

**Salisbury Methodist Church
St Edmund's Church Street Salisbury**

Newsletter



**We will try to understand why this world is so unfair
We will try to understand there are better ways to share
We are thinking of our neighbours today
Even though they might be far away.**

(from "Global Neighbours", the children's song for Christian Aid Week).

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Rachel and Simon Clarke.

Items for the July/August Newsletter should be sent to Rachel Clarke
no later than Friday 19th June 2026

email: newsletter@salisburymethodist.org.uk

Material for consideration should be as follows:

An A4 Word or other editable text document (in Aptos font size 15pt if possible).

Please ensure you have consent for any material submitted.

If you need help creating a document, please contact Rachel Clarke.

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Worship in June

Sunday 7th June

10:30 a.m. Revd Dr Mark Cheetham AA Parade

Sunday 14th June

10:30 a.m. Revd Jane Taylor HC

3:00 p.m. Mrs Fi Waddingham LB

Sunday 21st June

8:00 a.m. Revd Jane Taylor HC

10:30 a.m. Revd Steve Hawkes

Sunday 28th June

10:30 a.m. Revd Dr Mark Cheetham

Children and Young People on Sunday (CHYPS) offers activities for children linked to the church service each Sunday, except when there is an All Age Worship.

Additional Information: -

AA All Age

HC Holy Communion

LB Little Blessings

Pastoral Support Worker (Anna Chaplaincy)

Some of you may recall that I was commissioned in September 2022 as Pastoral Support Worker for the Circuit. This is a very rewarding role supporting churches within the Circuit. In this time, I have been with 4 churches and continuously with Shrewton Methodist church and Tills Valley Day Centre, which is held weekly in the church hall at Shrewton. I also visit a Care Home having time with residents, staff and family.

I first heard of Anna Chaplaincy at a Circuit Leadership Team (CLT) meeting. It was a light bulb moment for me; I was interested in finding out more and felt a calling for this to run alongside the pastoral care ministry that I am involved in.

Anna Chaplaincy is a ministry supporting those aged 65 and over in Spiritual Care. It supports those of strong, little or no faith, being non-judgmental, with a person-centred approach. This is something I feel passionate about and very comfortable with as everyone is unique and should feel valued at any age.

I completed the course in October last year. This year I have done a few monthly services at a Care Home that I visit most weeks. Sometimes it can be challenging as not all residents are able to engage, but when one does it is truly wonderful to see them singing along or tapping their hands to the music; and when they recite the Lord's Prayer, well that feels very special. There is always time after the service to sit with individuals or a small group and chat.

God Bless.

Jacqui Saunders (Pastoral Support Worker, (Anna Chaplain)

Ecumenical Prayers for Justice and Peace

in the Cathedral Trinity Chapel 12
noon. All are welcome

Third Wednesday of every month

Next date

Wednesday 17th June

Poetry Group

in Room 1 at 10.30am.

First Friday of every month

Next date

Friday 5th June

The subject will be

Senses



Pastoral News

It was lovely to hear from Caroline and Tim, with a couple of delightful photos, following the birth of their baby son Noah, on 19 April. In Caroline's words 'He is a happy and healthy boy who loves his food. It has taken some getting used to, but we are getting into a routine now. 'We pray God's blessing on them as a family and uphold them in our prayers. We hope to see them if and when they're able to make it down from Yorkshire!'



We also share in the joy of Anne and Gerry Barry who recently welcomed their first great-grandchild into the family, baby Daphne Willow. We give thanks for her safe arrival.

Other church family news:

We send our love and congratulations to David and Janet Currass who celebrated 62 years of marriage on 16 May.

This month also brings us 2 special birthdays on 9th June - David Booth will be celebrating his 90th birthday and Sandra Gunstone her 80th. We send fond Happy Birthday greetings to them both, with our love and congratulations.

Warm birthday wishes also go to Eileen Rattue who will be 106 on 17 June. We pray that she will be able to enjoy her special day.

