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Prayer for the Week: August

Prayers are part of the Ignite Prayer Wave (see page 7)



Week commencing 3rd August

The Gaining Momentum - "The wave gains power... drawing with momentum towards the shore, building higher towards the surface, creating troughs and peaks until a wave forms that can only see its destination as the shoreline."

As our circuit joins together for the Celebration Weekend, our individual prayers unite and gain unstoppable momentum. Together, we form a focused "Prayer Wave" that cannot be turned back, looking directly toward our destination: a weekend filled with God's presence. Please pray for people to be excited about our future vision and mission plan, and will come together to encourage one another and develop new friendships.



Week commencing 10th August

The Ultimate Transformation - "Its crest rises and peaks, racing onto the shoreline crashing and sucking sand and shingle up the beach."

When a wave hits the shore, the landscape is permanently altered. That is our goal for this Circuit Celebration. We are not just praying to fill a schedule; we are praying for an impact that crashes through barriers, reshapes our community, and leaves our lives beautifully transformed. Please pray that we will be open to the Lord and not want our own way, but to give God the freedom to move through the Holy Spirit.



Prayer for the Week: August (cont.)

Week commencing 17th August

To Explore New Invitations - "As the tide falls back, drawing sand and stones, our feet walk down the slope and paddle in the shallow foam".

Our goal is to reclaim the landscape after the celebration weekend; that God will go before us and lead us into community, friendships, and new ways of expressing Church all for God's glory. Please pray that we will all have courage to imagine a different future and trust in God's faithfulness.



Week commencing 24th August

The Changing Tides - "As tides come in and boats go out raising their sails for future destinations..."

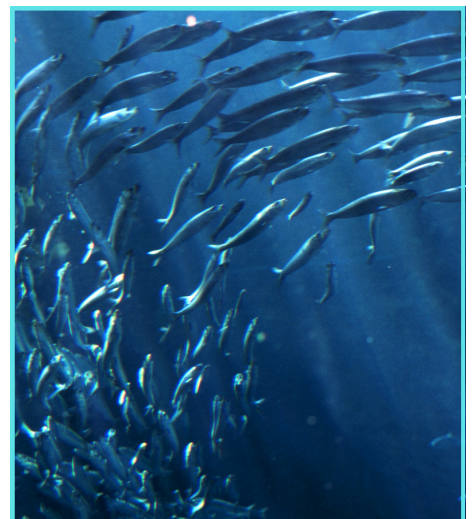
Please pray for young people receiving their exam results. As they make important decisions, or change their future plans, assure them of your love for each one of them. Be with them as they set sail for a new stage in their lives.



Week commencing 24th August

To Move Onwards - "As shoals of fish come inshore on moonlit tides our children who swim in new waters each year. Bless their hopes, talents and skills, and set them free to learn and dream of greater things."

Please pray for children moving into nurseries or reception classes; those changing classes and teachers; those changing schools or neighbourhoods. May they know God's presence and peace as they make new friends and become a friend to others.



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Georgetown Methodist Church

THURSDAY NIGHT IS MUSIC NIGHT CONCERTS

Celebrating 25 years • 2001 - 2026

**Thursday 13 August,
7.30pm**

**The Musical
Originals Singers**

Gabriella Cassidy
(soprano)

Grace Garnier
(pianist)

**FREE
ENTRY**

**Retiring collection shared between the John Lobb Memorial
Fund, Sanctuary House and the Church's mission**

Farewell Rev Dawn

By Rev Peter Goodhall

A sunny afternoon at Georgetown Methodist Church greeted the congregation gathered to say 'thank you' and 'farewell' to our Superintendent and Chair of the Channel Islands District, the Reverend Dr Dawn Saunders.

The congregation included civic dignitaries, representatives from our Circuit churches and our other faith communities. Reverend Jacky Cottrell and Pam Gidney represented the Guernsey Circuit.



L to R: Pam Gidney, Rev Dawn & Rev Jacky.



