> Come and Explore a Labyrinth at St Brelade's Bay From 10.30am

Remember to also check out the Circuit calendar on the Circuit website for a collection of all events happening across the circuit. If you want to have an event added, just email the circuit administrator with details of the event (circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com).