



Portishead Church of England
Growing & Going in God's Love

Sunday 26th April - 4th of Easter
10.30am United Benefice Communion and Annual Parochial Church Meeting at St. Peter's Church

Please click here for the live service link <https://youtube.com/live/VyYWZ5Qhr5o>

***6.00pm Haven at St. Peter's Church**

There will be no other parish services on Sunday 26th April

We depend on the regular faithful giving of the church family to continue our mission and ministry to Portishead and maintain our church buildings. If you do not already do so, please prayerfully consider giving regularly to the church – no matter how small the sum you can afford. Visit www.portisheadparish.co.uk/welcome#Giving for more information of how to do this.

Please think of God's creation when coming to church; walk or cycle if you can or consider car-sharing. If there is anything that we can do to make worship or information about what we do more accessible please speak to one of the clergy or call Jessica in the office on 846230 / office@portisheadparish.co.uk

***Haven at 6.00pm on Sunday 26th April** in St Peter's Church will be reflecting on the theme of 'Beloved'.

Come and join us for 45 minutes of Silence, Mindfulness, Music and gently guided prayer.

Parish Calendar for the Week Ahead:

Monday 27th April	7.15am	Monday Prayer – online https://ziply.pk/Mon-Mission-prayer
	7.30pm	Ethics Forum at St Peter's Church
	9.00pm	Evening Prayer – online https://short-url.org/1p9WC
Tuesday 28th April	9.00am	Refresh Parent, Baby and Toddler Group at St Peter's Church
	10.30am	Lighthouse Carers' Group at St Nicholas' Church
Weds 29th April	9.00am	Morning Prayer – https://short-url.org/WedMorningPray
		'Thought for the Day' available from 8.30am via our website, YouTube and Facebook
Thursday 30th April	6.45am	Morning Prayer – online https://short-url.org/1p9X5
	10.30am	Midweek Communion at St Peter's Church
	10.40am	Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom https://bit.ly/midweekchurchcoffee
	2.00pm	Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church

Sunday 3rd May – 5th Sunday of Easter

Psalm 103:1-13 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 Luke 12:22-34

8am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Peter's Church
10.30am Joint Service with the URC at St Nicholas' Church
9.45am The 9.45 at St Peter's Church
11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

Our Prayers



Those in need John Massey, Mary Powell, Judith, Irene Flockhart, Sam Edwards, Ann Field, Pat Jouxson, Maureen Noakes, Brenda Greenham, Wendy Burrell, Tony Peacey, R. Bennett

The departed Doris Madeline Ryan, Frances Dawe

Notices

Annual Church Meeting (APCM) – 26th April 2026

The annual church meeting this year will be held on a Sunday morning. We hope this will make it easier for more people to attend and enabling it to take place within the context of a worship service.

We will share in a **United Service at 10.30**, featuring a shortened Communion, followed by refreshments at around 11.15. Attendees will have the chance to reflect on the past year, look ahead to future plans, participate in essential church business, including the election of new PCC and Deanery Synod members and have opportunity for questions. The meeting will end by 12.30. Everybody is encouraged to attend.

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**Portishead Church of England
Annual Meetings
Sunday 26th April 2026 at 10.30am, beginning with a United
Benefice Communion at St. Peter's Church**

ZOOM CODE:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82642204434?pwd=T6GcLeKnVdJQpkkl1E1KmQkWBd3lZ0.1>

Meeting ID: 826 4220 4434

Passcode: 502196

Link to access documents

<https://www.portisheadparish.co.uk/portishead-church-of-england-annual-meetings-26-april-2026>

(Please then click link on website to access the documents)

Unfortunately, the **Pioneering Parishes** event planned for Saturday 25th April has been cancelled. We are very sorry for any inconvenience caused.

St. Nicholas' church, Portishead

Saturday 25th April at 7.00pm

GRAND
CONCERT

showcasing our new digital piano
with
Paul and Rosemary Reid and friends

concert pianist **Helen Reid**
and soprano soloist Willow Baines



Helen Reid

Enjoy instrumental and vocal solos, choral items from
our two vocal ensembles, and join in our popular
sing-a-long to round off a great evening

£10 at the door, including interval refreshments,
for church funds



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**Saturday 25th April Grand Concert
@7.00pm St Nicholas' Church**

Saturday evening concert to welcome our
new electronic piano to St Nicholas.

Guest Appearance by Helen Reid. All
proceeds will go towards church funds. Further
details will be announced shortly or contact
Pearl Walker and Pauline Cooper.

Ticket price £10.00 which includes refreshments

Contemporary Ethics Forum: Monday, 27th April 7:30 - 9:30 pm St. Peter's Church

Topic: Human Genetic Manipulation - The Good, The Bad and The Ugly.

