

Prayer Time

Following on from last month, Suzanne has organised 3 more Prayer Sessions at Southside.

Wednesday June 3rd 4 - 4.30 pm

Monday June 22nd 7 - 7.30 pm

Wednesday July 1st 4 - 4.30 pm

The are expected to last for around 30 minutes.

This will be a very informal and safe space. No need to let us know that you are coming, just turn up and we will be there to meet with you.

"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them"

Matthew 18:20 (NIV)

Considering Church Membership?

Revered Colin is holding **Exploring Membership sessions** for anyone in the Church or Circuit interested in becoming a church member to see whether it's for you or not.

Meet on **Thursday 4th June** at **2pm** at **Yaxley Methodist Church** or **7pm** for **7.15pm** start at **Southside**

Follow this link: [Membership - The Methodist Church](#) for information on The Methodist Church website.

Wednesday Friends

Next meeting:

3rd June 2 - 4pm

Refreshments & everyone welcome
Stay all afternoon or just call in for a 'cuppa' and a chat.

After June we will be taking a break for the summer and meeting again 2nd September

See Sylvia for more information

Southside's Annual Church Meeting

All are invited and encouraged to attend

Tuesday 16th June 7pm -8.30 pm
in the Church

During the meeting we will be electing the Church Stewards.

Please come and support the running of the church and let Karen know if you would like anything putting on the agenda.

Southside Strawberry Afternoon Tea

Saturday 27th June 2026

3 pm - 5 pm

A family event for everyone

Tickets must be brought in advance!

£5 per adult

£2.50 for children under 16 yrs

Tickets available from Suzanne or Church Stewards.

See notice on internal notice board

New Regular Bible Study Group

Suzanne and Reverend Colin are going to be leading a Bible study group every 2nd Tuesday of the month, **in the summer at St Mary's Orton Waterville and in the winter at Orton Waterville Methodist church.**

It's from 11am-12.30pm and everyone is invited to bring a packed lunch to eat together after the study.

This is going to be very informal, not too academic but we will be led by the Holy Spirit. Rev Colin will be leading the first one on 9th June.

Can you help with the running of Southside?

We'd really like to fill these vacancies to help with the running of the church:

Pastoral Visitors (needs to be church members)

We **desperately** need more Pastoral visitors as we currently don't have enough to cover church members at present. Pastoral visitors are responsible for keeping in contact with and praying for a small number of church members (and congregation on the pastoral roll) providing pastoral support when people are ill or in hospital etc. You will not be expected to visit unless someone on your list is unable to attend church for a while due to illness etc. Please speak to Sylvia to find out more.

Property Steward(s) (overall property steward/coordinator has to be a member but not necessarily assistants) We need someone/or a couple of people who can look after the maintenance of the property. Arrange for maintenance work to be carried out and obtain quotes from contractors etc. For more information, please contact the Stewards or Janet.

A Church Steward (needs to be a church member)

One of our stewards is stepping down so we need someone to take their place. Stewards are responsible for opening and closing the church for services on a rota basis, praying with preachers before the service starts, arranging readers for the services and counting the collection etc. Stewards are also expected to attend Church Leadership Team meetings every 2-3 months.

AV Operator(s) (this doesn't need to be a church member) We really need another person to help Rodney and Paul with the audio-visual equipment during services. Please speak to Rodney and Paul who can explain what the job involves.

We have various other roles in the church people we'd love people to volunteers for, but the vacancies above are the ones we need to fill the most right now.

Diary Dates

Saturday 18th July
Circuit Barbecue at Brookside
from 3pm -7.30pm

Sunday 19th July
Southside Church Anniversary
Bring and Share lunch after
the morning Service

Thank you to everyone who helped with our church Spring Clean in May it was great to have so many people turn up and help. The church looks much cleaner for it.

Thank you all of you.
Southside Leadership Team

Interested in Praying online with others from Southside?

Then why not join Southside's online
Emmaus Prayer Group
Meets most Saturday mornings
9:45 am on **Zoom**
(Please ask Janet for details)

Footsteps

at Southside

Wednesday Mornings in term time group for pre-school children (mostly up to 3 years)

Mums and Dads are welcome at this group, providing the opportunity to socialise over refreshments whilst the children play

Some Christian input is included within little films and songs

Methodist Homes for the Aged (MHA)

It is lovely to have a Methodist Home in our Circuit
The Maples Retirement Living
in Goldhay Way, Orton Goldhay, Peterborough, PE2 5SF.

The Maples have a regular Holy Communion service at 3pm on the fourth Sunday of the month.

Revd Dale Sherriff Chaplin at the Maples will be leading at our Holy Communion Service at Southside on MHA Sunday 14th June.

To find out more about MHA visit: [MHA | Live Later Life Well](#)