



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

Sunday 5th July – Trinity 5

Genesis 24.34-38, 42-49, 58-end Romans 7.15-25 Matthew 11.16-19, 25-end

8am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Peter's Church

9.30am Morning Worship at St Nicholas' Church

9.45am The 9.45 at St Peter's Church

<https://youtube.com/live/uOkOkeCinw?feature=share>

11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

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

Parish Calendar for the Week Ahead:

Monday 6th July	7.15am	Monday Prayer – online https://ziply.pk/Mon-Mission-prayer
	9.15am	Lighthouse Cafe Prayers - St Nicholas
	10.00am	Prayers - Looking to the Future - St Peter's Church
	9.00pm	Evening Prayer - https://shorturl.at/sCZMh
Tuesday 7th July	9.00am	Refresh Parent, Baby and Toddler Group at St Peter's Church
Weds 8th July	9.00am	Morning Prayer – https://short-url.org/WedMorningPray
Thursday 9th July		'Thought for the Day' available from 8.30am via our website, YouTube and Facebook
	6.45am	Morning Prayer – online https://short-url.org/1p9X5
	10.30am	Morning Prayer at St Peter's Church Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom
	10.40am	https://bit.ly/midweekchurchcoffee
	2.00pm	Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church
Saturday 11th July	10.00am	St Peter's Church Tidy Up
	10.30am	LLADS at St Barnabas Centre
	7.30pm	Posset Singers Concert at St Peter's Church

Sunday 12th July – Trinity 6

Genesis 25.19-end Romans 8.1-11 Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church

9.45am The 9.45 with Communion at St Peter's Church

11.30am Morning Worship at St Peter's Church

4.00pm Mothers Union - Songs of Praise - St Peter's church



Our Prayers

Those in need Mary Powell, Judith, Irene Flockhart, Sam Edwards, Ann Field, Pat Jouxson, Maureen Noakes, Brenda Greenham, Wendy Burrell, Tony Peacey, Viola Edwards, Ray Gullock, Pam Newton, Rodney Wheeler

Those who have recently died Janet Skinner

Notices

St Peter's Church – Community Morning Saturday 11th July 10am–12pm St Peter's Church

Join us for a relaxed, feel-good morning of tidying, crafting, and caring for our shared space. There'll be jobs for all the family — from little hands to grown-up helpers.

Whether you fancy sweeping, dusting, cutting out craft shapes, watering plants, or pulling a few friendly weeds, every small job helps keep St Peter's looking its best.

And of course... coffee, cake, and good conversation will be waiting

Bring your duster, your garden tools, your creativity, and the whole family — everyone's welcome.



Saturday 11th July

10 – 12

Cleaning - Gardening

Craft prep - Tidying

Tea coffee cake

ST PETERS CHURCH

Bring Gardening tools- inside cleaning equipment provided
All ages welcome



We're Collecting Garden Tools!

As we get ready for our upcoming tidy-up days at St Peter's Church, we're putting together a small store of tools that can be used by volunteers of all ages. If you have any spare or unused garden tools, we'd be so grateful for your donations.



We're especially looking for:

- Spades
- Gloves
- Shears
- Loppers
- Trowels
- Secateurs
- Shovels
- Hoes
- Brushes
- Green garden bags

Every donation helps keep our church grounds looking welcoming .

If you can donate anything, please contact Lindsay

07483932608 or email pioneer@portisheadparish.co.uk

Thank you for supporting our community and helping St Peter's tidy.

St Peter's Church - Looking to the Future - Prayer

Our prayer group specifically looking to discern God's will for the future of St Peter's Church building and to back up the teams working on estimates, faculties, vision and all the rest will next meet at **St Peter's at 10 o'clock on Monday morning, 6 July**, for half an hour. All welcome to join us.

Midweek Communion – our Midweek Communion on Thursday 9th July will be replaced by Morning Prayer. Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.

" Songs of Praise" will be held at St. Peter's Church on Sunday July 12th at 4pm followed by light refreshments

This forms part of the Mother's Union 150th Anniversary celebrations when Hymns and Readings that have previously been chosen by members will be enjoyed. Please come and join us and make this a special occasion



Summer Show Church Table Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th July Volunteers Needed

Please could you spare an hour to help on the church stand at the Portishead Summer Show on 25th and 26th July?

