

Good Morning Church - 4th October 2026 - 27th in Ordinary Time

Good Morning Church,

It's Good Morning Church time again – and this Sunday our readings take us into vineyards, fruit, commandments, and the rather uncomfortable question of what we do with all that God has entrusted to us!

The image of the vineyard runs through several of our readings. In Isaiah, God lovingly prepares a vineyard and then looks for good grapes – but finds something quite different. In Matthew, Jesus uses another vineyard story to challenge those who have been entrusted with God's work. And Paul, writing to the Philippians, reminds us that all the things we might think give us status or importance are nothing compared with knowing Christ and growing in his love.

Perhaps there's a question for us in all of this: **What fruit is our life bearing?** Not simply what do we believe, or what do we say, but what difference is our faith making in the world around us?

Paul puts it beautifully:

"I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection..."

There is always more to discover, more growing to do, and more ways in which God can use us.

And this Sunday gives us a particularly good opportunity to pray for those who are discovering what faith might mean for them. **3Generate**, the Methodist children and young people's conference, is taking place this weekend. So please pray for all the young people gathered there, and for the leaders, volunteers and everyone involved in making the weekend happen. Pray that it will be a place where young people feel welcomed, listened to and valued – and where they can discover something of God's love for them.

So, as we gather this Sunday, let's bring our own lives, our churches and our wider Methodist family before God, and ask what kind of fruit God might be longing to see growing among us.

Have a good week – and see you soon.

Phil

Sunday Services - 27th in Ordinary Time

This Sunday, our services are:

Bromyard - 10:30am: Mr Tony Pitt

Ledbury - 10:30am: Mrs Linda Williams

Ledbury - 2:30pm: Mr Brian Hudson - Relaxed

St John's - 10:30am: Rev'd Martyn Sanders (Stream Source)

[Lectionary readings](#)

The streaming this Sunday will be from St John's.

[Watch the live stream live on YouTube](#)

[Sunday Worship Page on the Circuit Website](#)

Please pray for our preachers and worship leaders as they prepare to lead worship.

Next Sunday – 11th October 2026 – 28th in Ordinary Time

Next Sunday, our services are:

Bromyard - 2:30pm: Rev'd Phil Warrey - Holy Communion

Ledbury - 10:30am: Rev'd Dan Bishop - Holy Communion (Stream Source)

Ledbury - 6pm: Dr Gillian & Mr Stephen Chowns - Taizé Style Worship

St John's - 10:30am: Rev'd Phil Warrey - Holy Communion

[Lectionary readings](#)

Action of the Week - Consider Joining

**Join the conversation on reparative justice: **[Get involved - The Methodist Church](#)

How could the Methodist Church respond to its historical links to the transatlantic trade in enslaved African people and their ongoing impact today? Have your say this autumn, as part of a consultation taking place across the Methodist Church. This will feed into work that is being brought to the Methodist Conference in 2027.

- Run your own local discussion, using the guided session materials that are now available on the Methodist Church website
- Take part in an online discussion (15 October and 11 November)
- Join a free, in-person event in York (10 October) or Bristol (14 November)
- Share your views through our online survey

You can book a place at any of our events, or download resources, here: [Get involved - The Methodist Church](#)

Coming Up This Week

Monday 5th:

Ledbury - 10:30am - 1pm - Place of Welcome, 2pm - Film Afternoon, 2pm - Wellbeing Art Group

Tuesday 6th:

St John's - 10am - Twins & Tots

Ledbury - 2:30pm - Church Council Meeting

Wednesday 7th:

Bromyard - 10am - 2pm - Place of Welcome

St John's - 12:15pm for 12:30pm - 2pm - Lunch Club

Thursday 8th:

Ledbury - 12noon - Lunch Club

Friday 9th:

St John's - 7pm - Singing for Fun

Saturday 10th:

Ledbury - 10am - Worship that works for all Session

St John's - 10am - 12pm - Place of Welcome

Sunday 11th:

Services as listed above

The Vine at Home - Ordinary 27

[The Vine at Home for Sunday 4th October 2026](#)

Ledbury Methodist Notices

[Ledbury Methodist Notices 23/9/26](#)

Methodist Connexional Weekly Newsletter

[Newsletter for 1/10/26](#)

Homelessness Sunday - 4th October

This year, Homelessness Sunday is on the 4th October . A range of resources are available, including a sermon and lament for our housing emergency written by the Chair of the Housing Memorial Group, Rev'd Ian Rutherford. There is also information on how churches can be involved in the work of the Housing Memorial Group.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/resources/seasons-and-themes/special-sundays/homelessness-sunday/>

World Mental Health Day - 10th October 2026

A Prayer for World Mental Health Day, Saturday, October 10, 2026.

Thank you God for your assurance that your love for me is stronger than all the stress and anguish caused by:

not having enough time to get everything done;

not having the health and fitness to do the things I would like to do;

not having enough money to provide the family with all I want for them;

not being able to change situations that are out of my control.

For all the times when I feel weary, lonely and worthless I thank you that your Spirit just gently lets me know your love for me is stronger... so much stronger.

Amen.

The Revd Stephen Normanton - Founder of the nation-wide peer support charity

[PeerTalk](#)

[World Mental Health Day](#)

WhatsApp Groups

Each of our churches have a WhatsApp group, if you'd like to join please ask and we will add you.

Vacancies

We have the following vacancies in our circuit and churches:-

Circuit Archivist - [Role Description](#) - [More Details](#)

If you would like to know more about any of these vacancies, please speak to Phil.

Circuit Admin & Ledbury Admin

Lynne will be generally working her 12 hours across Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings.

She can be contacted at admin@herefordshiremethodists.org.uk

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Church Administrator - Ledbury Methodist Church

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Links

The links below are to websites or adobe cloud documents (all underlined in blue) A mouse click on the link will open the relevant documents for you or direct you to the websites referred to. These have all been checked and are safe links to click.

[Watch the live stream live on YouTube at 10:30am](#)

[Sunday Worship Page on the Circuit Website](#)

[Click to watch any of our services again, or refer your friends and families to our services](#)

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