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We continue to remember and hold before God those known to us who are facing difficult challenges at this time. We pray for those struggling with increasing frailty or ill health, perhaps having to come to terms with change and new limitations; for those facing painful 'firsts' following bereavement; for those anxiously awaiting hospital tests, results or surgery. May they and their loved ones know God's loving presence with them, a constant source of help, strength and comfort.

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International Bring and Share Lunch – Sunday 5 July, 12.30 – 3.00pm

Planning is underway for this church family social event at the beginning of next month. It will be an opportunity to share a meal together in a relaxed atmosphere, to enjoy conversation with folk we may not have spoken with before, to perhaps try new tastes and maybe learn something of other cultures along the way. You're invited to bring a favourite dish from anywhere in the world, and dress accordingly if you would like to. But please remember it's not Master Chef! All are welcome, whatever their contribution, and experience tells us that there is always more than enough food on these occasions. Having said that, it would be helpful if you could add your name to the list in the North corridor, so we have an idea of numbers. We do hope you will be able to join us. For more information speak to Angela Maunder or Monica Gillings.

It is good to share church family news, so please let your Pastoral Visitor know of anything you wish to share with others through the Newsletter. Please ensure that you have permission from the people concerned or their relatives before sending items to Monica Gillings, pastoral@salisburymethodist.org.uk

Rest is a decision we make. Rest is choosing to do nothing when we have too much to do, slowing down when we feel pressure to go faster, stopping instead of starting. Rest is listening to our weariness and responding to our tiredness, not to what is making us tired. Rest is what happens when we say one simple word: "No!"

Mike Yaconelli

Prayers for World Environment Day

Friday 5th June 2026 is World Environment Day.

The theme for World Environment Day 2026 is centred on **Climate Action**, focusing on the urgent signals the Earth is sending and the solutions humanity must implement. Hosted in the Republic of Azerbaijan, the global campaign urges accelerated collective action to address climate change and environmental restoration.

God of life,
we praise you for the beauty of creation,
its richness and variety;
yet, through greed and ignorance,
we scar your world with plastic waste
and throw so much away.
Make us more like Jesus,
treading gently on our common home,
and breathe your Spirit on us,
that we may care more deeply for your Earth.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*Rt Revd Graham Usher
Bishop of Norwich and Lead Bishop on the Environment*

For Leaders Impacting Climate Change

God of blessings,
the universe sings of your glory.
Deepen our gratitude for all you have made
and awaken in us a renewed commitment
to care for the earth and each other.

Inspire leaders with openness to listen to those most affected by climate change
and with courage to act urgently and wisely,
so that our common home may be healed and restored
and all people, and generations to come, may delight in it.