There will be a large cardboard model of the church that we can 'repair' as we centre our theme around mending the crack and making it whole again by working together. We need folk to help with the craft which is mainly colouring and glueing. We also need folk who are happy to hand out a questionnaire and talk about the crack in the church. So whether you are 'crafty' or 'chatty' – or maybe even both! – please consider joining the 'Crack Team' for an hour. To volunteer your time or to ask any questions phone Claire : 07910 770422 or email letsrackthistgether@portisheadparish.co.uk



WILLOW GARDENS NEWSLETTER

July Newsletter
A Time to Celebrate

July brings celebration, celebration of summer, food and nature. During this month there are celebrations across the country, music festivals, agricultural shows, school fates, but also small celebrations, tea and cake in the garden, enjoying home grown food or sharing time with others. Willow Gardens has been celebrating nature with a visit from a local nursery, the children harvested strawberries and enjoyed them under the shade of the willow tree. Another cause for celebration is the Portishead summer show, taking place on the 25th/ 26th July. A local country fair to celebrate the town and its community, full details can be found at <https://www.portisheadsummershow.com/>



Willow Gardens will be proudly receiving a visit from the RHS Community Garden Awards. Unfortunately Lindsay is unable to attend but the judge will be shown around by a member of Portishead in Bloom. Volunteers are very welcome to come along;
Thursday 9th July, Approx 15:15pm
Contact Lindsay on **07483932608** or portisheadgarden@outlook.com



July Dates

Whether you're a seasoned gardener or just want to spend some time outdoors and trying something new, all are welcome.

1st July

8th July

15th July

22nd July

29th July

Wednesdays from 10am - 12pm



**Growing in the heart
of the community**



**Willow
Community
Gardens**

Pastoral Care

Revd Tonya will be loitering most weeks in a café in Portishead. Should you have something pastoral you'd like to discuss or just to say hello, why not drop by.

Date & Time for July:

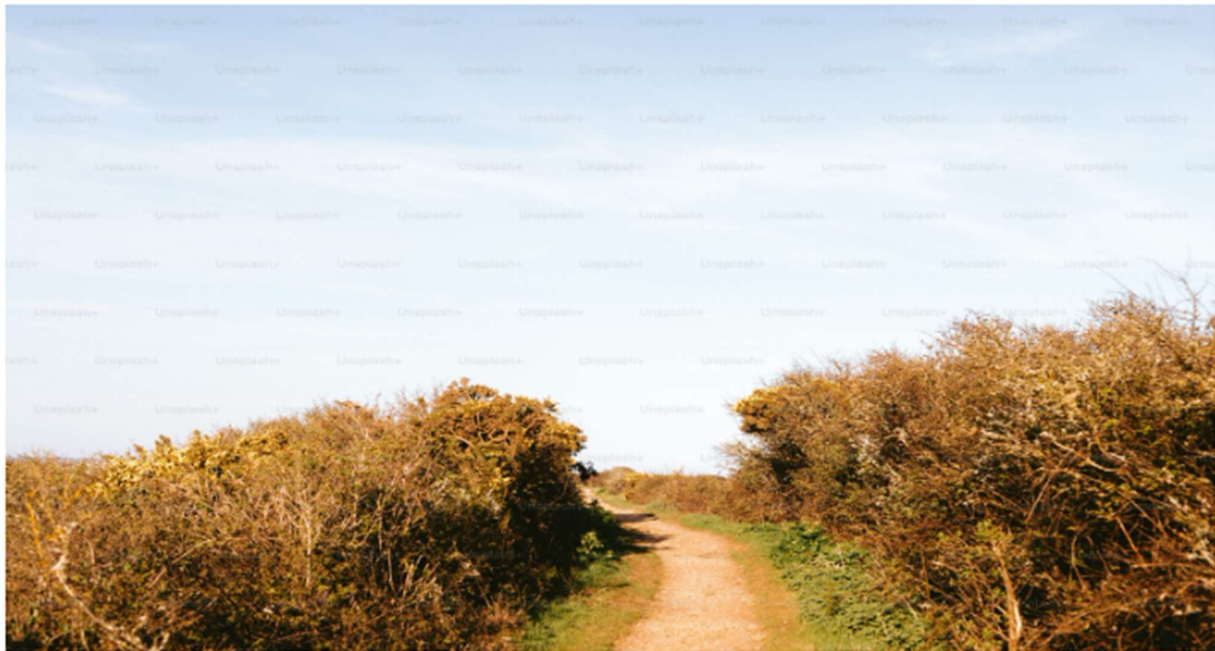
Wednesday 15th 10.15am - 11.45am

Wednesday 22nd 10.15am – 11.45am

Wednesday 29th 10.15am - 11.45am

Venue - The Port, 3 The Precinct, Bristol BS20 6AH

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



Silent Prayer Walk

Revd Tonya will be undertaking a gentle silent prayer walk around the marina.

