

SUNDAY 25th October 2026



Local ...
Lively ...
Loving

Weathering the Storm

Storm Austen has made way for Storm Boelo over the past few hours, and I have no doubt that it will be very wet and windy as we make our way to and from the hall today for worship. And possibly a further named storm before this week is out. ***Please take care!*** There is a remarkable power in a storm that can uproot trees, flatten fences, tear roofs off houses and blow us off our feet if we are not careful. We are fortunate in this country that we rarely experience hurricane-force winds, but it still can be frightening to be caught out in one of these storms.

And yet, even in the strongest storms there is an even greater force hidden within. Jesus was asleep on a boat when a 'furious squall' threatened to sink it. The disciples, scared for their lives, woke Jesus ...

'He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.' Mark 4: 35-41

Bear that in mind as the winds howl and the rain batters against the windows today. Jesus is mightier than any storm! Jesus has the power to bring calm to our beating hearts, in both the physical storm and through the storms of life – when we are prepared to just ask for his help.

Paul Heath

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People

Please continue to remember and pray for those in our fellowship who have recently been bereaved. This week we were sad to learn that Anne Lane had been promoted to glory and our thoughts are with Dennis and his family at this time. We will let you know the details of Anne's funeral as they are arranged. In addition, Ian T, who attended both our community programme and worship before moving to Yate has also been bereaved of his wife. Please remember Brian and his family as they prepared for Pat's funeral, which is to take place on:

- Monday 9th November 2026. There will be a service of celebration at the hall at 10.30, followed by a committal at 12noon at Mangotsfield Cemetery.

At the time of writing, I am unaware of anyone being in hospital, but please continue to remember those in our fellowship who are poorly, living with long-term health conditions or experiencing difficulties. These include Helen, Rob and Lilian. It is a time of year when there is a lot of illness, so please look after yourselves.

Cleaning

We are extremely grateful to the team of volunteers who help clean our church. Whilst we primarily clean on a Friday, there are areas of the building which can be cleaned at different times. If you feel that you could be part of this ministry, please speak to Colin.

Flowers

Our thanks to Jean Foulkes-Henwood this week for the flowers at the front of the hall. These are in memory of family members.

Property

We are actively trying to resolve our heating problems and we are assured that the 'spare part' we need will arrive on Wednesday. We hope that it will be fitted as soon as possible after this, as the weather has turned much colder. Thank you for your patience in this matter.

For those of you who use the car park at the rear of our building, you will notice that our fence has been repaired. Thanks to Mike for liaising with various contractors to resolve this issue. You will also notice that work has recommenced on the old Uniform Factory, which has made parking more difficult. If you use this carpark, please be careful as there are large vehicles coming and going.

Holiday Club

This week we are looking forward to our first Holiday Club for many years and also a Light Party – please pray for all the families involved and all the helpers. We are still taking bookings so please tell anyone eligible to get in touch.



Christmas is coming – Launch of Gift Appeal

It's that time of the year again. Last year we supported about 2,000 people across South Gloucestershire and Bristol - but we can only do that with your help. This year we're asking you again to 'Be a Star', pick up a STAR and buy a gift for the person as indicated on the back. Gifts can be anything you choose. All gifts need to be brand new and unwrapped, please. Please see below for ideas of what gifts to buy. Sunday morning 13th December, will be our Gift Service when you can bring your gifts and place them under our tree or you can bring them to the hall at any other time before this. On behalf of the families we represent, thank you so much for your generosity - if you need any further information please don't hesitate to ask.

If you are unable to purchase a gift then you can also donate to our Christmas Appeal financially – by giving cash to Colin, Nicola or Gary, asking to use the card reader, or using the QR below:



Ideas for Gifts:

0-2 years	Fabric/board books, shape sorters, interactive play mats, cot mobiles, Mega blocks sets, Dolls & cars.
3-5 years	Imaginative play toys, books, duplo sets, board games, jigsaws, crayon sets, playdough sets.
5-7 years	Lego & construction sets, board games, art & craft sets, jigsaws, books.
7-9 years	Lego & construction sets, magic kits, science kits, board games, art & craft sets, jigsaws, books.
10-13 years	Construction kits, science kits, magic kits, art & craft sets, board games, stationery sets, footballs, books.
14-18 years	Art, craft & stationery sets, nail varnish sets, hairdryers, jewellery boxes, jewellery, watches, board

	games, footballs, books, adult colouring books with pens/pencils, comfy throws.
Adults	Toiletry sets for men and women, jewellery boxes, jewellery, watches, adult colouring sets with pens/pencils

PLEASE AVOID:

- Anything that needs batteries
- Anything that needs wifi/phone/computer
- DVDs or CDs
- Anything that contains food
- Candles
- 2nd hand items

Casual Uniform

Deb is putting together another order for Casual Uniform so if you would like to order anything please see Deb Hatcliffe by Sunday 1st November.