-Adapted from the COP27 Climate Summit prayer from the EcoJesuits

Rosemary Fletcher

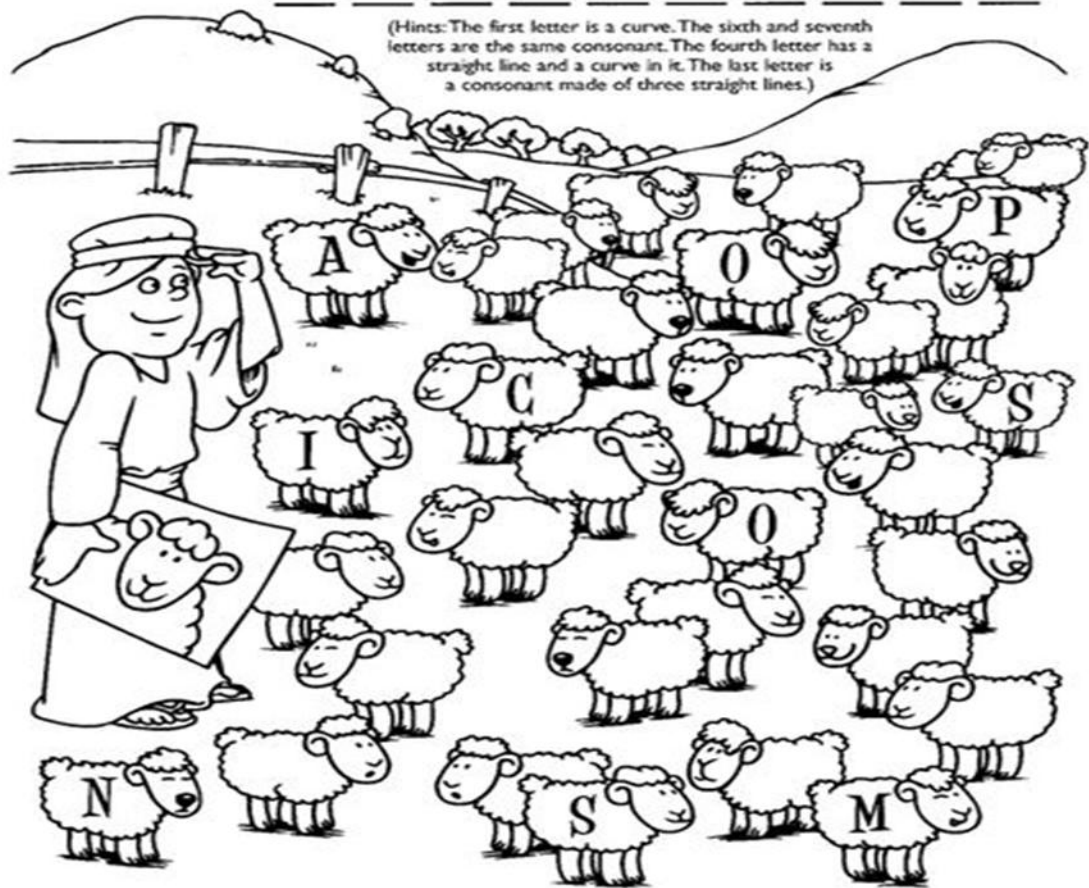
LOST AND FOUND

Luke 15:3-7



The shepherd has lost a sheep, and like the Good Shepherd, he will search high and low for it. In the blanks, write the letters you find on the sheep. Read the hints for help. It's a word that tells what God feels for us.

(Hints: The first letter is a curve. The sixth and seventh letters are the same consonant. The fourth letter has a straight line and a curve in it. The last letter is a consonant made of three straight lines.)



The shepherd is looking for one specific sheep. It looks just like the one in his picture. Can you find it? When you do, circle it.

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All but two of these words can be found in the grid but which ones are missing?

- Compassion
- Crook
- Find
- Found
- Friends
- God
- Neighbours
- One hundred
- Rejoice
- Repent
- Search

Five minutes for the planet

Confused?

You can have too much of a good thing. Last month's magazine accidentally contained two pieces about Recycling for Good Causes.

To make things simple: if you have something small, such as a broken watch or a few foreign coins, you can pop them in one of the envelopes that are sitting on the table by the recycling boxes. Anything else you can still give to Paul Butler.

Sat-navs are now recyclable in this way, (including cables, but not the plastic brackets that most of them come with).

So are mobile phones, electronic games, tablets and cameras of all sorts.

Two people have asked me about recycling candles – this can be done, but I am still trying to find out more about how it works. If it is practical, perhaps we can collect candles over several Sundays. Save your candles, watch this space, and the weekly notices!

Paul Butler

'Kitted Out' Summer Holiday Club

SMC in partnership with St. Thomas' and Salisbury URC churches will be running a holiday club this Summer from 10th-14th August at SMC. This is for primary school aged children. We will be exploring how God equips us to live life well. This valued and exciting event can only run if the church support it. It requires a large number of volunteers to meet safeguarding requirements so please offer your services, it is great fun. Volunteers are required from 9.15am-1.30pm each day. There are many roles from registration desk duties to leading crafts to working directly with a group of children. We also need musicians. You don't need to be available all week, some volunteers just do a couple of days. The event concludes with a celebration service on Sunday 16th August where the children will share some of what has gone on during the week. Please do support this important outreach event. For more information and a volunteer registration form please contact me by email: outreachworker@salisburymethodist.org.uk.

Fi Waddingham, Outreach Worker

Where is Bertie?

