

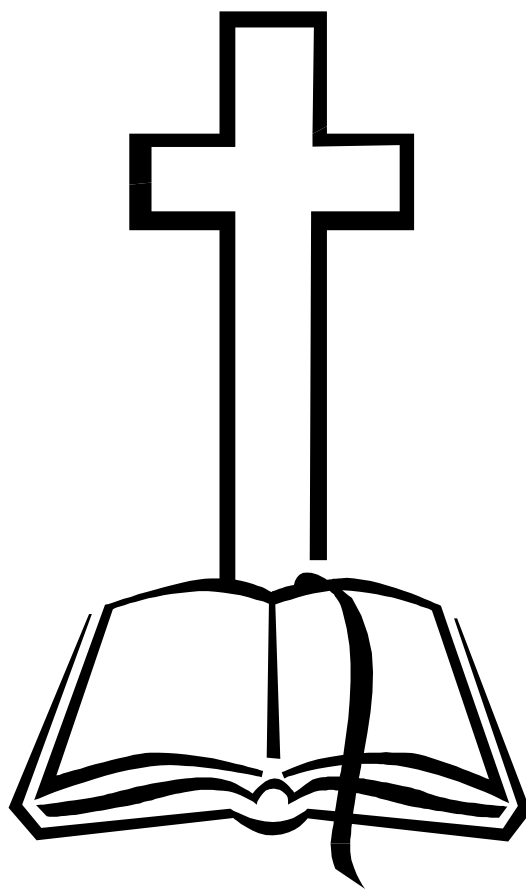


North East Somerset & Bath

Methodist Circuit

PREACHING PLAN

March - May 2018



'CHRIST HAS DIED....CHRIST IS RISEN'

SUPER'S SOAP BOX



Dear Friends,

The months of March to May are probably my favourite months for all sorts of reasons. One reason is that it's spring time....with lots of signs of new life in our gardens and countryside...especially for we walkers. In our churches there also seems to be a sense of optimism and new life too, as we emerge from the dark mornings and evenings of winter into spring with all that brings.

And this is where I climb up on to my soapbox and ask the question 'What signs of new life are evident in your church?' Now I'm not asking you to work harder or arrange more meetings and events. I'm not asking you to ignore the reality of many of our churches that we are in decline as a denomination. But one of my favourite things to do in February and March is to observe those tender new shoots of plants and flowers in the garden and marvel at the miracle that is growth and new life...it is an act of God !

So in our churches, where are we talking and hearing about answers to prayer as a sign of new life? Where are we hearing about spiritual growth in the lives of people as they give testimony to the new life God is bringing into their lives? We used to be really good as Methodists at openly speaking about such things in class meetings and worship.....I wonder why we have become so reticent in publically sharing that new life in Christ? The truth is that when someone shares such new life, it encourages others in their faith journey and they want to share too....and as a Minister it's great to just sit back and hear people sharing in this way as we see God at work.

Of course this Quarter includes the ultimate symbolism of new life, through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus. There we find the source of our hope and new life. As Peter writes in his epistle:

'Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead' (1Peter 1 v3)

So what difference will that make to us? To those of us who have been Christians for many years... to those who have only recently become Christians... and those who are still considering becoming a Christian? The death and resurrection of Jesus and the new life that this brings **should** make a difference...and not just as a 'one off' event at Easter but every time we worship and serve God....every day is Easter Day as he brings new life to us each new day!!

Enjoy your new life in Christ...

Your Superintendent,

Stephen

March 2018

Liturgical Year Special Sundays Please pray for		4	11	18	25
		Lent 3	Lent 4	Lent 5	Palm Sunday
			<i>Mothering</i>	<i>Passion</i>	
		<i>Bathampton Beechen Cliff</i>	<i>Box</i>	<i>Chew Stoke</i>	<i>Farrington Gurney</i>
Bathampton	11.00	Kirova	Honey	Robinson HC	Slocombe
Beechen Cliff	9.30	Kirova HC	----	----	----
	10.30	LA IP	Dymond P	Briggs HC	Biddulph
	2.00	LA K	LA K	LA K	LA K
Box	11.00	Mills	Kirova HC	Tate	Kirova
Chew Stoke	10.30	Wilson HC	Beck IP	Withers	Parsons
Farrington Gurney	11.00	Slocombe	Crane HC	Cross	at Paulton U
Horizon	10.30	Heynes	Tate HC	Durkin-Auty	Cross
	6.30	4 MC	Winstanley	Turner HC	Tate
Keynsham Queens Road	8.30	----	----	----	----
	10.00	Hewett HC	Wilson	at Victoria U	9.30 Wilson
	6.30	Wilson U R	at Victoria U	Tate U	at Victoria U
Keynsham Victoria	10.00	Parsons	Haynes HC	Wilson B U	at Baptists E
	6.30	at Queens Rd U	Wilson/Spencer GSU	at Queens Rd U	Winstanley HCU
Midsomer Norton	10.30	Robinson HC	Robinson IP	Lowe	Robinson IP
	6.00	Turner	Robinson HC	Kirova	Robinson
Nexus	10.30	Lansley HC	Withers	Winstanley/ Kirova CS	Vonberg
Paulton	8.30	----	----	----	----
	10.30	Bell	Slocombe HC	Parker	LA
	6.00	Slocombe E	----	----	----
Peasedown St John	10.30	Evans	Winstanley HC	Rowe	Winstanley
Stratton House	3.30	----	----	Turner HC	----
Timsbury	10.30	Edge	Trembling	Slocombe HC	at PC E
Trinity at Radstock	10.30	Tate HC	Durkin-Auty P	D Robinson	Tate U
	6.00	Robinson	----	Slocombe HC	4 MC
Trinity at Westfield	10.30	Cross	Parsons	Hewett HC	at Radstock U
Weston	10.30	Cramb HC	at Moravians E	Evans	Jakins