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Dates for the Diary

Please check your ChurchSuite app (My events) for an up-to-date calendar of all events including these:



Special Worship Events:

Remembrance Sunday	Sunday 8 th Nov.
Major Amanda Lee Leads worship	Sunday 22 nd Nov. 10am

Monthly & Irregular Meetings:

Coffee Morning	Saturday 14 th Nov.
Mission Council	Monday 9 th Nov.
Messy Church	Sunday 8 th Nov.
CAMEO Craft Groups	Monday 30 th Nov.
Thursday Church	Thursday 12 th Nov.
Church2U	Sunday 22 nd Nov. 12pm

Divisional Events:

Divisional Children's Praise & Pizza Party	Friday 6 th Nov. 5pm-7pm
Divisional YP Leaders Day	Saturday 14 th Nov. 10am – 4pm
Divisional Youth Praise Night	Sunday 22 nd Nov. 5.30pm – 6.30pm

Christmas Events:

Loads of things!	From week commencing 23 rd November and continuing throughout December
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The Week Ahead

TODAY – Sunday 25th October:

- 10am All Age Worship *led Majors Colin & Nicola*
'Frontline Fruitfulness: Moulding Culture'
[Colossians 3: 1-11](#)
- 11:30am-12:15pm Children's Church & Youth activities

Monday 26th November:

- 9:30am-12noon** **Holiday Club (School years 0-6)**
- 7pm Pastoral Care Council
- 8pm-9:30pm CAMEO Craft Group



Tuesday 27th October:

- 9am – 2pm Employment Plus *with Thierry*
- 9:30am-12noon** **Holiday Club (School years 0-6)**
- 10am – 2pm Open Doors *inc. homemade soup at 12.30pm*
- 10am Fitness Club
- 10am – 1pm Energy Help Desk
- No Extra Slice Group (leader: Kelvin)*
- From 6:30pm YP Band Practice and Singing Company Practice
- 8pm Senior Band Practice

Wednesday 28th October:

- 9:30am-12noon** **Holiday Club (School years 0-6)**
- 9:30am-11am** **Special Tots on the Hill for Half Term**
- 12noon** **Lunch for Holiday Club families**
- 3:30pm-4:30pm Extra Slice Group (leader: Gerry) *online*
- 8pm-9pm Extra Slice Group (leader: Linda) *at Kelvin & Linda's*
- 8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group (leader: Beth) *online*

Thursday 29th October:

- 10am-12noon Open Doors
- 11:15am-12noon Extra Slice Group *at the hall*
- 12:30pm Lunch Club - *booking essential*
- 8pm-9pm Extra Slice Group (leader: Bethany) *at Bev & Jon's*
- 8pm-9pm Extra Slice Group (leaders: Colin & Nicola)
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- 8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group (leaders: Ian & Rachel) *online*

The Week Ahead [continued]

Friday 30th October:

7:30am-12noon Slimming World Groups
10am-12noon Open Doors
2pm Cleaning Hall
6:30pm-8:30pm Light Party (school years 5-8)

Sunday 1st November:

10am All Age Worship *led Majors Colin & Nicola*
'Frontline Fruitfulness: Messenger of the Gospel'
[Colossians 4: 2-6](#)
11:30am-12:15pm Children's Church & Youth activities

CHILDREN'S

PRAISE & PIZZA PARTY

Friday 5-7pm

6.11.26

Street Salvation Army,
Goswell Road
Street
BA16 0JG

SCAN TO SIGN UP!

WE WOULD LOVE TO INVITE CHILDREN (5-11S) TO COME AND JOIN US IN PRAISING GOD IN CREATIVE WAYS, EATING PIZZA AND PLAYING GAMES! WE ARE SUPER EXCITED FOR THIS EVENT AS WE GATHER CHILDREN WITH ONE-ANOTHER TO WORSHIP!

(ARRIVAL IS FROM 5PM, IT IS OKAY, IF YOU ARE A BIT LATE WITH TRAVEL!)