If you have wondered recently where Bertie is at church then - look up - he can some weeks be seen in the gallery helping the AV team as part of the volunteering section of his Silver Duke of Edinburgh's award.

Many weekends recently though Bertie has been away as he was training for, and then completing, the 35 mile Ten Tors challenge that took place on Dartmoor 8-10th May. This is an Army run and organised outdoor event with routes of 35, 45 and 55 miles as options. It is a tough expedition and required grit and team work. We went to Dartmoor to see the team over the line and it was tremendous, we are all very proud of the group of 6 boys from Warminster School who completed the challenge. They came in with a good time (although it is not set up as a race, more of an experience), not too many blisters and smiles on their faces which was a great finish. Many schools in the South West take part and in fact Bertie knew Salisbury friends on the team from Bishop Wordsworth School, who came in an hour or so ahead of Bertie, so very well done to them as well. Godolphin School also took part and had three teams entered who also did excellently.

I have included here a photo and write up from the school as it seems to sum it up very well. Do ask Bertie about it if you see him - he can tell you the highs and the lows and, as yet, has not decided if he wants to take part and do it again another year.



'A huge well done to our Ten Tors team, who braved Dartmoor last weekend and came out the other side with aching legs and plenty of stories to tell. The team battled hills, covered many miles, and faced challenging underfoot conditions, yet still kept going with great teamwork throughout.

Mr Tripp reports: "The team arrived on Friday, ready to take on the challenge. They got involved in the engagement village, where the army and other organisations had multiple stands for them to visit. They had everything from airsoft to first aid. They

were also very lucky to have the opportunity to scramble over the Merlin helicopters thanks to Mrs Simpson and Ms Clarke asking very nicely.

After having a tasty evening meal, they went to bed early, ready for the rude awakening at 4.45 am. They had breakfast (a cheeky bacon-and-egg roll) and got ready for the start line at 6.30 am. The Red Devils Parachute display team completed their fantastic display on the start line, and then two artillery guns fired to start the event... they were off!



Two full days on Dartmoor, completely unassisted, having to find their own water, purify it, navigate to 13 checkpoints and wild camp. It's no understatement to say it's a massive achievement and something they will remember for the rest of their lives. All that effort paid off when they marched across the finish line just after 12.30pm on Sunday, a fantastic achievement after a long and challenging weekend. Completing Ten Tors is never easy, and this was a brilliant reward for months of training, even if Monday morning's movement was extra hard work!

If anyone wants to find out more information on Ten Tors there is a link here <https://www.tentors.org.uk/>

Catherine Barrington

You are the God of every human being and, too dazzling to be looked at, you let yourself be seen as in a mirror, shining on the face of Christ. We are eager to glimpse a reflection of your presence, so open in us the gates of transparency of heart. Come and refresh the dry and thirsty ground of our body and our spirit. Come and place a spring of living water in the lifeless regions of our being. Come and bathe us in your confidence to make even our inner deserts burst into flower.

A prayer by the late Brother Roger of Taizé

Salisbury Methodist Church Directory May 2026

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the specific role at SMC.

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Christian Aid Week, and the Middle East (still)



Thank you to everyone who helped with this year's CA appeal, especially those who got involved for the first time. Envelopes are still being returned, and the totals collected will be in the notices when the donations have been counted.

Last year the Salisbury Christian Aid Committee planted a tree in Churchill gardens to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of Christian Aid. We invited St Martin's and St Osmund's primary schools to get involved in the dedication ceremony, and now they have prepared some marvellous artwork on Christian Aid themes. You can see all this in the North Corridor – please have a look. (See front cover).

Christian Aid Week focused on micro-agriculture in Nairobi, but Christian Aid works across the world. Although the situation in Israel/Palestine has dropped out of the news recently, Christian Aid continues to work there through local partners. The programme manager for the area says:

"Our partners are deeply rooted in their communities and have therefore been the first responders to this crisis. Our locally-led approach has meant that people have been supported to help themselves, in the absence of a ceasefire and sufficient aid."

