

Queen Street Methodist Church Horncastle

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Notices/Newsletter - November 2025

BREATHE DEEPLY AND REMEMBER YOU ARE HERE ON PURPOSE

The same mind that designed
the stars placed in you the abi-
lity to *create, heal, and*
bring light to others.

May wisdom guide your choices,
courage steady your steps,
and *compassion* soften
every word you speak.

Walk forward knowing that your
small acts of kindness ripple
further than you can imagine.

Welcome : Friendship : Community

It's good to see you. We hope that you will
stay for tea or coffee after the service

New to the area?

Please let us know, we won't push you, but
will introduce you to all that's on offer here
so that you are free to choose

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 **COFFEE**  **CAKE**  **CHAT** 

**Tuesdays 10-11.30am**

£1.50 donation - tea/coffee cake  
friends, quizzes, board games, crafts

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QS WALKING BUDDIES

Fortnightly walks followed by
refreshments, when "non-walkers" join in
Speak to Stewart, email Marion

marion@mmhome.me.uk

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### PRESENTATION - Bomb Disposal

**7 November - 7pm - £5 on the door**

History of bomb disposal, personal  
experiences : Followed by tea and biscuits

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CIRCUIT SERVICE

Sunday November 16th - 3pm

Bailgate Methodist Church, Lincoln LN1 3AR

(Car parking nearby)

<https://www.bailgatechurch.org/>

Followed by refreshments

A real opportunity to integrate and feel part of our wider community

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### COFFEE MORNING

**Saturday November 22nd - 10am to 12 noon**

"Winter Pastimes"

Jigsaw puzzles, books, new wool and more....

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MID Lincs CIRCUIT TRAVELLING GUILD 2025

D - 3rd Nov - Revd Richard - "Journeying in Faith" - Bardney

S - 17th Nov - Marion M - "Fun With Dance Steps" - Horncastle

CS - 1st Dec - Revd Ian Brown - RAF Chaplain at Coningsby - Woodhall Spa

D - 15th Dec - Carol Service - FOOD - Horncastle

S - 19th Dec - TG Christmas dinner - Buzz Stop - book with Les les.robob@btinternet.com

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## SERVICES

(10.30am start *unless otherwise noted* - please note variations)

November 2nd - Mrs Julie Close-Mitchell

9th - **10am** - Remembrance Sunday - United at St Mary's

16th - Mr Brian Davies

23rd - Mrs Pauline Brown

30th - **ADVENT 1** - Rev Ian Kemp

**Friday December 5th - 6.30pm**

Carols on the lawn with the **Salvation Army band**. Tea/coffee mince pies

December 7th - **ADVENT 2** - Mrs Kate O'Flynn

14th - **ADVENT 3** - Mr Alan Measures

21st - **4pm** - Carol service - Rev Ian Kemp

Christmas Day - **10am** - Mrs Kate O'Flynn

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TANGLEWOOD

OUTREACH service

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## PRAYER BREAKFAST

Costa coffee shop - November 15th - 9-10am (**3rd** Saturday each month)

Ecumenical - Open prayer, breakfast and fellowship – all welcome

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FOR YOUR DIARY

 Friday **December 5th** - 6.30pm - Carols on the lawn with the Salvation Army band 🎵

(**Band in the foyer if inclement weather**)

Tea and mince pies - donations to be shared between QS chapel and the band's nominated local charity

See our Winter Wonderland display

(*Event included in Winter Wonderland publicity and Horncastle Matters*)

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## GIRLS' BIGADE

Deacon Helen is walking 2,026 miles by March 2026, and is aiming to collect £2,026 by then - her mission is to help keep Girls' Brigades alive and thriving for the future.

An organisation for guidance, encouragement and adventure for the girls.

Just Giving page, <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/helen-gardner-2026>

Or for those of you who aren't able to access it, let Marion know.

Thankyou for your donations so far. The Just Giving page may need updating by now.

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Remembrance Day



Remembrance Day (Armistice Day) marks the agreement to end the fighting of World War I and was signed on November 11, 1918. We hold a two-minute silence at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in remembrance of the sacrifices made by all service members and civilians in all conflicts since 1914.