Uplifting music and song filled the church as our offering of worship and praise to God. The sermon was given by The Reverend Canon Dominic Golding, the Catholic Dean of Jersey. He preached a comforting and challenging sermon on the Bible passages found in Matthew chapter 14 verses 22-33 and 2 Corinthians chapter 5 verses 17-21. He mentioned a book entitled

'The lost art of walking on water' and pointed out our trepidation in stepping out of the boat in faith and the power of Christ to still the storms of life. Peaceful moments came to us through the artistic piano playing of Aaron Le Maistre. Words of appreciation for Dawn were given by Martha Bernstein, President of the Jersey Jewish Congregation, Robin Smith, Chief of Police, Reverend Jacky Cottrell, Pam Gidney and our Senior Circuit Steward Rosemary Parker.



Rev Peter & Rev Dawn.



Rev Dawn & Rosemary Parker.



Nick (Dawn's husband) & Dawn.

Farewell Rev Dawn cont.

A presentation of flowers and a financial gift were given to Dawn. Prayers for Dawn's family were led by Reverend Karen Le Mouton. An offering was received for the work of Sanctuary Trust and Freeda. Words of release and assurance were said between Reverend Peter and Reverend Dawn.



L to R: Sheila Birch, Aaron Le Maistre (who played at the service) & Rev Dawn.



Above left: Helen Higginson (Lay Pastor) & Rev Dawn,
Above Right: David Webster & Rev Dawn.



The warm welcome and hospitality of our Georgetown congregation was greatly appreciated. Many of the congregation stayed for drinks and delicious cake, served in the church hall afterwards.



Left near: Rev Dawn & Maureen Parris (Circuit Steward)
Left far: Helen Cooke (Circuit Steward) & Rev Dawn.



Audrey Tupper (administrator at Georgetown) & Rev Dawn.



Thank you to the MHA Jersey chefs for the wonderful cake.



Jean McLoughlin & Rev Dawn

The final words quoted John Wesley; 'Best of all is God is with us', an assurance of God's loving presence, both with those who leave and those who remain.

We pray God's richest blessing on Reverend Dawn and her family in this new chapter of their lives.

Happy Birthday Dulcie!

Dulcie Ahier, nee de Gruchy celebrated her 100th birthday on 17th July with two parties, one on the day at La Mare Vineyard and the other the following day at Greenhills.



A true Trinitaise, Dulcie was born at Rozel Farm and lived part of her childhood at Highfield, La Route de la Trinite. She spent her married life with her husband, Trinity Deputy, and later Trinity Connetable, Charles Binet Ahier at La Roulerie where they raised their three children Charles, Rosemary and Susan and then retired to La Rochelle all in Trinity.

Dulcie, was a keen and accomplished home cook, motor car enthusiast, walker and regular traveller as well as a past President of the Trinity 3 in 1. She also took up piano playing later in life.



Now in the care of Cheval Roc Nursing Home Dulcie still enjoys participating in all their activities, listening to music and socialising with the other residents as well as regularly attending worship at Ebenezer Methodist Chapel.

We hope you had a wonderful day Dulcie!

St Aubin Summer Fayre

Well done to Terry and the team at St Aubin's Methodist Church who managed to raise £1,200 for church funds at their Summer Fayre on the 27th of June.

Thank you to all who supported in any way and for making it a very enjoyable occasion.





IGNITE

Prayer Team Update - August 2026

THANK YOU to everyone who is joining the PRAYER WAVE in our COUNTDOWN to the Circuit Celebration Weekend 23rd-25th October at the Biarritz Hotel. Whether you are praying individually, as a family, and/or part of a prayer group, church or Methodist Home, your prayers are making a difference and will continue to do so.

Talking of the Circuit weekend, as everyone is booking directly with the hotel, and due to data protection, we do not know who is attending as residents and from which churches! To help both the planning team and the prayer team with their budgets and organizing resources, please can you let your church steward know if you have booked, are going to book, or coming as day attendees. Then church stewards please can you let Donna know (circuitofficejsy@gmail.com) asap. Thank you.

