

# Zion Methodist Church Notices Sunday 20 April 2025



# Sunday 20 April: 10.30am

- ⊕ Easter Sunday
- ♣ Holy Communion

# Sunday 27 April: 10.30am

→ Worship led by Rev Marie Greenwood

# **Easter Sunday: Soul Stories**

Alleluia, Alleluia! is our story and our song

Give us this day our daily bread that our cup overflows with enough to share...

That our souls proclaim the greatness of the Lord, that our souls overflow with a story to tell.

Give us this day our daily bread that our cup overflows with enough to share...

With words and gifts and smiles and songs, with Hallelujahs echoing from our souls.

Give us this day our daily bread that our cup overflows with enough to share...

That we may sit and stand and walk as stories are shared and truths revealed, that we may listen and hear and speak and sing and shout.

O Lord our God, our Lenten journey has ended, our Easter journey begun.

Nourished by our journey, let us share and tell your living, loving stories, we pray.

Alleluia, Alleluia for Christ is risen, Alleluia!

#### Circuit Prayer Meeting: Friday 25 April, 10.45am to 11.30am

Circuit Prayer Meeting every Friday, 10.45am to 11.30am, in the Little Chapel at Centenary Methodist Church. If you have any prayer suggestions from yourself or for others (being sensitive, of course, about what we share) please contact Mr G. Carter, Rev Marie Greenwood or Mr B. Stock who are guiding Boston Methodist Circuit's Prayer Ministry.

#### An Easter Message from the President of the Conference

https://www.methodist.org.uk/faith/easter-2025/an-easter-message-from-the-president-of-the-conference/

#### Table Top Sale at Centenary: Saturday 26 April, 10am to 2pm

Grab a bargain at Two Bridges Methodist Mission Table Top Sale at Centenary Methodist Church. Having a spring clear out? Sell your stuff and make some money! Free entry. Tea/Coffee and Refreshments available. Tables available (pre-book only) £5 contact Lynn on 07896 128727 / email <a href="mailto:nnylthorn@gmail.com">nnylthorn@gmail.com</a>

#### Linda Lawrence's Funeral: Tuesday 29 April, 11.30am

Linda Lawrence's funeral is on Tuesday 29 April at 11.30am at Boston Crematorium and all are welcome.

#### Circuit Meeting at Centenary: Tuesday 29 April, 7pm

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 29 April at 7pm in person at Centenary.

# Open Garden: Sunday 4 May, 11am to 4pm

National Garden Scheme – Garden Open for Charity – 66 Spilsby Road, Boston, PE21 9NS. Adults £5, children free. Tea, coffee & cake. More information at <a href="https://ngs.org.uk/">https://ngs.org.uk/</a>

## Pastoral Visitor Safeguarding Training: Saturday 10 May, 9.30am

This has been rescheduled for Saturday 10 May, 9.30am to 1pm at Swineshead Methodist Church. If you wish to book, please contact the circuit office or email centenarymeth@gmail.com.

#### **Christian Aid Week: Sunday 11 May to Saturday 17 May**

This year's Christian Aid Week aims to raise funds to support communities in Guatemala to adapt to climate change by introducing drought resistant crops, and globally, by asking the UK government to act on water pollution.

Last year's sponsored walk raised a sum of £563. A total of £3,452.73 was raised through street collections, church events, the sponsored walk and donations. A big thank you to all participants and to donors.

This year's sponsored walk is being arranged for Saturday 10 May, 11am start, along the bank of the river Witham from Boston (Boston Town FC Grounds, Tattershall Road) to Anton's Gowt and back.

There are many dedicated volunteers who have helped raise valuable funds over many years through street collections. However, coverage is now limited, and the group encourages donors to support the sponsored walk by taking part or by sponsoring a walker. If you are interested in joining the walkers, or wish to enquire about street collections and for street collection envelopes, please contact the circuit office: centenarymeth@gmail.com

## Ruby Wedding Celebrations at Zion: Saturday 10 May, 2.30pm

You are invited... On Saturday 10 May, Lyn and Graham Johnson will be celebrating their ruby wedding by renewing their marriage vows. The ceremony is at Zion at 2.30pm. All are welcome. Tea, coffee and festive cake in the hall afterwards. It would be great if you could be there. Colour scheme is red.

# Easter Offering Service at Hospital Bridge Chapel: Sunday 25 May, 6pm

The Circuit Easter Offering Service will take place on Sunday 25 May at 6pm, at Hospital Bridge Chapel. Envelopes will be available from individual churches in the next few weeks. This year's focus is on Education for All, Hope for All offering churches, circuits and districts a moment to consider how education transforms lives and communities, opening God's promise of hope and fullness of life for all.

#### Health & Dental Event for Fishermen & their Families: Tuesday 3 June

Free event at Boston Southside Quay on Tuesday 3 June from 10am to 4pm. Free dental checks & treatment, health checks, eyesight checks, cancer information and financial information for fishermen and their families.

# Third-century 'first hymn' released

A third-century Christian hymn has been revived for a modern audience. Known as The First Hymn, the song was discovered over 100 years ago on a scrap of papyrus in the Egyptian desert. The fragment, which contained only a few lines, was housed in a climate-controlled vault at Oxford University until biblical scholar John Dickson uncovered its significance in 2022. The hymn, dating back to the mid-200s, predates the Council of Nicaea, which formalised the doctrine of the Trinity in 325 AD. To reintroduce the hymn to modern Christians, Dickson has teamed up with renowned worship songwriters Chris Tomlin and Ben Fielding. Together, they transformed the ancient text into a new version while preserving the original words. You can listen to it and find out more at: https://www.thefirsthymnmovie.com/

Weekly activit	ties at Zion	
	10am-12pm	Knit & Knatter
Mondays	2pm-3pm	Zumba dance class
	7.15pm	Badminton (Sep-Apr)
	6pm-7.15pm	Beavers and Cubs
Tuesdays	7pm-9pm	Scouts
	7.30pm	'The Way' Fellowship Group (1st and 3rd Tue)
	9.45am	Boston Community Health Walk
Wednesdays	5pm-6pm	Rainbows
	6pm-7.15pm	Brownies
	7pm	Short Mat Bowls (Sep-May)
	7.15pm-8.45pm	Guides
Thursdays	9.30am-11.30am	Coffee Morning
	12.30pm	Community Lunch (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thu; booking required)
Fridays	10am	Trinity Badminton Group
	2pm-4pm	Come & Meet Each Other (CAMEO) – table top games, puzzles



Awesome artists. Amazing variety. A fantastic evening out in Boston!
Centenary Methodist Church, Red Lion St, Boston PE21 6NY 01205 355543
Free entry. Generous donations on the night needed to cover costs please.

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1	4th June	Pat Campbell - An evening of non stop hits!	
	11th June	Swineshead Silver Band	
	18th June	Charlene Allsop - Piano	
1	25th June	Louth Male Voice Choir	
	2nd July	Emilija Karailute - Kanklés	
	9th July	Coastal Community Choir	
	16th July	Haven High Academy - Summer Season Spectacular	
	23rd July	Boston Salvation Army Band	
	30th July	ROCK CHOIR - Choirs led by Lulu Grainger	
	6th August	Lincs Soul Collective	
١	13th August	Julia and Steve - Vocals and Violin	
	20th August	Anthony Baldery - Organ Concert	
	27th August	ABBA Infinity	

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