



## Zion Methodist Church Notices Sunday 24 May 2026



### **Sunday 24 May: 10.30am**

- ✝ Pentecost Vine Worship
- ✝ Charity collection: Centrepoint

### **Sunday 31 May: 10.30am**

- ✝ Worship led by Rev Dr Val Ogden
- ✝ Holy Communion

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### **Pentecost and Aldersgate: Sunday 24 May**

Ahead of Wesley Day, the President and Vice-President have released a video asking, "What warms your heart?", remembering the day when John Wesley's heart was "strangely warmed".

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/resources/videos/wesley-day-aldersgate-sunday-2026/>

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### **A prayer at Pentecost for Aldersgate Sunday**

Holy Spirit come again this Pentecost: Out of the depth we call. Cut through the noise to still our souls and warm our hearts. Open our ears to hear and understand. Give us to unhurried work as those assured by grace.

Holy Spirit come again this Pentecost: Out of the depth we call. Prevent us from harm, raise our hope, comfort our lament. Persist in us as conscience, care and love. As you awoke our brother John, awaken us: from his Aldersgate into our own. Amen.

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### **Centenary "Big Celebration": Sunday 24 May, from 1pm**

Come, see and celebrate all the amazing work that's been done with the completion of the upgrade project at Centenary. Building Tours from 1pm to 2.30pm. The "Big Celebration" from 3pm to 4pm. #Pentecost #Aldersgate

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### **Pentecost Songs of Praise on BBC One: Sunday 24 May, 1.15pm**

This week's Songs of Praise will celebrate Pentecost Sunday, with Aled Jones visiting John Wesley's New Room in Bristol to explore the extraordinary story and legacy of John and Charles Wesley. The programme will broadcast on BBC One on Sunday at 1.15pm and will be available afterwards on BBC iPlayer.

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### **Thank you**

Thank you to all who turned out last week for the Annual Zion Spring Clean. It is very much appreciated.

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### **Mission & Outreach Meeting Update from Monday 18 May**

Thank you to those of you that attended the meeting. As a result of our discussions and review of the website, there will be a few small tweaks over the next few weeks, making sure everything is up to date. Let us know any additional suggestions.

We are looking to see if we can add some photos to the site of church activities, groups etc...Now it's your turn to get involved. Anyone with a phone or camera can help by taking photos, (MAKING SURE YOU HAVE PERMISSION FROM PEOPLE if they are captured). These can be sent to [zionmethodistchurch@live.co.uk](mailto:zionmethodistchurch@live.co.uk) for us to add to the website on the different pages.

Everyone was happy with the layout of the indoor noticeboards.

A suggestion came that we ask 'Simply Boston' if we can have an article about the various activities and events that we have weekly, in one of their magazines. We will be looking into this.

UPDATE FROM PREVIOUS M & O MEETING:

- 'Threads Through the Bible' is now advertised on Lincoln Cathedral's website and hopefully a trip will be organised soon for a day in July or August.
- We are hoping to open for Heritage Weekend in September.
- More details to follow in due course.

UPDATE FROM ALINA

The Youth Group is going really well but we need more volunteers before we can publicise it more widely, so that we can safely accommodate larger numbers. Please come forward if you would like to help.

In particular, we need more volunteers to help with the catering on Fridays from 6.30pm. This is for around 10 people and there is a list of dates near the door in the coffee lounge for volunteers to sign up please. The food options on the list are just a guide to the type of food that would be suitable, but please feel free to choose something else, the food doesn't have to match the date. For example, pasta, jacket potatoes, wraps, tortilla pizzas, curry, soup, hot dogs or burgers.

Alina updated on some planned events at Elmwood House Care Home – a craft afternoon coming up in the next few weeks and then an open event with a stall to sell items on 20 June. Please speak to Alina with any ideas for items to sell and if you would like to join her. She also updated on a planned visit to 3Generate in Birmingham in October.

There is so much going on and it's wonderful to see. Please keep Alina and her work in your prayers and continue to support her. Talking of which...

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### **'Faith in the Fire' film at Zion: Monday 1 June, 2.30pm**

Join us at the community screening of "Faith in the Fire", a moving story exploring faith, resilience, courage and hope. Watch the film together, followed by gentle reflection and optional discussion, tea and refreshments. Open to all – church and wider community. Please note, some themes may be emotional. You are welcome to take part at your own pace. Entry free – everyone welcome!