A reminder of the two events planned for the autumn (which may seem a long way off but is approaching very quickly): Praying to an Unlimited God in Unlimited Ways and Creating and Enhancing your Prayer Space. As resources need to be ordered for the first event, please let Karen know if you are likely to be attending the first session on 10th September as an indication of numbers would be very helpful by 17th August. Your place could then be confirmed by 7th September, if needed.

- A four-week exploration of Praying to an Unlimited God in Unlimited Ways which offers both interactive and reflective activities to help you journey into a deeper relationship with your loving God through prayer. You do not have to commit to all 4 weeks, just try the first and see how you get on. Each week stands alone.

Dates are: 10th & 17th September, 1st & 8th October 2.30-4pm (including refreshments). These will be led by Rev Karen at St Martin's Church. Please email: karenlemouton@gmail.com or telephone 881808 to book your place by 7th September.

- Creating and Enhancing your Prayer Space 3rd October at Bethlehem Church which will be open from 8am-8pm for you to come and find out! A planning meeting has now taken place and the theme for the day is God's Heart... There will be 6 prayer stations on this theme. In addition, there will be 3 examples (on other themes) of creating a prayer space either at home or in your church.

It is hoped that all churches could have someone to pop in during the day to see what is on offer, there is no need to book, you can come in and wander round at your own leisure observing and/or participating in any of the activities. There will also be a number of prayer resources (on loan) for you to look at which may be of interest to you as individuals or as a church.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

God bless you as we continue to raise a powerful huge prayer wave.

Your prayer team,

Susan, Maureen, Dianne and Karen.

ST MARTIN WEDDING

St Martin Methodist Church were blessed recently to hold a wedding, and what a beautiful and happy occasion was witnessed! The daughter of Lynne and Peter Le Seilleur, Elise married Iain Craig from Scotland where the couple will make their home. Lynne did the flowers and the church looked absolutely stunning!



ADULT LADIES DETECTIVE DRAMA

Saturday 29th August 2-4pm

Upper Church Hall £10p/p Parking - Rouge Bouillon Primary School

Come along and solve the mystery!





We invite you to join us for an
evening of spiritual refreshment

Wednesday 16th September
6 - 8.30pm @ URC Church, Sion

Come and experience one of our hope-filled workshops
designed for our upcoming South African Outreach work

Using collage, music, gentle movement and embodied scripture

*"You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring
whose waters never fail." Isaiah 58:11*

Led by the international team, catch the vision
through your own experience and with all proceeds
supporting the October trip to George, SA



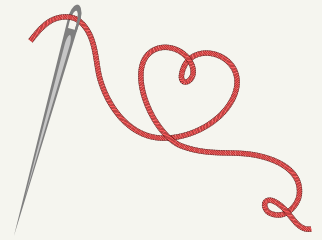
Minimum donation £20
with only 20 places available



To book email cathy@kairosarts.org
Includes refreshments and art materials.
No previous creative experience necessary

Comfort Quilts for those chilly mornings

St Martin Methodist Church have had a colourful addition to their church in the form of "Comfort Quilts". One of their Messy Church grandmothers, Lindsay Godel who regularly attends with her granddaughter Isobel, kindly donated them.



Lindsay has produced many beautiful quilts and these were made using small pieces of fabric left over from larger projects. They are to be used in the winter, if people need them on chilly mornings. A most appreciated and thoughtful gift to the Church.

Many thanks Lindsay.

thank you!

*New Choir at
St Martin*

A graphic of musical notes and a treble clef, indicating the theme of the choir.

St Martin's Methodist Church are blessed to have a new choir. This group of lovely ladies have been together for a few months now and so far have been singing at special services and Fellowship services. Thank you ladies, you enhance the worship beautifully.