DEADLINES FOR PLAN: June - August 2018

Tuesday 6th March 2018: Presbyters (and churches via Presbyters)

Tuesday 13th March 2018: Supernumeraries and Preachers

(Local Preachers' Meeting date)

April 2018

Liturgical Year Special Sundays Please pray for		1	8	15	22	29
		Easter Day	Easter 2	Easter 3	Easter 4	Easter 5
					Vocations	
		<i>Horizon Southdown</i>	<i>Keynsham Kingswood School</i>	<i>Midsomer Norton</i>	<i>Nexus Student Chaplaincy</i>	<i>Paulton</i>
Bathampton	11.00	Heynes	Kirova HC	Wilson	Biddulph	Kirova
	9.30	----	----	----	----	----
Beechen Cliff	10.30	Souter HC	Parker	Turner	Parsons	Winstanley
	2.00	LA K	LA K	LA K	LA K	LA K
Box	11.00	Hewett HC	Biddulph	Saunders	Kirova	Honey
Chew Stoke	10.30	Slocombe HC	Souter IP	Trembling	Crane	at Timsbury U
Farrington Gurney	11.00	Mills	Edge	Beck	Slocombe HC	at Timsbury U
Horizon	10.30	Dymond	Low	Souter HC	Souter	D Robinson
	6.30	Souter HC	4 MC	Souter	Tate	Souter HC
Keynsham Queens Road	8.30	----	----	----	Wilson A	----
	10.00	Wilson A HC	Wilson A	Evans	----	Robinson
	6.30	Tate U	at Victoria U	Robinson U	at Victoria U	at Victoria U
Keynsham Victoria	10.00	Cramb HC	Honey	Dymond	Wilson	Durkin-Auty
	6.30	at Queens Rd U	Wilson GSU	at Queens Rd U	Kirova U	Wilson HC H
Midsomer Norton	10.30	Robinson HC B	Beck	Robinson IP	Robinson IP	Trembling
	6.00	Crane	Tate	Slocombe	Robinson HC H	Robinson
Nexus	10.30	Kirova HC	Bell	Crane	Tate	Jakins
Paulton	8.30	Slocombe HC	----	----	----	----
	10.30	Low	Parsons	Slocombe HC	LA	at Timsbury U
	6.00	at PC E	----	----	----	----
Peasedown St John	10.30	Winstanley A HC	Durkin-Auty	Withers	Winstanley	Wilson
Stratton House	3.30	Vonberg HC	----	----	----	----
Timsbury	10.30	Evans	Haynes HC	Cramb	Cross	Slocombe U
Trinity at Radstock	10.30	Tate HC	Withers	Cross	Jakins	LA
	6.00	Kirova	----	Turner HC	4 MC	----
Trinity at Westfield	10.30	Crane HC	Tate	Gilson	Mills	at St Peters E
Weston	10.30	Vonberg HC	Souter U	Stiddard	White	Souter HC

**ALL PREACHERS ARE REMINDED THAT IF THEY CANNOT FULFIL AN APPOINTMENT
THEY MUST FIND AN ACCREDITED SUBSTITUTE AND INFORM THE
SUPERINTENDENT MINISTER AND THE RELEVANT LOCAL CHURCH STEWARD.**

