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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

OUR MISSION

To build confident faith in God, to encourage Christian growth and
to strengthen community life in Jersey



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PRAYER FOR THE WEEK: NOVEMBER

WEEK COMMENCING 3RD NOVEMBER

God of beginnings, Today's a new day, a chance for a new start. Yesterday is gone and with it any regrets, mistakes, or failures I may have experienced. It's a good day to be glad and give thanks, and I do. Thank you for today, a new opportunity to love, give, and be all that you want me to be. Amen.

WEEK COMMENCING 10TH NOVEMBER

God of all comfort, we remember in humble gratitude all those who have given their lives in war, and we pray for all who still live with the physical and mental scars of combat. We pray for places around the world where war is still a daily reality. Draw near to all who mourn loved ones, and strengthen all who work for peace. Lord, in your mercy, heal and restore. Amen

WEEK COMMENCING 17TH NOVEMBER

Oh Lord, as we rise to meet each new day, please let us be filled with Your spirit. Wherever we go, let us spread love, joy, peace, goodness, and faithfulness. Let us desire to become more like you and to worship you in all we do. Amen

WEEK COMMENCING 3RD NOVEMBER

Almighty God, you fill all things with your presence. In your great love, keep us near you today, help us to listen to your voice above the worldly noise. Lord teach us how to listen and respond to others with your love and compassion. Amen



HARVEST SERVICES ACROSS THE ISLAND

Not all churches had had their Harvest service at the time of printing our last newsletter, so to carry on the Harvest news....



St Ouen (Sunday 6th October)

Plenty of food and beautiful flowers were displayed throughout the Church in celebration.





HARVEST SERVICES CONTINUED



Georgetown (Sunday 13th October)

Last but certainly not least, we have Georgetown.

Georgetown members donated a wide range of toiletries which were warmly received by Karina from FREEDA (formerly Jersey Women's Refuge).



The food items were sent to Grace Trust, who thanked us "for giving sensible food that we can use...Still a lot of lonely folk out there, who need a little encouragement and to know that people do still care. Georgetown has shown this in providing through a practical response to the community."



The Rainbows and Brownies made numerous bee decorations which flew on to the window panes, were suspended around the church and lurked among plants and we enjoyed their fact filled display.



This eye-catching little pink bicycle captured everyone's attention, lovingly decorated with all manner of flowers and more bees with a lucky Peter Rabbit enjoying the ride on the back! Carefully coloured in pictures of bicycles further decorated the church windows and glass doors.



**First African Bicycle Information Organization (FABIO),
Uganda (www.allwecan.org.uk/partner/first-african-bicycle-information-organisation-fabio/)**



BLACK BUTTER MAKING AT ST MARTIN

The annual Black Butter making took place again this year, with apple peeling in the Church Hall on Friday 11th October and then stirring going right through to Saturday 12th at Les Prés Manor.



Lots of community fun was had and potting was well under way by midday on Saturday, with an amazing 422 pots produced. The team were delighted to have Rev Keith sharing the whole process for the first time and even producing a short video of the occasion, which can be seen on the St Martin's Methodist Church Facebook Page.

Happy Birthday

It was an absolute joy to welcome Doreen Perchard and some of her family and friends from Maison La Corderie to Coffee Buzz to celebrate her 99th birthday on Wednesday 23rd October.



She enjoyed her favorite 'coffee cake' and gave Roy the 'thumbs up' when he sang some hymns for her.

We wish you many more Happy Birthdays Doreen.



The Performing Arts Festival starts on Sunday 10th until Sunday 17th November at Chateau Vermont and the Arts Centre. On Sunday 17th November, there are also competitive classes for folk song and oratorio vocal solos at St Martin's Methodist Church, starting at 2 pm until about 4.30 pm and then again at 7 pm. Four local choirs will compete for the Stanley Sackett trophy for sacred music.

Everyone is invited to go come and enjoy the diverse programmes sung by Musical Originals, Les Conteurs, Musical Originals Training Choir and Amity.

The team are excited to bring the music classes back to the parishes and thank the stewards of St Martin's Methodist for their kindness and guidance in organising this event.

There will be a retiring collection.

