

Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith will be starting a new four-part sermon series this Sunday, beginning with "Finding God's Hope in the face of uncertainty (anxiety and worry)". Some of the readings are below.

### **Philippians 4: 4-13**

<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things. <sup>9</sup> Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me – put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

<sup>10</sup> I rejoiced greatly in the Lord that at last you renewed your concern for me. Indeed, you were concerned, but you had no opportunity to show it. <sup>11</sup> I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances. <sup>12</sup> I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. <sup>13</sup> I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

### **Psalms 55: 22**

<sup>22</sup> Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous be shaken.

### **1 Peter 5: 7**

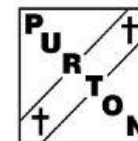
<sup>7</sup> Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.



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Methodist Church

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> 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

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## Church Events

<b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June</b>	8.00am	Communion at St Mary's with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
	10.30am	Church for All at St Mary's with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
	10.30am	Holy Communion Service at Purton Methodist Church led by Rev Ian Mead
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Zoom Prayer Group Zoom ID: 907644918 Passcode:918865 <a href="https://us06web.zoom.us/j/907644918">https://us06web.zoom.us/j/907644918</a>
	1.45pm	Bible group (Pear Tree Close)
	3.00pm	Communion at the Ashgrove with Paul & Marie Dempsey
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup>		
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	5.00pm	Lady Chapel Prayer Group
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>		
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Bellringing practice
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup>		
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June</b>	10.30am	United Service with PEG AGM at St Mary's with Revd Ian Tweedie-Smith
	4.00pm	Messy Church

**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 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 Norene Richardson, Dr Andrew Reekie, Bob Stimpson, Christopher Greet and Ann Lucas.

## **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 1**

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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.

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## **Diary Dates**

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

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> October** 'Come and Sing' Day at St Mary's Church – Handel's Messiah

**Readers:** 7<sup>th</sup> June Jessie Palmer-Day 14<sup>th</sup> Marie Dempsey

**Intercessions:** 7<sup>th</sup> June Celia Tweedie-Smith 14<sup>th</sup> PEG AGM

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