May 2018

Liturgical Year Special Sundays Please pray for		6	13	20	27
		Easter 6	Easter 7	Pentecost	Trinity
		<i>Peasedown St John</i>	<i>Stratton House Timsbury</i>	<i>Trinity</i>	<i>Weston</i>
Bathampton	11.00	Edge	Beck	Kirova HC	Crane
Beechen Cliff	9.30	Souter HC	----	----	----
	10.30	Souter	Durkin-Auty	Souter HC	Lansley
	2.00	LA K	LA K	LA K	LA K
Box	11.00	Cross	Robinson HC	Haynes	Kirova
Chew Stoke	10.30	Munday	Evans CA IP	Stiddard	Slocombe HC
Farrington Gurney	11.00	Bell	Winstanley HC	White	Parker
Horizon	10.30	Lansley	Souter HC	Crane	Beck
	6.30	4 MC	Souter	Haynes	Souter HC
Keynsham Queens Road	8.30	----	----	----	LA A
	10.00	Wilson HC	Parsons	at Victoria U	----
	6.30	Souter U	at Victoria U	LA E	Slocombe U
Keynsham Victoria	10.00	Beck	Tate HC	Wilson A	Gilson
	6.30	at Queens Rd U	Wilson GS	LA E	----
Midsomer Norton	10.30	Robinson	D Robinson IP	Robinson HC IP	Mills
	6.00	Kirova	Robinson HC	Robinson	Winstanley
Nexus	10.30	Kirova HC	Saunders	Rowe	Heynes
Paulton	8.30	----	----	----	----
	10.30	Dymond	Wilson	Slocombe A	Cramb HC
	6.00	Slocombe E	----	Slocombe R	----
Peasedown St John	10.30	Winstanley A HC	Cross	Winstanley	Winstanley
Stratton House	3.30	----	----	Kirova HC	----
Timsbury	10.30	Cramb HC	Brailey CA	at PC E	Tate
Trinity at Radstock	10.30	Low	at Westfield U	Tate HC	Parsons
	6.00	Winstanley HC	Tate E	Tate	4 MC
Trinity at Westfield	10.30	Tate HC	Pottage U	Cross	Withers
Weston	10.30	Hull	at Moravians E	Vonberg	Souter HC

ABBREVIATIONS

A	All Age Worship	H	Healing Service	MC	Messy Church (or equivalent)
B	Baptism	HC	Holy Communion	P	Parade Service
CA	Church Anniversary	IP	Informal Praise	PC	Parish Church
CS	Creative Service	K	Korean Worship	R	Reflective Worship
E	Ecumenical Service	LA	Local Arrangement	U	United Service (Methodist)
GS	Guest Service				

WEEKLY DEADLINES for Worship information

Church	Day
Bathampton	Wednesday evening
Beechen Cliff	Thursday evening
Box	Thursday evening
Chew Stoke	Wednesday evening
Farrington Gurney	Thursday evening
Horizon	Thursday evening
Keynsham - Queens Road and Victoria	Wednesday evening

Church	Day
Midsomer Norton	Wednesday evening
Nexus	Thursday evening
Paulton	Thursday evening
Peasedown St John	Wednesday evening
Timsbury	Thursday evening
Trinity at Radstock	Thursday evening
Trinity at Westfield	Thursday evening
Weston	Thursday evening

Circuit Dates for the Diary

March

13 th	9.30am	Presbyteral Synod	
13 th	7.30pm	Preachers Meeting	Midsomer Norton
15 th	2pm	Circuit Leadership Team	Southdown

April

28 th	9.30am	Representative Synod	
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May

24 th	7.30pm	Circuit Meeting including receiving of the Easter Offering	Midsomer Norton
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Holy Week and Easter

Monday 26th March

Keynsham Queens Road	9.30am	Holiday Bible Club
Trinity Radstock	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross

Tuesday 27th March

Keynsham Queen Road	9:30am	Holiday Bible Club
Peasedown St John	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 28th March

Keynsham Queen Road	9:30am	Holiday Bible Club
Chew Stoke	7.00pm	Reflective Communion

Maundy Thursday 29th March

Keynsham Queen Road	9:30am	Holiday Bible Club
Timsbury	3.00pm	Meditation
Peasedown St John	7.00pm	Holy Communion
Trinity Radstock	7.00pm	Holy Communion
Keynsham Victoria	7.30pm	Holy Communion & Foot Washing
Midsomer Norton	7.30pm	Holy Communion
Paulton	7.30pm	Holy Communion Ecumenical Service at Holy Trinity
Horizon	8.00pm	Maundy Thursday Worship

Good Friday 30th March

Weston	9.15am	Cross Walk
Beechen Cliff	9.30am	Cross Walk
Horizon	9.30am	Walk of Witness from St Bartholomew's
Trinity Radstock	12 noon(tbc)	Walk of Witness
Midsomer Norton	9.45am	Ecumenical Walk of Witness
Peasedown St John	10.00am	Good Friday United Service
Paulton	10.45am	Precinct Praise
Paulton	11.00am	Good Friday Service
Trinity Westfield	1.00pm	Good Friday Service
Midsomer Norton	3.00pm	Good Friday Worship
Keynsham Queens Road	2.30pm	Senses Service

Easter Day 1st April

Horizon	6.30am	Sunrise Service
Midsomer Norton	6.30am	Sonrise Service
Chew Stoke	6.45am	Lakeside Communion