Here are a few examples of their current work:

- In Gaza, running mobile health clinics, and restoring water supplies.
- In the West Bank, supporting community health and education projects led by local women, and providing food and clothing to Gazan refugees who are not being allowed to return home.
- In Lebanon, providing a wide variety of essentials to those displaced by Israeli attacks.
- In Israel itself, supporting an Israeli organisation campaigning for a just and peaceful future.

Paul Butler

Jesus never says to the poor: 'come find the church', but he says to those of us in the church: 'go into the world and find the poor, hungry, homeless, imprisoned.

Tony Campolo

Write for Rights

Salisbury Methodist Church took part in the 2025 Amnesty International Write for Rights and we thought 6 months later you might like to know more about what happened. SMC have taken part in Write for Rights for many years.

This is from Amnesty International recently (April 2026)

The Write for Rights (W4R) campaign was back again for its 25th edition in 2025, working hard to bring positive change in the lives of eight individuals and groups at risk, and their families and communities. At least 3,962,563 actions were taken worldwide. 64 national entities delivered inspiring campaigns. As ever, activists' creativity and dedication to Write for Rights shone through. We saw letter writing events held in all sorts of locations, including a former prison in the Netherlands, human rights education activities in schools, speaker tours, concerts, running events, meetings with embassies, media interviews and campaigning in the streets! What's more, more than 400,000 PEOPLE WORLDWIDE were mobilized through human rights education alone. It's early days to assess the human rights impact of the campaign, but we have already seen positive changes in some of the individuals and groups' situations.

One individual featured in Write for Rights 2025, Sonia Dahmani, was RELEASED .

We have also seen positive steps towards justice in legal cases and slight improvements in prison conditions. Damisoa, Guerreras por la Amazonía and the families of Juan López and Unecebo Mboteni have also been supported with practical support granted by Amnesty International's Global Relief Programme. Beyond human rights impact and relief, Write for Rights is a SOLIDARITY campaign, showing the individuals at risk featured that people in all corners of the world are supporting them. Of the total numbers of actions, at least solidarity.

We hope that SMC will continue to take part in this action - part of us being a justice seeking church.

Thank you to all who took part

Rosemary Fletcher and James Rowley

Refugee Week 2026

will take place from **Monday 15 June to Sunday 21 June 2026**, centring around the overarching theme of "**Courage**". The festival is the world's largest arts and culture movement dedicated to honouring the resilience, creativity, and contributions of refugees and people seeking sanctuary. The timing also marks the 75th anniversary of the Refugee Convention and coincides with World Refugee Day on Saturday 20 June

Sanctuary Sunday 21st June is marked at the end of Refugee Week and aims to promote the Church of Sanctuary programme, building cultures of welcome, hospitality and safety in our churches.

On 21st June churches across Britain and Ireland will mark Sanctuary Sunday at the conclusion of Refugee Week. The theme for Refugee Week this year is courage. It is an opportunity to celebrate the courage of all those who are standing in solidarity with people who have been forced to flee their homes in search of safety, especially at a time when people seeking asylum are being targeted in acts of violence and hatred.

The continued growth of the Church of Sanctuary movement is a clear indication of the truth that those who value diversity in our communities and recognise the need to include and support the participation of everyone for the common good greatly outnumber those who would seek to divide and marginalise people. Marking Sanctuary Sunday is a way for us to have the courage to share the real stories about how our communities are enriched by the diversity of gifts and experiences that people of different backgrounds and experiences can bring.

A prayer for refugees

Abba Father, our beloved Father,
look down with mercy on us and all refugees.

Remember your son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
had to leave his homeland and flee to Egypt,
when he was a baby,
with his mother, Mary,
and father, Joseph.

Help us to be aware
of the fears, anxiety, pain, sorrow,
difficulties and uncertainty all refugees suffer,
and to remember that we all belong
to the same human family.

Holy Spirit,
please give us compassion and courage
to help them in any way we can.
Amen.

Diana Ng, CAFOD supporter

The Methodist Conference 25 June - 1 July 2026 Telford

The Conference is the governing body of the Methodist Church. Meeting once a year, it provides a forum for prayerful reflection and decision-making on issues that shape the life of the Church, as well as matters that impact the wider community, the nation, and the world.

