



# The Methodist Church Caversham

@ Gosbrook Road & Caversham Heights

You are invited to worship with us at our churches in Caversham this Sunday. A warm welcome awaits you at both churches.

## Thought for the Week...

"Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope."  
Romans 5:3-4

## Sunday 29th September 2024

26th in Ordinary Time

### Gosbrook Road

10.30 Led by Nancy Quinnell

#### The Service Today...

##### *Bible Readings -*

- Jeremiah 32: 1-3a & 6-15
- Luke 16: 19-31

##### *Hymns -*

- StF 293 "All heaven declares"
- StF 295 "Alleluia, alleluia"
- StF 185 "Sing we the King who is coming to reign"
- StF 61 "Our God is a great big God"
- StF 78 "Give thanks with a grateful heart"
- StF 404 "God's spirit is in my heart"

### Caversham Heights

[Service link - shown live on YouTube](#)

10.30 Led by Rev'd Jeongsook Kim with Holy Communion

#### The Service Today...

##### *Bible Readings -*

- Esther 7: 1-10 & 9: 20-23
- James 5: 13-20

##### *Hymns -*

- StF 83 "Praise, my soul, the King of heaven"
- StF 51 "Great is thy faithfulness, O God my father"
- StF 531 "What a friend we have in Jesus"
- StF 588 "I come with joy, a child of God"
- StF 455 "All my hope on God is founded"

**What's On This Week**

### **Monday 30th September**

14.00 - 16.00 The Art & Crafts Group at Gosbrook Road

### **Tuesday 1st October**

10.00 - 11.30 Babies & Toddlers at Gosbrook Road

### **Wednesday 2nd October**

10.30 - 12.00 Coffee Morning at Caversham Heights

### **Thursday 4th October**

10.00 Prayer Meeting at Gosbrook Road

## **Next Sunday**

27th in Ordinary Time  
Harvest Festival

### **Gosbrook Road**

10.30 Led by Rev'd Martin Beukes

### **Caversham Heights**

10.30 Shared service at Gosbrook Road

## **Home Groups**

**Sonning Common House Group** currently meets on certain Friday evenings at 19.30.  
Next meeting 18th October at Judith's. For details please [email](#)

**Worship & Study Group** meets on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 20.00 at the home of  
Ken & Barbara Macrae. For details please [email](#)

**Fellowship through Prayer and Bible Study** meets monthly on Thursdays at 10.30 at  
the home of Brenda & Martin Coates. For details please [email](#)

## **General Notices**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

At the Church stewards meeting on Monday 9th September it was agreed that both churches would adopt the modern version of The Lord's Prayer as it appears in the Methodist Worship Book.

### **Vital Supplies being taken to Ukraine**

A recent service at Caversham Heights was led by Rev'd Dr James Mather. On behalf of the local charity UKRAINE CHAIN on Tuesday (17th) he travelled to Cluj in Northern Romania. There he joined Adi and they drove a van full of supplies over 900 miles to the Donetsk region to deliver food and other vital supplies to civilians living on the front line.

Please remember this journey and those involved in your prayers. For further information and photographs go to the website [www.ukrainechain.org](http://www.ukrainechain.org).

## **Church Finances**

The church accounts for the year ended 2024 reflect an overall surplus but this is only due to a donation made of £15,000. Without this we would have a deficit. If you have

not reviewed your giving to the church for some time can I ask you to review this as the church suffers the effect inflation as we all do personally.

We are asked to support the young in our circuit by sponsoring them to attend 3Gen on 4th-6th October at the NEC in Birmingham. Through the 3Generate process, children and young people are equipped to become participants in advocacy, change and growth and have an impact in their local Methodist communities.

The cost for each child is £172, if you are able to sponsor a child or just make a contribution then please either place your contribution in the yellow envelopes marked 3Gen or give your contribution to one of the stewards.

Thank you, Ian (Church Treasurer)

### **Gift Aid Forms**

Please consider filling in a Gift Aid form. This enables us to claim tax back from HMRC thus increasing the value of your giving by 25%. It costs you nothing. All details are stored safely and never used for any other purpose. Contact: [treasurer@cavershammethodist.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@cavershammethodist.org.uk) or speak to a Steward on Sunday mornings.

### **Piano Recital by David Jenkins - CANCELLED**

Unfortunately the piano concert planned for Friday 27th September will now not take place as David has COVID. It is hoped that the concert will take place on the afternoon of Friday 25th October, starting at 14.30. Further information about tickets, etc will be available next week. If you have a query please email [concert@cavershammethodist.org.uk](mailto:concert@cavershammethodist.org.uk) Our apologies for any inconvenience.

### **An Invitation to a Wedding**

I'm marrying my partner Adrian at Caversham Heights on Saturday 28th September at 14.00 and we'd be delighted if members of the church wanted to come. Thank you!

Peter and Adrian  
Peter (Our Organist)

### **Harvest Festival**

Our Harvest Festival will be a Shared Service at Gosbrook Road on Sunday 6th October led by Rev Martin Beukes and followed by a Bring and Share meal.

A list of suggested items for Harvest Gifts for "Readifood" is available at both churches.

Suggested items for the "Bring & Share Lunch" after the Harvest Sunday service, are: Cold meat, Quiche – variety including vegetarian, Salads (*Green, Potato, Pasta, Rice, Tomato, Other*), Bread, Cheese and biscuits, Desserts – variety

There will be lists at both churches on which people are asked to indicate what they would like to contribute.

Phil and Pam will be bringing their **FairTrade** stall to the Harvest Festival.

At our Harvest Festival Service we will gather all the donations for Readifood on tables at the front of the church - which will hopefully make a colourful display. We are planning to decorate the windowsills with flower arrangements/vases of flowers. If anyone is able to create one and bring to the church on Saturday 5th there will be someone there to receive between 11.00 and 12.30. We will be grateful for all donations.

## **Circuit Notices**

### **Circuit Musical**

Date for diary. "Zac" - Christ Church Chineham - Saturday, 7th June 2025

## Our Prayers

Your prayers are asked for.....

Barbara who hopes to have her OP on Monday 30th September  
(I heard last week that the op will be on Monday 30th September. Fingers crossed it will be and all will go well. After about 2 years we can't wait to a new normal lifestyle  
Best wishes, Barbara)



The link to the church facebook page is [here](#).  
If anyone has any news, ideally with a photo, that they would like to share please email it to [Pam Chatfield](mailto:Pam Chatfield)



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If you would like an item included in next week's notices please send by **Thursday 18.00** to

[notices@cavershammethodist.org.uk](mailto:notices@cavershammethodist.org.uk)

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