

**Monday 7th October** A joiner will be in Chapel integrating the tech box into the back pew. He is planning for two days, and will definitely be clear for the Funeral on Friday 11th.

**Saturday 5th October, 2024**

**10.30 a.m. - Messy Church** - A warm welcome for the whole family. Bible stories, songs, activities, food and fun.



**Sunday 6th October 2024**

**9.0 a.m. - Rev. Debbie Caulk - Communion**

**10.30 a.m. - Mr David Sanderson Harvest**  
Gifts to The Forge Project. A list of requested items is displayed in church



**2.30 p.m. - at Beltoft - Mrs Margaret Chennells**

**Monday 7th October 2024**

**9.30 - 11.30 a.m. CHATTERBOX**

**Wednesday 9th October 2024**

**7.45 a.m. - Prayers by Zoom**

**Wednesday 9th October 2024**

**10.30 - 11.30 a.m. Jack in a Box**

A fun time for pre-school children and parents or carers.

**Wednesday 9th October 2024**

**2.0 p.m. in the Guild room**

First planning meeting for the Advent and Christmas programme of services based on the Connexional Team Campaign. The title is "Hush the noise" and is prepared around the hymn: It came upon a Midnight clear. Interested parties welcome.

**Saturday 12th October, 2024**

**10.0 - 11.30 a.m. - Coffee morning**

**11.15 - 12.0 a.m.** Recital by **Fourum** Close Harmony Quartet

**Sunday 13th October 2024**

**10.30 a.m. - Rev. Jan Atkins Snow - Communion**

**12.30 p.m. - Baptism of Louis James Tyas** (Great-grandson of Gill Bradbury) This is the one which has twice been postponed due to illness.

**4.30 p.m. - Café church - Mrs Marilyn Hall**

**The Coat of Hopes** visits Epworth Wesley - **Monday**

**7th - Tuesday 8th October.** The pilgrims are offering a "Meet the Coat", where anyone can come and hear about the Coat's journey and its work, and wear the Coat for themselves to experience its warmth and its weight. Wesley Memorial would like to invite the congregation to be part of this from 6.30 p.m. to 8.0 p.m. on **Monday 7th October.** Refreshments and cake will be served. This is a drop in opportunity - you don't necessarily need to stay for the whole evening! Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**Harvest at The Forge**

We have received a list of items on the wish list at The Forge - items which their experience tells them are in greatest need among the people they serve. As you consider what you may wish to donate for Harvest Festival, you might wish to consult a copy of the list which is displayed on the notice board in the Schoolroom.

**Friday 18th October 2024**

**6.0 for 6.30 p.m.** Pie and Pea supper -  
Music with Parry  
£8 - Please book with Pat or Glenise



**Ashby Wesley - coffee morning for Action for Children**

**Saturday 19th October 2024 - 10.0 - 11.30 a.m.**

Cake and preserves stall, bacon butties, toasted teacakes

*It is time for your **Action for Children** boxes to be emptied. If you have a box, please can you give it to Joan. Thanks to all who support this important charity by donating in this or other ways.*



*Music for an Autumn Afternoon*

Lindsey Chamber Orchestra  
Conductor Stephen Fareham

**Sunday 3rd November 2024 - 3.0 p.m.**

**St Andrew's Church, Epworth**

**Let the children come ....**

I don't imagine I am the only one to be distressed by what we have heard and seen on the news this week. Gaza! No adult should be subjected to the fierce actions of both sides in the dispute, and the thought of children cowering away from explosions, fires, falling masonry and gunfire is intolerable. I want to call a halt to it all, but am impotent to do anything about it.

Here in Wesley we have Messy Church, and a group also goes into local primary schools with Open the Book, presenting bible truths in an accessible form. Each week in term time we have Jack-in-a-Box for the little ones. We seek to raise funds for Action for Children, the Methodist charity supporting children and giving them a foundation for their lives. Meanwhile in the Middle East generations of children - survivors from the devastation - are learning the lesson that we must seek ways of avenging what others done to us. Thus we perpetuate violent ways of behaving towards our neighbours.

Much that is wrong in our world lies beyond our ability to change it. That makes it even more important for us to do the little that is within our power. Let's do whatever we can to help in the vital task of nurturing and protecting our children.

In this week's lectionary reading we remember the teaching of Jesus, and his words about bringing in the children and nurturing them. We should also recognise the work done by those here and in other places in serving children, and be glad of them, offering our support in any way we can. "Let the children come."

**Advanced Safeguarding Training Session**

**Saturday 12th October 2024**

10 a.m. – 2.30 p.m. (arrivals and refreshments from 9.30 a.m.)

Venue: Side Door, Laceby Road, Grimsby

Parking to the rear and front of the building

Please bring a packed lunch. Drinks will be provided.

Please book via Alison Godfrey in the District Office,

[PA@lincolnshiremethodist.org.uk](mailto:PA@lincolnshiremethodist.org.uk) or 01522 370126

**World Federation Day - Stamford Methodist**

**Saturday 19th October 2024 - 10.0 a.m. to 4.0 p.m.**

*You put your whole self in.*

Led by Dr Nancy Day - Kenyan musician and British worship leader - Full details on the notice in schoolroom

Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

Mark ch. 10 v. 15 (NIV)



I prefer peace. But if trouble must come, let it come in my time, so that my children can live in peace. *Thomas Paine*

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I remember, I remember,  
The house where I was born,  
The little window where the sun  
Came peeping in at morn;  
He never came a wink too soon,  
Nor brought too long a day,  
But now, I often wish the night  
Had borne my breath away!

I remember, I remember,  
The roses, red and white,  
The vi'lets, and the lily-cups,  
Those flowers made of light!  
The lilacs where the robin built,  
And where my brother set  
The laburnum on his birthday,—  
The tree is living yet!

I remember, I remember,  
Where I was used to swing,  
And thought the air must rush as fresh  
To swallows on the wing;  
My spirit flew in feathers then,  
That is so heavy now,  
And summer pools could hardly cool  
The fever on my brow!

I remember, I remember,  
The fir trees dark and high;  
I used to think their slender tops  
Were close against the sky:  
It was a childish ignorance,  
But now 'tis little joy  
To know I'm farther off from heav'n  
Than when I was a boy.

*You'll remember Thomas Hood as the writer of comic verse, full of puns, some a little macabre, such as "Ben Battle was a soldier bold/And used to war's alarms./A cannon ball took of his legs,/So he laid down his arms." The poem I quote above is full of nostalgia and longing for golden days long gone. I hope we all can resist succumbing to the pessimism of the last three lines!*



Wesley Memorial Church, Epworth

Notices for the week commencing

*Sunday 6th October, 2024*



I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character. - *Martin Luther King, Jr.*