Bible readings: Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. **2** Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. **3** Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are ill-treated as if you yourselves were suffering.

4 Marriage should be honoured by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. 5 Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, 'Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.' 6 So we say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?' 7 Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. 8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. ¹⁵ Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise – the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. ¹⁶ And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Readers: 31st Godfrey Fowler 7th Sept Sandra Horsnall Intercessions: 31st David Nettleton 7th Sept Val Walker 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. administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk



Purton Churches Together

PURTON

"In partnership with other Christians in Purton"

Purton Methodist Church

Sunday 31st August 2025 Welcome to our two Churches.

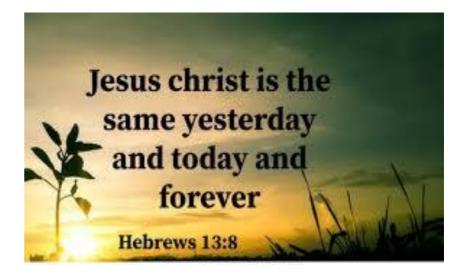
For more information about the service please see the welcome page inside the order of service. If you would like a visit from a Church member, or would value prayer or an opportunity to find out more about the Christian faith please contact

- The Vicar, Rev Ian Tweedie-Smith on 01793 770077 vicarage@stmaryspurton.org.uk
- The Methodist Minister, Rev Shirlyn Toppin on 01793 853197 shirlys8 @hotmail.com
- If you have any Church Safeguarding concern: Marie Dempsey on 07455046815

Email: safeguarding@stmaryspurton.org.uk

For general enquiries: Parish Administrator, Rosie Harris

01793 773035 (Tues/Thurs mornings) Email: administrator@stmaryspurton.org.uk



Church Events

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Sunday	10.30am	Communion at St Mary's (jointly with All		
31 st		Saints, Lydiard Millicent) with Revd Ian & Celia		
August		Tweedie-Smith		
	10.30am	Service at Purton Methodist Church led by		
		Robin Phoenix-Stone		
Mon 1 st	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group		
September		Zoom ID: 907644918 Passcode:918865		
·		Join Zoom Meeting		
		https://us06web.zoom.us/j/907644918		
Tues 2 nd	7.30pm	Music group rehearsal (venue tbc)		
Wed 3 rd	5.00pm	Lady Chapel Prayer Group		
Thurs 4 th	2.30pm	Communion at the Cedars with David & Liz		
		Martin		
Fri 5 th	7.30pm	Bellringing practice		
Sat 6 th	8.00am	Men's Breakfast at All Saints Church, Lydiard		
		Millicent		
Sunday 7 th	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's with Revd Ian & Celia		
September		Tweedie-Smith		
_	10.30am	Church for All at St Mary's with Revd Ian &		
		Celia Tweedie-Smith		
	10.30am	Holy Communion Service at Purton Methodist		
		Church led by Rev Shirlyn Toppin		

<u>Prayer:</u> In our street prayer cycle for August, we pray for Witts Lane, Jewels Ash, Waite Meads Close, Pear Tree Close (and from Moulden View) Mustang Way, Caring Hands (Wiltshire) Care Home at Battle Lake Farm. Methodist Circuit prayers this week are for Purton Methodist Church.

We give thanks to God for the lives of those who have recently died. We pray for the families and friends of Valerie Kay, Ian Handy, Dave Taperek, Jean Hibbard, Ron Scott, Roderick Wightman and Ken Cox...

Collect: Trinity 11

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Men's Breakfast Saturday 6th September at 8.00am In All Saints Church, Lydiard Millicent

Men from both Lydiard Millicent and St Mary's Purton are invited. It will include a bible study by Peter Rogers, a Lay Minister from Shaw Church.

Ride and Stride Saturday 13th September 2025

This event raises money for the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust. I have sponsor forms for anyone who wishes to cycle, walk or ride a horse to churches within Wiltshire. Half of any money collected goes to the Trust and the other half goes to a church of your choice in this county. Please contact me if you want a sponsor form on 772422 or ianersmith1@qmail.com

I am also looking for **volunteers to welcome** cyclists/walkers/horse riders to St Mary's Church between 10am and 5pm and give them refreshments. So if you could spare an hour on this day please let me know. Jane Smith

Ride and Stride

I will be "Striding" in this year's Ride and Stride on 13th September and I'm looking for sponsors. The donations raised will be split 50/50 between St Mary's and the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust. I have sponsor forms and all support will be most welcome. Thanks, Paul Dempsey.