Annual Missions Lunch

St Martins Hall (behind Chapel)
November 16th, 12-2pm

Soup, Cheese, Desserts, Tea & Coffee

Bring & Buy Stall

No need to pre-book, tickets at the door.



WOLFGANG AMADEUS MOZART REQUIEM



Jersey Chamber Choir
and JCC Orchestra

Remembrance Day Concert
Sunday 10th November
5:30 pm

St Luke's Church, La Route du Fort

Advance tickets available now from
choir.je

Come and join us

Advent Courses

Held at Ebenezer
2.30-3.30pm

26th November "Watch"

With Rev. Keith Sandow

3rd December "Prepare"

With Helen Higginson

10th December "Act "

With Rev. Peter Goodhall

17th December "Rejoice"

With Rev. Keith Sandow

Any queries please get in
touch with Helen:

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FEAST OF TABERNACLES AT BETHLEHEM



Taking place across three days (Friday 18th of October to Sunday 20th October), the Feast of Tabernacles at Bethlehem was a joyous occasion, with special guests Jonathan Croft, John Perkins and Dance presentations with the Hatikva dancers



GENERATIONS

Giving children and older people the opportunity to enjoy time together; forging friendships, learning from one another and making memories.



During each session all ages will enjoy games, puzzles, building, craft, colouring and conversation.



Generations will be meeting at Ebenezer Church, Route d'Ebenezer, Trinity, from 2.45pm on 8th November and 6th December 2024. All welcome. Further information available from Amy Britton on 07797 769186.



Messy Church re-opened for the new academic year with a very encouraging seventeen young enthusiasts attending with parents and grandparents to support. The theme was Bible Seaside with everything from Lim-Pets (shell animals), mosaics, sand pictures boats floating in a 'jelly sea' to making models of a 'Jesus Boat'. This was followed in October with an equally well attended session when the theme was about Joshua and the remarkable victory over Jericho through his faith in God.



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CIRENCESTER 20-21 MAY '25
WYDALE HALL 24-25 SEPT '25

£300 / or £150*
*including Methodist bursary

Book online:

www.tinyurl.com/RMMC25

Rural Mission & Ministry Course – bookings are now open with dates & new venues for 2025.

For anyone in need of a rural refresher or considering a move to rural.
50% bursary for all lay/ordained Methodists.

Further information & booking form here: www.tinyurl.com/RMMC25

BETHLEHEM FILM NIGHT

Bethlehem
Methodist Church,
St Mary

9th November showing
One Life

6.00 p.m. for meal
7.30 pm for Film

EVERYONE WELCOME



Please let Dianne know by the
6th November, if you are
coming for the meal.
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CIRCUIT DIARY FOR THE NEXT MONTH:

WEEKLY EVENTS:

- Monday: Drop in at St Aubin's Methodist Church - 1pm to 4pm
- 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

November:

- 5th - Messy Church at Philadelphie - 3.30pm to 5.30pm
- 8th November - Generations at Ebenezer from 2.45pm
- 8th - Remembrance event of words and music at St Martin's Methodist Church 7.30pm to 8.45pm
- 9th - Bethlehem Film Night - From 6pm
- 10th - Remembrance Day Concert - Mozart Requiem at St Luke's Church - 5.30pm
- 13th - Circuit Steward's Meeting - 7.30pm
- 14th - District Policy Committee Meeting - 7.30pm
- 16th - Annual Missions Lunch - St Martin's Methodist Church
- 19th - Gathering for Church & Circuit Property Secretaries etc. - 7.30pm
- 21st - Messy Church: Pets & Peace at St Martin's Methodist Church - 3.30pm to 5.30pm
- 23rd - Christmas Sale at St Aubin's Methodist Church - 12.00am
- 26th - Advent Course at Ebenezer - 2.30pm

December:

- 3rd Advent Course at Ebenezer - 2.30pm
- 3rd - Circuit Leadership Team Meeting - 7.30pm
- 6th - Generations at Ebenezer - 2.45pm



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.

ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN THE NEWSLETTER?

Please do get in touch if there are any events, stories or general information that you feel would be good to share with the rest of the circuit (circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com).