Why don't you join her?

When: Monday 20th July

Time: 10am

Start point: Outside Hall & Woodhouse

Length of walk: 40-50 minute with pauses

Followed by optional Coffee at H&W

10 years of singing together!!!

Posset Singers are celebrating with a concert at St Peter's Church on Saturday July 11th at 7.30

A ticket costing just £8 (£4 for children) is all you need to come and join the celebrations

Where else could you hear the Beatles, Simon and Garfunkel, the Hollies, Queen, Fleetwood Mac all on the same night??? Not to mention..... whoops!! you'll have to buy a ticket to discover who else is in the programme!!! Tickets available on the QR code



FREE support to help you cycle locally

For adults who are beginners, improving, or returning to cycling

- Learn to ride and build confidence
- Join short rides and explore local routes
- Pick up maintenance tips and repair skills
- Get bike checks and safety advice

Improve your wellbeing and save money
Come along, meet new people, bring a friend

Next event:

8th July 1-5 pm: Free DrBike Session
15th July 1-5 pm: Free Bike Maintenance Course
Location: Portishead Youth & Community Centre
Sign in on Eventbrite or drop-in

Delivered locally by:



Treasurer

We are thrilled that King Wai Wong has agreed to offer himself and has been appointed as our new Treasurer. Thanks so much to King Wai. He will initially work alongside Tony Stubbs, our Interim Treasurer. If you need to communicate with either of them please use the Treasurers' email address: treasurer@portisheadparish.co.uk

Confirmation

Would you be interested in being confirmed into the Church of England? It provides a wonderful opportunity to explore faith further and to take a step of commitment. There will be a confirmation service in **Wells Cathedral on Saturday 7th November at 7.00pm**. We would love to take a group of people from Portishead. Please speak to one of the clergy if you would be interested in exploring this further.

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.

St Nicholas' Church Door

We have just had the door of St Nicholas painted and it looks absolutely lovely. Please can we ask that notices should **not** be stuck on the front door with either blue tack or cello tape etc and that people use the stand alone notice board in the vestibule

Situations Vacant

We need to add to our wonderful tech team who help those in church and on the livestream to be able to see, hear and participate in the worship at the 9.45 Service.

It would be brilliant to have a couple more people who could help one week a month. No great technical knowhow is required and full support and training offered. This is scope for a young person to do this in conjunction with a parent or carer. Please speak to one of the tech team or clergy if you are interested or contact Jess in the office

office@portisheadparish.co.uk / 01275 846230)

Ethics Forum and Discipleship

For nearly 15 years the Ethics Forum has presented a wonderful opportunity to engage with varied knotty issues and to create a space for the wider community to do that with us. David Tyers has chaired the group organising these twice-yearly gatherings for a number of those years. He has decided that the time has come to step down. Thanks to him for leading this team so well. We have agreed that the Ethics Forum will take a break while we reflect on its future and how that fits within the wider topic of encouraging and deepening our Christian discipleship. If you have any thoughts on this, please let Simon Stevens know on reteach92@hotmail.com.

Generosity Letter

Over the past month, we have been writing to members of Portishead Church and reflecting in our services on God's generosity to us, and His call for us to be generous people.

The letter had two main purposes:

- To invite those who do not yet give regularly to consider starting.
- For those who already give, to consider switching to the [Parish Giving Scheme](#), which simplifies our financial administration and is more tax-efficient for the Church than our previous system.

If you have not received a copy of the letter, printed versions are available at the back of both churches.

The following will be required to complete this form:

Parish name: Portishead St Peter

Parish code: 010601388

You can also find our parish page here: <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/portishead-st-peter-bridstol>

Submitting Expenses and Invoices

Please ensure that all **expenses and invoices** are sent to the office email: office@portisheadparish.co.uk.

Any **invoices requiring payment** must also be emailed to the office first, these will be uploaded to the accounts system and prepared for bank authorisation. When submitting an invoice, please include **all related authorisation emails** so that we can confirm the invoice is correct and ready for payment.

The Office Administrator will contact the finance team **once a week** to request authorisation and payment of submitted invoices.

All payments will be made **within two weeks of receipt**. Please send everything to: office@portisheadparish.co.uk

Mark is on Sabbatical through June, July and August. Please continue to pray for him. Please take anything you would have spoken to Mark about to one of the other clergy.

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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