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## VOLUNTEERING

Volunteers are still needed for:-

The **coffee** rota - some **gardening** - aspects of **stewarding**

Please speak to Wendy if you'd like to help with *absolutely anything*

## LINKS

- **Lincolnshire Methodists**  
<https://www.lincolnshiremethodist.org.uk/>
- **The Methodist Church**  
<https://www.methodist.org.uk/>
- **Churches Together in All Lincolnshire**  
<http://www.ctal.org.uk/index.html>
- **Daily prayers**  
<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/prayer/prayer-of-the-day/>
- **Pray as you go, daily prayer podcast in the Ignatian style**  
<https://pray-as-you-go.org>

- **The Vine**

A Free resource funded by donations from individuals, churches and Twelvebaskets.  
Open the link and click on a date for resources and Lectionary readings.

<https://theworshipcloud.com/terms/free-weekly-resource>

- **The World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women**  
<https://wfmucw.org>

- **Bible Society**

The **Bible Society** founding is due to 3 very different individuals: a determined Welsh girl: a visionary Welsh pastor: a campaigning MP. The BS - 'the Bible is God's gift to the world and everyone can discover its message for themselves.' <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/>

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## CONTACT

Notices/Publicity - [marion@mmhome.me.uk](mailto:marion@mmhome.me.uk) December notices by **20th** November please

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## GIFT AID

**Are you a tax payer?** Do you know that if you complete a **Gift Aid Declaration** form the Church can claim the tax back on your donations? (If you don't pay enough tax to cover the claim you would be required to pay the difference to HMRC via a declaration on your tax return.) Donations should either be paid directly into the Church's bank account by standing order (referencing your name) or via the collection plate in a numbered envelope supplied by the Gift Aid Secretary. Anyone interested in joining the scheme should speak to **Christine Panton, Gift Aid Secretary**. If you are not a tax payer, tax can still be reclaimed for donations by cash or cheque on the collection plate. (**NO £50 NOTES can be accepted.**) **Please note** donations paid directly into the bank are only admissible for tax reclamation if a Gift Aid Declaration form has been completed and lodged in the Church's safe. **Christine Panton**

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## Ecumenical - Churches Together - Horncastle Matters

Quarterly magazine, *by the community for the community*, delivered to all business and residential properties in the town's catchment, mainly by youngsters to give them a work ethic (paid at the legal rate) and adults who volunteer. Some surrounding villages contribute and take copies to distribute there. The designer and printing firm are each paid per 'job'. Editorial, treasurer, secretary - all volunteers. **Charles Patrick** chairs. **Sources** of income - ads, sponsors, grants, donations from various bodies and individuals. The magazine's **Constitution** describes the ethos, which is to help address loneliness and isolation in our community. There's always a tight balance to make ends meet. **HM** is a charity and does not make a profit.

Methodist representation:- **Christine P** (secretary) **Marion M** (Editorial) **Revd Richard** (Clergy)



## Recent events and walks....



Harvest Festival tableau



Fitting the AV system



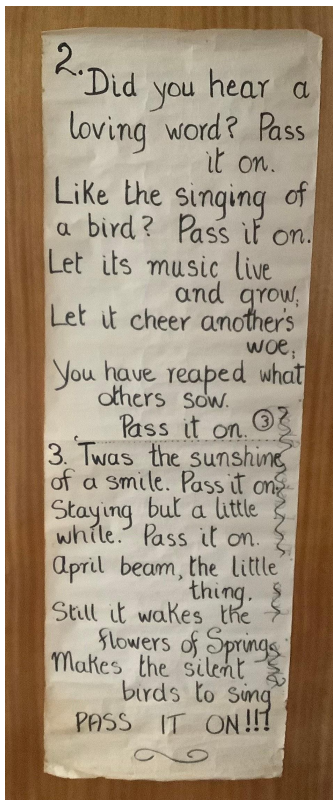
The Mill Rundle, Alford/Well



Ostler's Wood, Roughton  
Woodhall Spa walk



Shirley all in red, merging  
with the display board



'Through the Decades' event  
Copy/use this link for YouTube  
[▶ Horncastle Methodist Church](#)

## **An update on the 1District/1 Circuit work**

A member from each of the 3 working groups met with the District Council last week to update us on their work so far. Each of the groups has begun to produce a work plan and note the areas in which there is some overlapping interest, especially where conversations will need to be had with other people in the Circuits. Some information has already been gathered and next meetings scheduled.