Community Coffee Morning

Come join us at Georgetown Methodist Church for cake, coffee and community.

Ramped access and disabled facilities.

ALL WELCOME

**Thursday Mornings
10am to 12 noon**



Georgetown Methodist Church



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ENGAGEMENT



Generations

The last Generations session of the summer term took place on the 3rd of July, and was another fun filled affair!

Freddy the labradoodle joined, and even though he was the only '4 legged guest' on the day, he once again proved to be very much the ladies man, enjoying everyone's company and was on really good behaviour considering all the noise and activity! The guests from Chevel Roc Care Home were delighted to have Freddy to pat and keep them company.

Generations is now finished for the summer .
But will be back with their Autumn sessions that are taking place on:

- Friday 9th October
- Friday 13th November
- Friday 11th December

Everyone Welcome!



BEREAVEMENT JOURNEY COURSE

The Bereavement Journey Course that we are running again. This course is for anyone who has been bereaved either recently or a while ago.

It is a free 7-week course for adults of faith or no faith running in St. Columba's church hall Midvale Road, St Helier from 4th August - 15th September 2-4pm.

Topics include: Attachment, separation and loss, The pain and responses of grief, Anger and guilt, Coping with other's reactions to grief, Delayed and suppressed grief, Adjusting to change, Moving forward healthily, With an optional session of Faith questions (a Christian Perspective).

For more information, and to register,
contact Rev'd Carolann Birnie
Cbirnie@churchofscotland.org.uk asap.

JERSEY SCHOOL OF CHURCH MUSIC

SUMMER CONCERTS

Saturdays, 12:00 noon, St Luke's Church

25th July

Arias and Duets

Sydney Haskins, Soprano | Jack Bowley, Tenor | Michael Wynne, Piano

1st August

Lunchtime Musical Feast

Bel Canto



8th August

Frauenliebe und Leben

Judy Egge, Alto | Alison Stewart, Piano



15th August

Songs of Love and Loss

Omara Silvester, Soprano | Michael Wynne, Piano & Organ

22nd August

Galant music for Oboe and Harpsichord

Wenceslao Conejero-Calderon, Oboe | Michael Wynne, Harpsichord

29th August

Summertime Arias

Savanna Vogt, Soprano | Michael Wynne, Piano & Organ

FREE ENTRY

CIRCUIT DIARY FOR THE NEXT MONTH:

WEEKLY EVENTS:

- Monday: Drop in at St Aubin's Methodist Church - 1pm to 4pm
- Monday: Messy Bears - 9am to 12pm (Term-time only)
- Wednesday: Coffee Buzz at Samares - 10.30am
- Thursday: Community Coffee Morning at St Aubin's Methodist Church - 10am to 12.30pm
- Thursday: Community Coffee Morning at Georgetown Methodist Church - 10am to 12 noon
- Thursday: Bible study & soup lunch at St Helier Methodist Centre
- Friday: Friday Reset at St Aubin's Methodist Church - 5.30pm

SPECIAL EVENTS:

August:

- 1st - Jersey School of Music Summer Concert at St Luke's Church (page 13)
- 4th - Bereavement Journey Course at St Columba's Church Hall (page 12)
- 8th - Jersey School of Music Summer Concert at St Luke's Church (page 13)
- 13th - Georgetown Methodist Church Concert - 7.30pm (page 3)
- 13th - CIC Meeting - 7.30pm
- 15th - Jersey School of Music Summer Concert at St Luke's Church (page 13)
- 22nd - Jersey School of Music Summer Concert at St Luke's Church (page 13)
- 27th - DPC Meeting via Zoom - 7.30pm
- 29th - Adult Ladies Detective Drama at Upper Church Hall - 2-4pm (page 8)
- 29th - Jersey School of Music Summer Concert at St Luke's Church (page 13)

Remember to also check out the Circuit calendar on the Circuit website for a collection of all events happening across the circuit. If you want to have an event added, just email the circuit administrator with details of the event (circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com).

