

## **Wesley Somborne Link**

### One Church on two sites



Wesley Methodist Church Weeke

31st October 2025

King's Somborne Methodist Church

#### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

This is the time of the year for thinking about the two great wars and all the other conflicts which have involved men, women and children in the loss of life, the loss of family, the impairment of people's bodies, minds and the effect on their families.

Why do we do this? What helps us to come to this special time of the year?

They say a picture saves a thousand words. What images come to your mind at this time of year? Poppies growing in a cornfield? The image of men blinded by the gas of the first war walking in a line with hands on their shoulders? The mud of Flanders fields? The destruction of millions of beautiful horses in the battles of the trenches, as in the film War Horse? The bodies of grown men in Burma, so thin and emaciated? The cenotaph in Whitehall? The Kohima Altar epitaph in NE India? The grave of a loved uncle or grandfather? The photos of Auschwitz?

What about the popular songs of the war years? God be with you till we meet again. There will be Blue birds over the white cliffs of Dover. We'll meet again.

The two world wars are the main object of the annual remembrance by the celebrations around War memorials and public buildings. BUT .. a visit to the National Remembrance Arboretum in Staffordshire opens your eyes to the many places of conflict, sadness and stories of bravery and compassion. The work of the British Legion and Help for Heroes certainly is very active at this time and supports thousands of people from all conflicts.

On Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November we will join with all the churches in the land, if not the world, when in our morning service we remember the fallen. Our own Wesley Roll of Honour will remember those who served and died and those who served and returned. Both very evocative of previous generations and also of people we know from recent conflicts.

In our Church Garden near the lawn there will be a display of poppies which will be lit up from 4.00 pm to 10.00 pm each day. Do pop by and experience the lights and maybe say a prayer.

The service on 9<sup>th</sup> November will be live streamed. If you know of someone who would love to watch the service can you help them gain the support from someone with the technology understanding to help them?

God be with you at this special time Richard







On Sunday 2nd November at 10.30am, Holy Communion will be led by Revd Peter Rayson
On Sunday 9th November, at 10.30am, a Service of Remembrance will be led by Mr Richard Rogers
These services will be live streamed, the link to which can be found via the Wesley Website at:

www.wesleychurch.org.uk

**Dates for Your Diary:** 

31st October: Y@W Doorstep Light Event at Wesley 4.00-6.00pm

2nd November: Service of Holy Communion led by Revd Peter Rayson at Wesley 10.30am

6th November: Mini-Marvels (9.00—11.00am)
7th November: Friday Fun Club (5.00-6.30pm)
7th November: Feel Good Friday (7.00-9.00pm)

9th November: Remembrance Service at Wesley 10.30am led by Mr Richard Rogers

9th November: Remembrance Service at the War Memorial, King's Somborne, at 10.50am, followed by a

**United Service in the Parish Church** 

12th November: Children and Youth Leaders' Meeting on Zoom at 7.00pm

13th November: Mini-Marvels (9.00—11.00am)
13th November: Together Thursday 2.30—4.30pm

16th November: Service led by Mr Nick Langham at Wesley 10.30am 16th November: Messy Church at King's Somborne (3.00-5.00pm)

20th November: Mini-Marvels (9.00—11.00am) 21st November: Friday Fun Club (5.00-6.30pm) 21st November: Feel Good Friday (7.00-9.00pm)

22nd November: Café Wesley 10.00am—12 noon, for Church Funds, with Lego Church 10.00am-11.30am

23rd November: Service led by the Zimbabwean Fellowship Group at Wesley 10.30am

23rd November: Service led by MWiB at King's Somborne 10.30am

27th November: Mini-Marvels (9.00—11.00am)
27th November: Together Thursday 2.30—4.30pm

29th November: Advent Lights at Wesley 3.00pm-5.00pm

30th November: ReFresh Service led by Revd Rachel Hawkins at Wesley 10.30am

30th November: Service of Holy Communion led by Revd Tim Searle at King's Somborne 10.30am

4th December: Mini-Marvels (9.00—11.00am)
5th December: Friday Fun Club (5.00-6.30pm)
5th December: Feel Good Friday (7.00-9.00pm)

Stay warm and keep safe this winter!



