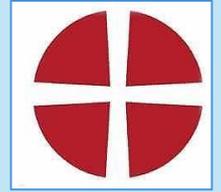


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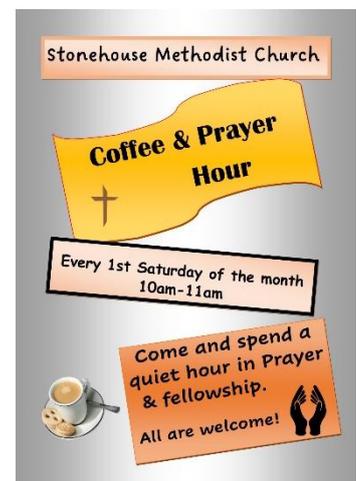
8th March 2026

Preacher - Arthur Haines

Duty Steward - Sue Alexander

SATURDAY 7th MATCH

**Coffee & Prayer Hour in the Church - Everyone is
welcome! 10 am - 11 am!**



Thursday 12th March - Church Council Meeting at 2.30 pm in the Walker Room!

This meeting is open to 'Everyone', not just church council members - Everyone! Please read the reports before the meeting to save time!

All church groups, please ensure a report is sent to the Church Council Secretary (robertgriddell3@gmail.com) so it can be circulated before the meeting, saving time on the day! Thankyou!!



Friday 13th March - The Social Events group will meet in the Walker Room at 2.00pm! Everyone is welcome as we plan our church social calendar - Come on, folks, bring your ideas, don't just leave it to just a few!



Caring for God's Creation



Monday 16th March - Eco Church Team meeting at 2.30 pm in the Walker room - Everyone is welcome!!!

WELCOME STEWARDS NEEDED - URGENT!



We all know how important it is to feel welcome as we enter the church each Sunday.

At the recent Worship & Mission meeting, it was decided that we need a dedicated team of 'Welcomers' at SMC. The stewards would like to hear from anyone who feels they could be part of such a team on a rota basis.

When we have a list of names, we will have a get-together with Revd. Jimmy will discuss everything involved, including what an appropriate welcome is and which forms *need to be completed*.

Please speak to a steward as soon as possible, please!

Church Council Thursday

12th March at 2.30pm

A reminder that all reports need to be with Robbie **ASAP**



C h u r c h C a l e n d a r

Monday 9 th March	Monday School Run Welcome Coffee	8.00am- 9.30am	Church Car Park
Thursday 12 th March	Church Council	<u>2.30pm</u>	Walker Room
Friday 13 th March	Social Events Meeting	2.00pm	Walker Room
Sunday 15 th March	Morning Worship – Holy Communion Mothering Sunday	10.30am	Revd Jimmy Cullingford
Monday 16 th March	Monday School Run Welcome Coffee	8.00am- 9.30am	Church Car Park
Monday 16 th March	Eco Church Team Meeting	2.30pm	Walker Room
Thursday 19 th March	Fellowship and Bible Study	7.30pm- 9.00pm	25 Guildings Way Kings Stanley



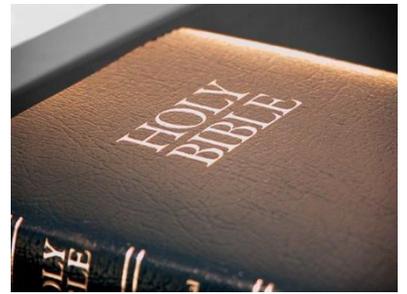
Our Annual Big Brew for Transform Trade's 40th Anniversary was on Saturday 28th February. Thank you to all those who helped and supported this event. Lots of pancakes were made, flipped and eaten as well as yummy cakes. Stella's Raffle did well and we raised £135 to help fund producers around the world who are transforming their communities through fairer trade.



Cherry Trees Bible Study

The next date for bible study will be on

Monday, 16th. March, John Ch.18,



Bristol District Service - Midsomer Norton

There was a joyful celebration of God's creation at the Bristol District service at Midsomer Norton Methodist Church on 1st March. Ginny was invited to speak about our Gold Eco-Church efforts and we listened to the President and Vice President of the Methodist Conference encourage us in discipleship and caring for the planet, to use God's gift of creation as he intends, not how we want. Matt Forsyth, spoke from Romans 8, encouraging us to not fall into despair or denial, but to hope - Creation is waiting in hope.



Weekly Prayer Diary

Please pray for continued good and safe engagement in The Door's youth clubs.



Prayer for the Week

God of love, As we see and hear the news of the devastating violence wrought upon and within the Middle East, we hold your broken world before you in prayer, We pray for lives lost, for people who mourn, and for those living in fear.



We pray for people stranded and in need of safe routes and safe harbours. We long for peace and pray that those who wage war might exchange weapons for words. Help us to know how to pray, how to speak and how to act, that we might remember our call to follow the Prince of Peace, In whose name we pray,
Amen.

Next week our service will be led by

Rev. Jimmy Cullingford

Church Contact Details – Rev. Jimmy Cullingford (07831 406437)

Please forward all notices by Thursday evening to Chris Gummer,
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