

Hailsham Methodist Church Update

Week beginning Sunday 27th September 2026

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This Sunday, our Morning Service at 10.00am will be led by Rev'd Roger Leslie. The Sunday Evening Zoom/Telephone Service at 6.00pm will be led by Rev'd Karl Rutledge.

(For Zoom and telephone access details see below)

The following Sunday, 4th October, the Morning Service will be led by Christine Sweet. The Evening Service on Zoom will be led by Rev'd Barbara Evans-Routley.

Lectionary Readings, Hymns and Psalms

Here are the lectionary readings for each day of this week, along with a reading from the Psalms and a hymn from Singing the Faith, as listed in this year's Methodist Prayer Handbook. *The Week's Theme: Original Blessing*

Sun 27 th	Matthew 21:23-32	StF 454	Psalm 25
Mon 28 th	Genesis 4:1-16	StF 56	Psalm 130
Tues 29 th	Genesis 6:5-10	StF 733	Psalm 1
Wed 30 th	Genesis 6:11-22	StF 55	Psalm 131
Thu 1 st	Genesis 7:1-17	StF 71	Psalm 132
Fri 2 nd	Genesis 8:1-22	StF 416	Psalm 133
Sat 3 rd	Genesis 11:1-11	StF 205	Psalm 134

Prayer for Peace:

Almighty God, let there be peace in our hearts and peace in your world. Amen

Thought for the Week: "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

You will probably recall that this blessing "The Lord bless you and keep you" is part of the "Benediction". As such it is used as a concluding act of a worship service. But what does it mean to us today?

God is always watching over us. He will bless us no matter how good or bad we have been. He will protect us as we leave the Church building or wherever we worship, to go out and serve the world. (*Numbers 6 v24*)

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The Week Ahead:

Mon 28th: Toddlers' Group meet n Church Hall, 9:30-11:30am
Bible Study in Church Hall, 2:30-3:30pm (see below)
Wed 30th: Afternoon Tea & Chat on Zoom, 3:30-4:00pm (see below)

Bible Study Afternoon Group

On Monday our afternoon Bible Study group will continue working through the study booklet 'Faith: Depending on God'. They will be reading and responding to the section on 'Righteousness by Faith; Romans 3:19-26'.

Led by Rev Barbara, there will be a sharing of ideas, opinions and experiences in the session. You are very welcome to join in and share, from 2:30 to 3:30pm.

Wednesday Afternoon Tea and Chat

Our social Zoom meetings continue each Wednesday afternoon from 3.30 to 4.00pm. There is no formal agenda or planned content but there is the opportunity to see one another and exchange any news we may have. You can access the meeting with the same Zoom ID and Passcode every week:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72398358201?pwd=cEVjZFI5cGR2eUw5MGdsT1BnNnNGUT09>

Meeting ID: 723 98358201, Passcode: 9Yp0Sk

Memorial Service for Audrey Hunt

In July, Audrey Hunt's son Brian came to Church to tell us of her recent death in her care-home in Cambridgeshire.

There will be a Memorial Service for Audrey in our Church on Saturday 10th October at 2:30pm. This will be followed by refreshments with Audrey's family and friends in our Church Hall. All are welcome.

Warm Welcome Space

Warm Welcome Space will return from its summer break on Saturday 10th October. (NOT this Saturday!) In a change from the former weekly set-up, we will now be opening on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month.

Church Council Meeting

Advance notice to you all: there will be a Church Council Meeting in the Church Hall on Thursday 15th October at 10:30am. Everyone is welcome to attend and take part in discussions, but only Members of the Church will be able to vote on any issues that arise at the meeting. The meeting Agenda and Reports will be circulated closer to the date.

Keeping In Touch

If you have any news or up-coming events you want to share via this Update sheet, you can phone John O' on 01323 486961, or email johnoreilly876@btinternet.com

On-line and Telephone Worship Access Details

Sunday Evening Service at 6.00pm

Each week on Zoom:

Meeting ID: 413 058, 0228, Passcode: barbara (all lower case)

Each week by telephone:

Dial any of these numbers and enter the Meeting ID and Passcode (given below) when prompted:

0203 051 2874, 0203 481 5237, 0203 481 5240, 0203 901 7895 or 0131 460 1196

Meeting ID: 413 058 0228, Passcode: 419861