1. Keep active



2. Get a flu jab



Keep warm (layers of clothing, hot water bottle, close curtains at night)



4. Keep medication up to date and in order



5. Plan for an emergency (torches, emergency contacts, keep mobile phone charged)



**6.** Stay up to date with weather forecasts



7. Be extra careful when driving



Winchester and District Young Carers are holding a Coffee Morning at Rick Stein's on Friday, 14th Nov between 9am and 11am. If you are in Winchester at that time, we would love to see you for coffee, cake and a chat. The cost is £5 and there will be a raffle.

Please note the next edition of the Wesley Somborne Link will be on Friday 14th November 2025, we need any items or notices to be sent to Paul and Brenda, by Wednesday 12th November. Email: brenda.yarrien@btinternet.com or by phone on 01794389153.

Come and see us on
Friday 31st October at Wesley
4.00pm—6.00pm

Just drop by for a doorstep gift of hot chocolate, scratch art, glow bracelet and a little book of why the theme of light is important to Christians!

Brenda, Eileen and Sam will be there to welcome you!



# The Christmas Lights Sat 29th Nov 3pm-5pm

**Wesley Methodist Church** 

Sunday, December 21 10.30am Nativity Service Sunday, December 14 06.30pm Community Carols

Thursday, December 25 10.30am Christmas Day Service

Christmas lights, carol singing, hot chocolate and lots more!

All are welcome!

Wesley Methodist Church, Fromond Road, SO22 6EG

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### **ENJOY A CHRISTMAS DINNER WITH YOUR WESLEY FRIENDS**

When: Tuesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> 2025

Where: The Golden Lion Winchester, 99 Alresford Road.

Time: Arrival after 6pm for our meal served at 6.30pm.

Cost: 2 courses £30 or £37 for 3 courses.

In order to secure your place, please put your name on an envelope and write the number of the dish you would like to have. For example: Jane Smith 1 and 7 - if you are ordering soup and sea bass. Add possibly 10 for tiramisu, if you wish to have a dessert as well.

Please include £8 per person. This will cover the deposit of £5 and a £3 gratuity to the staff.

Please then give your completed envelopes to Heather Marsland. There are 36 places available.

If you wish to come, please would you let us know by Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup>

Heather or Jan will endeavour to answer any queries you may have.





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**£5.00 PER PERSON** 

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11 December 2025 7:30pm St Peter's Church, Winchester



Conductor John Lunt • Adoramus Singers • Organist Richard McVeigh

Join us for this annual musical celebration of Christmas with well-loved carols and a sprinkling of new music, followed by mince pies and wine.

Every penny raised will help us to meet the vital running costs of the Winchester branch.

Available 24 hours a day, every day, Samaritans provides emotional support to anyone who needs us.

Every hour. Every day. Every life.



£15 General Admission • £12 Students • £8 Under 18s

Scan me to buy tickets or visit: https://tinyurl.com/sams-carol-25

Limited tickets available on the door

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## FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2025 10AM - 3PM



FAMILY FUN & PUPPET SHOW

MUSIC, FOOD, STALLS

CRAFTS & TOMBOLA

AT ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH, BLENHEIM ROAD, EASTLEIGH

## **Prayer for those affected by Hurricane Melissa**

Loving God,

We offer you our prayers for people of the Caribbean, particularly Jamaica, Cuba, Haiti and nearby islands.

For those whose loved ones have been killed, we pray for comfort.

For people who have been injured, we pray for those bringing medical aid to come quickly. For those anxious about the destruction around them or the coming wind and rain, we pray for your peace.

For the public and emergency services, and those bringing aid, we pray for strength.

We pray for our partner Churches in the Jamaica and Haiti districts of the Methodist Church in the Caribbean and Americas and in the Methodist Church in Cuba.

Help them as they pray with and serve the community around them, may they know your presence at this time.

Help us in Britain to be responsive in our prayer and solidarity with them as the news of the effects of this hurricane become clearer in the coming days.

In the name of Christ we pray,

#### **Amen**

The President and Vice-President of the Conference





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## REMEMBRANCE DAY WORD SEARCH

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