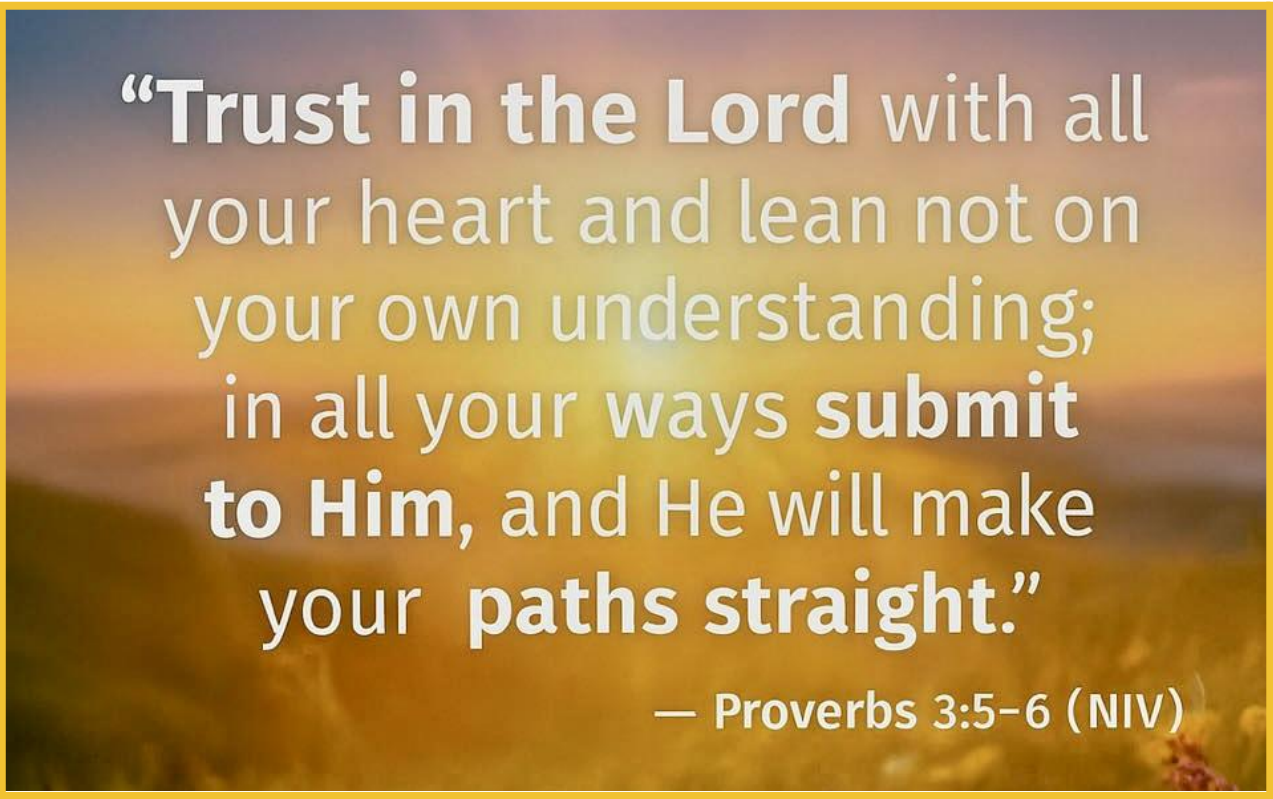
One of the key areas we touched on was the need to do some far-sighted thinking about what might be possible to reshape our work and then to come back to our governing documents to see what might be possible within the framework and legislation of the Methodist Church. In other words we are not starting from the question of 'what are we allowed to do?' But what might we want to do and could this happen? To this end the Governance Group has re-named itself the 'Making it Work' group with the positivity that this encompasses.

In a further renaming, Mission and Discipleship is now Discipleship and Mission. A small but significant change, noting the priority of our own understanding of being disciples (learners) of Jesus which will then enable and influence our carrying out of God's work in our communities.

The Resources group continues to be the Resources group.

Please continue to hold the groups in your prayers. They have a significant amount of work to do, some of which is quite complex.

Thank you, God bless, Angy 13 October 2025



**“Trust in the Lord with all  
your heart and lean not on  
your own understanding;  
in all your ways submit  
to Him, and He will make  
your paths straight.”**

— Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

**The new circuit, a much larger area, means that we have lost the old website and now have a new one**

**Find out what's happening by opening these links**

**Home page of new website**

<https://www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk/>

**Queen Street chapel, Horncastle**

<https://www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk/churches/horncastle.html>

**Plan**

<https://www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk/lib/file-954252.pdf>

**Monthly news/events**

<https://www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk/news/monthly-events.html>

**The new circuit churches**

<https://www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk/churches.html>

**Map of the (new) circuit and where it is in the county**

<https://www.lincolnmethodist.org.uk/circuit-map.html>

