



# CALDICOT METHODIST CHURCH

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**John3:16**

## Notices for Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019

We welcome all who worship with us especially if you are a visitor or this is your first time.  
 Please join us after the service for tea, coffee & fellowship.

If you would like to know more about our church, ask a steward for a Welcome Pack  
 or help yourself from the rack in the foyer.

If you have a hearing aid, please switch to "T" for reception from the church system, during the service.

### Services Today

9.40am Prayer First Steps Prayer Meeting - in the schoolroom  
 10.00am Service Rev J. Rooney

This week's Church Stewards Mr & Mrs R. Simms  
 Door Stewards Mrs O. Jeanes & Mr M. Strange

### Next Week's Service

9.40am Prayer First Steps Prayer Meeting - in the schoolroom  
 10.00am Service Rev K. Town  
 3.00pm Friends with 'Count everyone in' led by the team

### Diary for this week

Monday	4.30pm	Creative Kidz Theatre
Tuesday	All am	Coffee Morning
	9.15am	Moo Music - Music & Movement for the under 5's
	11.00am	'Space to be..'. Informal 20-30 minute service, led by Nick Jones
	7.30pm	Friends & Neighbours -
		<b>Every one welcome to join us</b> for the Annual Service (Using the World Day of Prayer service)
Wednesday	9.30am	Mother & Toddlers
	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
Thursday	9.30am	Coffee with God, Bible Study - led by Margaret Andersen
	2.30pm	Sisterhood - Speaker, Fiona Ashley - Library Rep
	6.00pm	Slimming World
Friday	All am	Coffee Morning
	<b>NO</b>	Choir Practice

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#### Next Week (19/05/19)

Church Stewards Mr & Mrs F. Wheeler  
 Door Stewards Mr & Mrs N. Jones  
 Sound Desk Mr T. Chapman  
 Sunday Coffee Mrs S. Sperring & Mrs J. Finchett  
 Flowers Sisterhood

### Lectionary Readings

Acts 9:36-43  
 Revelation 7:9-17  
 John 10:22-30  
 Psalm 23

### Last Sunday's Offering

£886.46

### Easter Offering

£179.00

This year's weekly payment  
 to the Methodist Circuit: **£794**

### FOODBANK

**Please remember  
 'Dolly the Trolley'**



### Prayer

Father God, we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed. Make our hearts pliable,  
 that we might return to you as soon as we begin to stray. May we know the gift of tears and your forgiveness.

*Amy Boucher Pye*

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These notices are printed and prepared 4U. Please pray for the activities listed  
 and those involved in leadership and witness as well as those who will hear The Good News, perhaps for the first time.

## DRY AND KEEP YOUR OWN FLOWERS



Love the flowers in your garden just now? Why not preserve them? The art of preserving flowers was very popular in Victorian times, and it is still good fun. It is an inexpensive hobby, for all you really need are some small flowers, some paper and a weight.

Start with something simple like buttercups, daisies, pansies, forget-me-nots or little roses. Even grasses and leaves work well. The best time to gather them is from lunchtime onwards, after the dew has evaporated. They mustn't be too wet, or they will go mouldy. Put the flowers into a plastic bag until you get home.

Then lay them, one by one, onto blotting paper and place a sheet of blotting paper on top. Put all this between two layers of newspaper, like a 'sandwich'. You don't need an expensive flower press – a piece of wood and a couple of heavy books will be fine.

Leave the flowers under the press for six to eight weeks. Resist the temptation to see how they are doing! Then near the end of summer, spend an evening opening your flower 'press' and using tweezers to carefully lift out the brittle dried flowers. Arrange them on a card and use a gum solution to glue them into place. You

could then cut some sticky clear plastic film to size, and carefully seal it over the flowers. They can decorate little birthday cards, bookmarks or pictures.

## EXAM TIME

*Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test? And I trust that you will discover that we have not failed the test. (2 Corinthians 13:5-6)*

For many children and young adults May is the time for taking exams. Most adults remember their exams all too well - sitting in the intimidating silence of the school hall waiting for the papers to be given out, and hoping you could answer the questions. Then the wonderful feeling of relief when it was all over!

Here the apostle Paul challenges the Corinthians to examine themselves to see if their faith is really genuine. His aim is not to pull them down in any way, but rather to use his God-given authority to build them up. He wants them to be sure of their faith.

There is a place for self-examination in the Christian life. Not for morbid introspection, but for the kind of honest heart searching that allows the Holy Spirit to reveal to us our true condition. No question is more vital than this: do I have a genuine relationship with God through faith in Jesus Christ? Everything depends on our being able to answer the question with a resounding 'YES!'

Once we are certain of this, everything else falls into place, in particular the foundational truth that Christ lives in me. If Christ lives in me, then I can allow Him to live His life in me and through me, and in this way I can become the person God wants me to be. No longer do we need to be chained to our old sinful ways of behaving. We have the power within us to live a new life and to be transformed from within.

If you are uncertain about your relationship with God, why not talk to someone in our church who can help you?

**Tony Horsfall**

## THE INEXPERIENCED GARDENER

A vicar, from Islington way,  
Permitted his rose to decay.  
His wife, with more vigour

Bought a hose with a trigger  
And said to her spouse, "let us spray!"

**By Nigel Beeton**



### ACTION FOR CHILDREN

It is time for me to empty the Home Collecting Boxes.

Please hand them to the duty steward by the end of May at the latest.

Thank you for all your help in collecting for the needy children and families.



**Prayer Requests**

Please remember all are welcome to use the Prayer Book

### CALDICOT METHODIST CHURCH



### CLEANER REQUIRED

5 1/2 hours per week (Friday afternoon) @ £9.50 per hour More details on request

If interested please contact Preben

### SISTERHOOD ANNIVERSARY

MAY 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2.30pm

Speaker - Rev Preben Andersen

ALL LADIES WELCOME



Newport and Lower Wye Circuit

# TODAY

CIRCUIT SERVICE

MAY 12<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm

St JULIAN'S METHODIST CHURCH

17 St Julian's Ave, Newport' NP19 7JT

# EASTER OFFERING



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ALL VERY WELCOME



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### FIGHTING LONELINESS



Do you live alone and eat most of your meals by yourself?

## THIS WEEK

Then you may like to join us for lunch at the Church on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 12:30 pm.



For this lunch, numbers may have to be limited.

Tickets are available (at a nominal price of £3) from Rev'd Preben and Margaret (Tel: 01291 430574) and Rev'd Lin and Jack Healey (Tel: 01291 421139) or via any of the Church Stewards.

Will you need assistance in getting to the Church? – if so please tell us and we'll see what we can do to help.

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