We are delighted to welcome Professor Keith Fox as our speaker for the next Ethics Forum. Keith is Emeritus Professor of Biochemistry, Southampton University and former Associate Director and then Director of The Faraday Institute for Science and Religion in Cambridge (2015-2021).

All are welcome. No tickets needed. Admission is free, but donations are welcome (*Suggested donation £5*). We also plan to livestream the forum to the church's YouTube channel:

<https://youtube.com/live/RkjuSPBH85Y>

Contact: David on 01275 840 245 or david.tyers@gmail.com for further information

Pastoral care - Revd Tonya won't be Loitering this coming week (Wednesday 29th)
Her next Loitering will be:

Wednesday 6th May 10.15 – 11.45am

Venue

The Port, 3 The Precinct, Bristol BS20 6AH

Or you could contact her on: 01275 840016/07341328682 pastorportishead@outlook.com

May – Generosity Month

This May we are going to have a focus on Generosity – reflecting on what God has given to us and how we can respond to his abundant love, grace and provision. Each week we will have readings reflecting a particular aspect of this theme of Generosity, as well as hearing stories from individuals about what they have received and how they give.

Date	Theme
Sunday 3rd May	God's Generosity to Us
Sunday 10th May	Giving as Worship and Trust
Sunday 17th May	Generosity as Justice and Compassion
Sunday 24th May	Generosity as Kingdom Living

Dying Matters Awareness Week: Table Talk

Hospice UK's *Dying Matters Awareness Week 2026* takes place from 4th to 10th May. This year's theme, '*Let's Talk About Death and Dying*', aims to break the stigma around these conversations by encouraging openness - recognising that many people find it difficult to talk about death, even though it affects us all and can be vital for coping with loss. As part of this, May's Table Talk session will offer a safe, supportive space to explore these topics together. **Join us from 10:30am on Friday 1st May in the Community Room at Portishead Library.**

Throughout the week, the library will also have a range of resources available for those who would like to learn more.

New Home Group Starting After Easter - There is something deeply fulfilling about being with other members of the Church family, and it has a different feel to gathering as part of a Sunday Congregation. A Home Group is somewhere where people can belong, make friends, find support and grow as a disciple of Jesus.

A new group meeting on Tuesday evening twice a month is starting up soon. If that interests you, have a word with Tonya Tel 840016 or Gareth Evans on 07969 774942.

Lighthouse Café

The Lighthouse Café, which is open weekly at St. Nicholas Church from 2pm-4pm is looking for some help. We would like to recruit some more drivers so we can offer lifts to people who would otherwise not be able to get to the café.

Also we are looking for some willing volunteers to help welcome folk to the café and assist with serving the coffee, tea and homemade cakes that are on offer.

Please contact Pearl on 01275 817765 or Gill on 01275 845970 if you would like to find out more or come along and visit us one Thursday afternoon for tea and cake.

We look forward to seeing you.

Come and Join our Fantastic Finance Team

We have a wonderful team of people involved in overseeing our church finances. This does not just enable our mission and ministry to take place is a vital part of it. How we manage the resources that God gives us really matters. We are looking for a new Church Treasurer to join this team. We can offer you great support and the satisfaction of being a vital part of what God is doing in the parish. If you have some financial knowledge and experience and could offer us about 4 hours a week (on average) that would be fantastic. Please contact Rob (rector@portisheadparish.co.uk / 01275 846592) , Adi Phillips or one of the Church Wardens if you are interested in finding out more.

COMMUNITY BARN DANCE

Raising funds for climate change related essential building work for St Peter's Church, Portishead and our charity partner's schools in Kenya.

Event run by Gordan Rotary

Beginners welcome as caller talks us through the steps, dancing to a live band. Even more fun if you have never been to one before.

The FolkHall

95 High Street, Portishead, BS20 6PR

Friday 8th May 2026

7.30pm until 10.30pm

Tickets £10

Licensed bar and light refreshments available.

<https://gordanrotaryportishead.com/events/barn-dance-8may>

Email- tonygbrc@gmail.com

In person at SoleLution (Shoe Shop)
62 High Street, Portishead, BS20 6EH
(cash only please if purchasing at SoleLution)




Barn Dance

£10.00 per ticket - Friday 8th May
The Folk Hall

Help to raise funds towards essential building works for St Peter's Church along with our Charity Partner's Schools in Kenya

Church Office opening times Mon – Fri 9.30am – 12.30pm Tel: 01275 846230 Email: office@portisheadparish.co.uk The office is not open on Wednesdays	To make a donation to the church please use:
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