

Sermon Series

Today Ian will be preaching on "Finding God's hope in the face of eternity (with or without God)"

John 3:3-8, 14-17

Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.' 'How can someone be born when they are old?' Nicodemus asked. 'Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!' Jesus answered, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. You should not be surprised at my saying, "You must be born again." The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.'

¹⁴ Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵ that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.' ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

Extra Bible readings for 28th June

John 3: 1-21, Romans 10: 9, Revelation 3: 20

Diary Dates

Sat 11th July – Sing 4/4 Concert in St Mary's Church 7.00pm

Sun 27th September – Harvest Festival Parade Service 10.30am at St Mary's

Sat 3rd October – Harvest Supper & Barn Dance 6.00pm

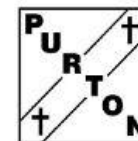
Sat 10th October 'Come and Sing' Day at St Mary's Church – Handel's Messiah



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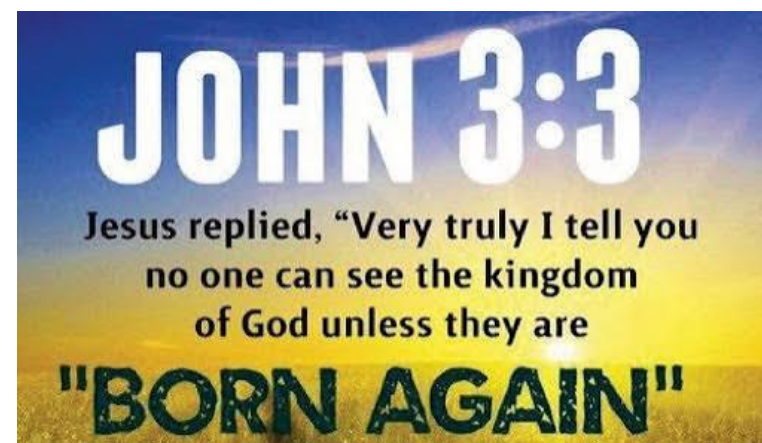
Purton
Methodist Church

Sunday 28th June 2026

Welcome to our two Churches.

For more information about the service please see the welcome page inside the order of service. If you would like a visit from a Church member, or would value prayer or an opportunity to find out more about the Christian faith please contact

- The Vicar, Rev Ian Tweedie-Smith on 01793 770077
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Church Events

Sunday 28th June	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Pam Mullin
	4.00pm	Messy Church at St Mary's Church
Mon 29 th	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group Zoom ID: 907644918 Passcode:918865 https://us06web.zoom.us/j/907644918
	1.45pm	Bible group (Pear Tree Close)
Tues 30 th	7.30pm	Music group rehearsal in church
Wed 1 st	5.00pm	Lady Chapel Prayer Group
Thurs 2 nd	2.30pm	Communion at the Cedars
Fri 3 rd	7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Sat 4 th		
Sunday 5th July	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
	10.30am	Church for All with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
	10.30am	Holy Communion Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Rev Shirlyn Toppin
	1.30pm	Baptism of Codi Lewis at St Mary's with Revd Judith Wells

Prayer: In June (in our cycle of prayer for those living and working in the Parish) we pray for those living and working in Purton Stoke, Bentham, Hayes Knoll, Braydon, Cross Lanes, (*and from Ridgeway Farm*) Hill View, Newman's View & Upper Oxhill; and White Lodge Care Home.

Methodist circuit prayers for this week are for Toothill Church.

We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Norene Richardson, Dr Andrew Reekie, Bob Stimpson, Christopher Greet, Ann Lucas & Martin Gem.

Eco-Prayer Calendar for June 2026

Give thanks for our natural environment on which we rely for survival. Bring before God the loss of ecosystems, forests, habitats and endangered species. Pray for those who may be adversely affected by the emerging El Niño phenomenon, forecast to be stronger than usual this time. Pray for those trying to cope with rising heat levels and wisdom for governments in how best to mitigate this.

Collect: Trinity 4

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

CONCERT

Saturday 11th July 7.00pm

at St Mary's Church

Sing 4/4 Community Choir present
"The Music of Stage and Screen"

Tickets £8.50 (under 12s free)

Retiring collection in aid of St Mary's Purton

For more details see separate poster

Readers: 28th Sandra Horsnall 5th Brian Gill

Intercessions: 28th Paul Dempsey 5th Jean Belt

St Mary's Church website is: www.stmaryspurton.org.uk

If you want to add an article into the church notices, please email Parish Administrator Rosie Harris, by first thing Thursday mornings.
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