



The Trinity Ecumenical Partnership



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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER

ST ALBANS

10.00 am Methodist morning service led by Revd Mandy Briggs with Holy Communion

7.00 pm Fusebox led by Karen Burridge

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am Sunday Praise with Local Ministry Team and the Worship Band

SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER

ST ALBANS

10.00 am Local Arrangement Methodist morning service

6.30 pm Clergy led Holy Communion

HOLY TRINITY

11.00 am The Source, clergy led intergenerational service

FUTURE SERVICES AT ST ALBANS

SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER – Methodist morning service led by Neil Grecian and Afternoon tea service at 4.00pm preceded by tea and cake at 3.00pm.

SUNDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER - United Harvest Festival service at Holy Trinity at 11.00am and Evening Prayer with Local Ministry Team

NEWS ITEMS/DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



ED HAS A HOME!

You will know from recent weekly updates that our partners at *The Door*, Stroud's youth charity, have been seeking accommodation for Ed during his year-long internship. We are delighted to share that a home has now been found for him, and he can begin his work here in Stroud!

Praise the Lord for this provision, and heartfelt thanks to Ceinwen from our Holy Trinity, Stroud community who has so generously offered him a room. Please do remember both Ed and Ceinwen in your prayers as they begin this new season together.



NATIONAL WEEK OF PRAYER 2025 – 6TH–14TH SEPTEMBER

This is a Church of England supported movement that invites Christians across the nation to come together in a dedicated week of prayer. It's a wonderful opportunity for all of us to pause, reflect, and lift our hearts to God, uniting in spirit with countless others across the land.

You can get involved individually by visiting the

official website here: <https://www.nationalweekofprayer.uk/> – there are resources, reflections, and ideas for prayer that can guide you each day.

I warmly encourage you to set aside some time to join in, whether at home, in church, or with others, as we pray for our communities, our nation, and the world. There is real power in united prayer—let's be part of it!



WORSHIP AT HOME

A monthly online Circuit service for those who are unable to get to church is available. The service can be accessed at the link below...

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCMDrEX10xKtamhYz0v6fC5Q>

A new service will be uploaded on the 2nd Sunday of each month and all of them, and those uploaded during the Covid lockdown, are always available via the same link. Please feel free to share the link with anyone who might use it. Pastoral Visitors may like to make those who are unable to get to church aware of the return of these services.



ECUMENICAL HARVEST FESTIVAL – SUNDAY 28TH
SEPTEMBER AT HOLY TRINITY 11.00AM

As usual we will be supporting our local food bank with our harvest festival collection. The foods that they most need at the moment are:

Tinned Ham, Fray Bentos Pie, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Potatoes, Nuts or Crisps, Biscuits, Fruit Juice (long-life), Milk (UHT), Shampoo & Conditioner, Laundry Detergent.

We will also be happy to accept donations of fresh food which will be taken to Marah. Thank you.

THE QUIET REVIVAL

Come and hear about a groundbreaking survey that suggests people are turning towards faith on **Wednesday 10th September 7.30pm at Dursley Tabernacle**

The Quiet Revival, a study conducted by the Bible Society and published in April this year, has created quite a stir. It suggests that the long story of church decline in England and Wales is over. It claims that church attendance has risen by 50 per cent over the last six years and particularly young adult men are increasingly turning to the Church, especially to the Roman Catholic and Pentecostal versions of it.

The report been hailed and celebrated by Christian commentators, perhaps in a spirit of relief, thankful for some good news at last. The media has jumped on the report with headlines proclaiming that Gen Z are going to church! Humanists have been dismissive of its findings and questioned its methodology. Is this the first signs of a turn in our culture away from sceptical unbelief? Or are the research findings more complex and nuanced? How should churches respond to the report and the apparent warmer attitude to the Christian faith and what it offers?

Rhiannon McAleer, who co-authored the report, lives in Dursley, and will give a seminar on the Reports' findings at Dursley Tabernacle on Wednesday 10th September at 7.30pm. An opportunity to come and discuss with her this much discussed and groundbreaking research. Free and open to all. More information: minister@dursleytab.org.uk





OPEN DAY

You are warmly invited to visit our new offices

SATURDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER
10AM - 2PM

Unit 3, The Cross, Parliament Street,
Stroud, GL5 1DP

Meet staff and volunteers
Tour our new offices
Treasure Hunt
Drinks and Cake
Games
Competitions
And more!



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REGULAR MEETINGS



PRAYERTIME

Please come and spend Prayertime in private and shared prayer on **Monday evening at 7.30pm – 8.30pm**. In St Albans Church, starting with brief prayerful socialisation over tea and biscuits. Folk from all churches and none are very welcome.



HOLY TRINITY SATURDAY MORNING PRAYER TIME

Do join us on every third Saturday morning for a time of informal prayer, including prayers for those on our Prayer Board, the next date is: **Saturday 20th September 9.30am-11.00am**



CHRISTIAN CONVERSATION

Christian Conversation continues on **Wednesday 17th August at 7.30pm**. For more information, please contact Stuart



CRAFT AND CHAT GROUP

The next Craft and Chat group is on **Monday 15th September from 2.30pm-4.30pm** at St Alban's, generally in the Wesley Room. Everyone welcome, to craft and/or to chat. Help available and beginner crafters welcome. More info from Karen Burridge, 752839, kburridge1@sky.com.



FRIDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

Friday Night Fellowship will next be meeting on **Friday 5th September at 7.30pm** at Adrian and Jacqui's home. Food will be shared and fellowship enjoyed. All welcome and lifts can be arranged.



SATURDAY AFTERNOON SOCIAL

Our next meeting will be on **Saturday 6th September** from 3.30pm onwards with our usual bring and share tea. Do come and join us for an enjoyable afternoon of friendship and games. **All ages** are welcomed; bring your own favourite board games along with you or your knitting or whatever you like. It is simply an opportunity to spend some time together.