

PERTH METHODIST CHURCH

Week beginning 26th June

The Sunday's Service will be led by Revd. Gerald Bostock. Hymns are H&P 24, StF 441, StF 475 (vv.1-4), H&P 274 and StF 465. Readings are Responsive Psalm (Ps 77.11-20) and Luke 9.57-62.

Circuit Worship. This Sunday's circuit service will be on the YouTube channel from 9am Sunday. To access the service or any earlier service go to [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and, where it says 'Search', enter 'Angus, Dundee and Perthshire Methodist Circuit'. If you know anyone wanting the service on DVD or a full script, please tell Nik Wooller so it can be posted to them.

Sunday evening services These have resumed on a monthly basis on the second Sunday in the month. The service begins at 6.00pm and lasts for about 40 minutes. Future dates for these services will be 10 July, 14 August, 11th September, and 9 October,

A new arrangement for Sunday Teas/Coffees The decision of the recent Church Council was to resume serving teas and coffees in the kitchen corner of the Sanctuary. We could then mingle or sit around at the front of the church. We need to remember that new volunteers for serving on Sundays are always welcome!

The next coffee morning and soup lunch will be held on Saturday 9th July. On duty: whole shift: Sheila L, Liz, Ali G. 10-12: Barry 12-2: Margaret. Soup makers: Sheila L, Rob, Liz

Wedding Celebrations Mark and I would be delighted to have as many of you who wish to attend, joining us for our marriage service at 4pm on Saturday 2nd July. We have checked out chairs and seating arrangements and there will be room! We are grateful to all involved in helping us in the occasion and it would be really lovely to have you join if you can. Susie Turner

PMC Farewell lunch As you know this is our PMC way of saying farewell to Nik. We have lunch together after the morning service led by Nik on Sunday 10th July.

Please note, I have been asked to oversee the catering for Nik's lunch. Could I ask that you let me know if you are able to attend, please, and I will organise the catering to ensure there is a balance of sweet and savoury. Could I also ask that you let me know if you have any dietary requirements? Many thanks. Sheila L..

Circuit Farewell Service This will be here on Sunday 31st July at 3.00pm, followed by tea and cake. This will enable everyone to thank her for her work and involvement around the Circuit and all are welcome. 31st July will be Nik's last day with us.

AfC Lantern collection boxes. Would holders of lantern boxes please bring them in to Barry P. before the end of July. If I am not in church I am sure they could be left in the vestry. Thank you. Barry P.

We need a volunteer to take on the role of PMC's Action for Children secretary and representative. This would involve overseeing the annual taking in and emptying of the lantern collection boxes and generally publicising/disseminating info about this Methodist charity. If you would like to know more about this role please speak with Barry P. or with a steward.

Knit and Natter Before the pandemic closed church premises, Knit and Natter was an enjoyable meeting, providing the opportunity for church members to enjoy coffee, cake and craft and welcome the community into the building. If you would like to help with this important outreach on the second Monday of each month, please let me know. Knitting is not compulsory! The next meeting will be on Monday 11th July from 2 to 4pm". Alison R

Scottish Methodist Gathering (Revised Announcement) Everyone in Scotland with any connection to Methodism is invited to attend 'Gathering to Scatter' – the Scottish Methodist Gathering which will take place in Perth from Friday 9th to Sunday 11th September. Starting with a ceilidh, 'Gathering to Scatter' offers a wide-ranging, all-age programme to dip into with worship, prayer and bible study, sessions with John Bell and Fischy Music, chat show, craft, pilgrimage, intergenerational activities and more. The main venue for the weekend is the Salutation Hotel, Perth, and this is where Synod members will meet on Saturday morning. An alternative to Synod will be hosted at Perth Methodist Church. There is no charge for the Gathering, but please register through the Eventbrite site ([scottishmethodistgathering.org](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/scottish-methodist-gathering-2023)) where much more information can be found. The planning group have prepared a 4-minute video which can be downloaded until 20th June at the following link:
<https://we.tl/t-UePMAeIRd7>

Information Folder: You may remember we had a folder which was kept in the bookcase in the hall and then on the kitchen corner windowsill with previous Meeting Minutes which were available for anyone in the congregation to see. A new orange folder will be kept on the kitchen corner windowsill. Apart from meeting minutes, any relevant paperwork, correspondence which can be shared in the public domain will be kept there. Many thanks. Sheila L.

Delivery and Distribution of this newssheet We are extremely grateful to Rob for having produced the PMC news sheet for the past nine months. This has been a vital contribution to the life and work of the church community and Rob has discharged this task with care, efficiency and courtesy. You have done a great job, Rob, and we thank you. Fiona Goudie will be taking over this responsibility from next week (w/b 3rd July)

If you would like to receive this sheet direct to your inbox, please ask Fiona Goudie. **The Messages and Info sheet** is currently being produced by Fiona Goudie (details are in the church directory) Please send items for inclusion by 12 noon on Thursday each week.