The Representative sessions (29 June to 2 July) will be live-streamed and recorded, with replays available on the official website, as well as events on Sunday 28th June: Conference Sunday services, the Reception into Full Connexion, and the Ordination Services are broadcast.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/structure-and-governance/the-methodist-conference/conference-2026/>

Loving God, we pray for the Methodist Conference, we ask for your guiding presence. Refresh and fill all those who meet in Telford with your Holy Spirit.

Grant wisdom to all representatives and leaders as they make decisions, and guide our local churches in service and discipleship. Unite us in our mission to bring hope, transformation, and your healing love to our nation and the world.

Equip us all to serve with open hearts, and may our collective work always give glory to you.

Amen.

Rosemary Fletcher

New Sarum Singers

Summer in Song 2026 - Concert Promotion



THE NEW SARUM SINGERS

Present

“Summer in Song”

The New Sarum Singers’ full programme of music invoking the warmth of summer, drawn from a repertoire of well-known songs from popular musicals. The concert will be an enjoyable family entertainment and a delightful way to spend a summer’s evening. It’s free and in support of an excellent local cause, so why not join us.

Musical Director: Andy Brockway

Accompanist: Mary Douglas

And Special Guest Soloist.

Saturday 4th July 2026 at 7:30 p.m.

**Bemerton Methodist Church,
Roman Road, Salisbury, SP2 9BH**

Free Admission and Parking with a retiring collection
in aid of the Julia’s House, the charity that reaches out to children with
life-shortening and life-threatening conditions in Dorset and Wiltshire
(Registered Charity 1067125).

Visit <https://newsarumsingers.wordpress.com/> for more information

Our Zambia link

Zambia's National Assembly has been dissolved, and candidates are being chosen for local, national and presidential elections in August. Pray that the election campaigns will be peaceful and honest.

In the United Church of Zambia (UCZ) there will be joy and renewal of commitment at the ordination of new ministers in Kabwe on June 7th.

Pray for the ministers to be ordained and for the congregations they work with.

Each year at the end of June the UCZ holds a nationwide prayer meeting – open air prayer meetings linked digitally, praying for God's blessing on Zambia, praying that more people will come to know and follow Jesus – and this year praying

about the elections. This year's nationwide prayer meeting will be on Saturday, June 27th.

On Sunday, 28th June, UCZ congregations will be praying for and learning about Theological Extension in Zambia (TEEZ). TEEZ was started in 1979 by the United Church of Zambia, the Churches of Christ and the Anglican Church in Zambia, to provide theological education and lay training for church people all over the country. TEEZ creates and distributes course material which people study in their own homes and work through in local groups with a trained local tutor. This is an ideal way of learning in a vast country where travel is not easy, and it means that training is done in each person's local area, language and congregation rather than in a residential college far away from the place where a person ministers. Many people have been and are being trained for ministries like local preaching, worship leading, teaching in Sunday School and membership classes and leading Bible study groups.

At our partner UCZ congregation – St John's in Mtendere, Lusaka – Deaconess Majorie Mvula, who was widowed by her husband's death in a car accident, is getting married again, and we pray for her and her family and her continuing ministries.

Continue to pray for St John's congregation as they pray for us, and please pray for their minister, Revd Mwaka Phiri, and her family.

Cecil King

Toddler Group Needs Your Help

Every Tuesday and Friday morning during termtime our church hall is alive with the joyful sound of small children exploring their environment and engaging with other children. Baby and toddler group is a source of welcome and support for parents, grandparents and other child carers who can enjoy a cuppa and share their journey whilst the children play in a safe and fairly secure space. It is a space where SMC share God's love practically with the community of which we are part and offer prayer. It is a chance for us to share how our faith motivates us to care for those around us and to offer an insight into the Christian faith through discussion. Toddler group is an important part of SMC's outreach.