Also, Alina will need 2 or 3 volunteers to help with this event please.

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## **Swineshead Coffee and Cake: Saturday 30 May, 10am to 11.30am**

At Swineshead Methodist Church, opposite Swineshead Co-op Supermarket and adjacent to Swineshead Library. Coffee and yummy cakes and biscuits on Saturday 30 May from 10am to 11.30am. Scored 10/10 for friendly atmosphere. Café setting with comfy chairs and a great welcome.

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## **Centenary's Summer Season of Music 2026: June to August 2026**

The concerts will run every Wednesday evening, from 3 June to 26 August, 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Free entry. Donations welcome on the night to help cover costs. You can also support the work of Centenary in the community at:

<https://www.centenarymethodistchurchboston.org.uk/donate>

- 3 June: Kirton Brass Band
  - 10 June: Emilija Karaliute – Kanklės
  - 17 June: Three Men and a Lady – A cappella
  - 24 June: Boston Choral Society
  - 1 July: Emily Han – Concert Pianist
  - 8 July: Centenary Showcase with Rev Val
  - 15 July: David Ivory – Organ
  - 22 July: Coastal Community Choir
  - 29 July: Boston Salvation Army Band
  - 5 August: ROCK CHOIR – Choirs led by Lulu Grainger
  - 12 August: Lincs Soul Collective
  - 19 August: Joanne Shields – 50 years of popular music
  - 26 August: Pat Campbell – an evening of non-stop hits!
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## **Reshaping Roadshows: Friday 12 June**

Rev. Angy Long and members of the Reshaping Working Groups will be in the Boston Circuit on Friday 12 June. This is an open meeting for anyone to come along and hear more about the possible reshaping of our 8 circuits into 1, to comment and ask questions. All are welcome.

Please continue to remember Rev. Angy and all who are working diligently on this very large and complex issue in your prayers.

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## **Our Story, Our Song' Art Exhibition: Art in the Lincolnshire District**

The Lincolnshire District asked each of their churches to submit artistic reflections inspired by the presidential theme for this year, Our Story, Our Song. The result was almost 40 pieces of artwork including paintings in oil and watercolour, needlework, poetry, woodwork and glass.

The exhibition was seen in all its splendour for the first time at the Spring District Synod and is now on tour around a number of circuits over the summer. "I always knew there were lots of talented artists in the district," says Angy Long, Chair of Lincolnshire District, "but this response has been amazing. The theme has really touched people's hearts.

"We have stories expressing the work done in various churches and personal reflections on faith, the nature of church and important personal relationships."

Find out more and see images of these three pieces online at: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/about/our-stories/our-story-our-song-everyones-art/>

- 'Crucified Christ of Nails' – The Revd Graham Miles, Superintendent Minister, East Lincolnshire Circuit. An image of Jesus made in nails, where the nails represent humankind and the community of Christians who gather.
- 'Christ the Good Shepherd' – Kate O'Flynn. A mixed media artwork on canvas.
- 'Signing Blessed Assurance' – Ruskington Methodist Church. A recorded performance of singing and signing, available to watch online.

Weekly activities at Zion		
<b>Mondays</b>	10am-12pm	Knit & Knatter
	2pm-3pm	Dance for Fun
	7.15pm	Badminton (Sep-Apr)
<b>Tuesdays</b>	6pm-7.15pm	Beavers and Cubs
	7pm-9pm	Scouts
	7pm-8.30pm	'The Way' Fellowship Group (1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue)
<b>Wednesdays</b>	9.45am	Boston Community Health Walk
	5pm-6pm	Rainbows
	6pm-7.15pm	Brownies
	7pm	Short Mat Bowls (Sep-May)
	7.15pm-8.45pm	Guides
<b>Thursdays</b>	9.30am-11.30am	Coffee Morning
	12.30pm	Community Lunch (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thu; booking required)
	6.30pm-7.30pm	Pilates
	6.45pm-8.15pm	AA
<b>Fridays</b>	10am	Trinity Badminton Group (Sep-Dec)
	2pm-4pm	Come & Meet Each Other (CAMEO) – table top games, puzzles – (Jul + Sep-Dec)
	6pm-7.30pm	Zion Youth Group – age 10 to 16 years
<b>Saturdays</b>	11.45am-1.15pm	AA