In order to run, it requires a volunteer for each session and we desperately need a few more to join the rota. Could you be available either Tuesday or Friday sometimes? Maybe twice a term, or once a month? We need people to come in from 9.45am - 12 noon to cut up fruit for snacks, make hot drinks and serve them, wash up and be a friendly, welcoming face. If you would like more information or think you can help please contact me on

outreachworker@salisburymethodist.org.uk or text 07895 404034.

Fi Waddingham, Outreach Worker

Worship

On the 1st Sunday in June, we will welcome our uniformed organisations for a Parade Service. It is a pleasure to see the number of young people and their families attending these services, and it is a joy to hear of their achievements in the past months. Please note that this will mean that the 10:30 a.m. communion service this month will be on the second Sunday 14th.

Looking ahead into July we will again welcome the Wesley Pilgrimage from the United States. This will probably be Paul Chilcote's final pilgrimage and we are honoured to welcome him to preach the sermon on Sunday 12th July. The following Sunday 19th July we will be holding our quarterly 6:00 p.m. service. This will be an IONA style service prepared by John Pipet. We look forward to seeing you at one or both of these services.

Jim Gillings Worship Team leader.

Venue:

£3 PER MORNING 10AM - 1PM

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HOLIDAY CLUB
10TH -14TH AUGUST 2026



KITTED OUT

What do we find in our churches and why?

How does God equip us to live life fully?

**Come and explore these questions through
story, games, craft, songs and more.**

For registration forms email:

outreachworker@salisburymethodist.org.uk or enquiries@salisburyurc.co.uk

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Fairtrade News



One of the ways that new start-ups for Fairtrade co-operatives is funded is through **Shared Interest**; a not-for-profit ethical investment organisation for people who want to be part of a fairer world. From their website, www.shared-interest.com:

We see the world as it could be

Shared Interest was set up in 1990 and brings together a community of over 11,800 people in the UK with a shared goal of investing in a fairer world. We work hand in hand with people in communities where income opportunities may be limited and businesses are facing increasing challenges.

We act co-operatively, providing finance to fair trade businesses in up to 47 countries. The majority of these organisations support smallholder farmers who produce around a third of the world's food but often struggle to feed their families.

Savers such as any of us can opt to open a Share Account for any amount they choose from £100 upwards, taking a smaller amount of interest so that Fairtrade enterprises in developing countries can benefit and flourish.

There is a supporters meeting in Bristol on Friday June 19 from 11.00 to 3.00 pm; anyone interested in going should contact Barbara Hickman.

Shop takings for the last 5 weeks have totalled approximately £877.

Barbara Hickman and Monica Gillings

Pentecost

The disciples have been told to stay where they are until power comes from on high. Suddenly, the house they are in cannot contain what God is doing. Pentecost is not God saying: "I have selected the most competent disciples". Instead, he says: "These people will do. These frightened, muddled, argumentative, hopeful people. I can work with them". This is good news. If we look around us today this appears still to be the recruitment policy.

Canon Tom Kennar



New Courses in Listening announced!

We are pleased to offer two new courses to improve your listening skills. Come along and experience a new way of listening - whether it be to friends and family or work colleagues and clients. Everyone can benefit.

Do you want to listen better?

A Training in Listening day

at Salisbury Methodist Church SP1 1EF

on Saturday 30th May

from 10am to 4pm

(Please bring your own lunch)

Would you like to be a volunteer listener for the Listening Place?

People who want to be Listeners are asked to attend two days of training in listening.

The next course will be Saturday 30th May and Saturday 6th June

from 10am to 4pm at Salisbury Methodist Church SP1 1EF

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SAVE THE DATE!

The annual Listening Place Open Evening will be held on Tuesday 22nd September at Salisbury Methodist Church SP1 1EF at 6.45pm.

We are delighted that **Alabare** are providing a Speaker on this evening to tell us all about the many facets of their work here in Salisbury.



International bring and share Lunch

Sunday 5th July 12.30-3pm
Salisbury Methodist Church

Please bring a favourite dish from any country if you wish.
Sign up for attendance and food contributions in North
corridor. National dress encouraged but not obligatory!

See Angela Maunder or Monica Gillings for more info