



ST. MARK'S METHODIST CHURCH
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Sunday 9th February – 5th Sunday in Ordinary time
Rev. Rachel Leather

God our Father whose Word has come among us: may the light of faith, kindled in our hearts, shine in our words and deeds; through him who is Christ the Lord who is alive and reigns with you, in unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

From the Methodist Prayer Handbook: Praying with all Christians in South America.
Attend our steps, O Lord, as we sing your praise. Direct our paths as we become more than conquerors. Open our mouths as we proclaim the good news of the gospel.
Henry Martyn (1781-1812)

Live-stream for morning service: <https://youtube.com/live/ca05u7KiQvg?feature=share>

Notices

Tuesday 11th February) 10am Coffee morning - all welcome

Wednesday 12th February) 9.00am Ecumenical Communion service Bishop's Cleeve Methodist

Wednesday 12th February 9.30am Toddlers

Wednesday 12th February) 9.30am Bethesda Backpackers Adlestrop, 3.5 miles, contact Brian & Anne Robertson 352419/07452357427

Sunday 16th February) Denise Baugh

Advance notices:

Saturday February 15th) Zac - Learn a new Roger Jones musical in a day. 10am rehearsals start with performance at 4.30pm. £5 for choir and musicians, donation for concert. Please contact Mike on 07925 858297 to register.

Saturday 15th March) Sophia course, a Christian Eco-Spirituality Journey, six Saturdays commencing 15/03/25. Other sessions are 17/05/25, 19/07/25, 20/09/25, 15/11/25, 17/01/26. For more information contact Rev. Dr Robin Parry, robinparry@worcestercathedral.org.uk

Monday 24th March) relaunching Cheltenham Churches Together, Bethesda

ORDER OF SERVICE SUNDAY 9th FEBRUARY

9th February 2025: St Mark's – Racial Justice Sunday

Song "Everything Is Yours" for 2024 Christian Aid Service

A Gathering Prayer

StF: 42 O sing to the Lord

Prayers Reading: Genesis 37: 1-4

StF: 399 When deep despair casts out all light

Sermon

StF: 723 Who can sound the depths of sorrow Intercessions

All age talk

Holy Communion

Music during communion: We Will Make No Peace With Oppression

God of Justice

Song: We are one in the Spirit

Blessing

FOODBANK

List of needs from the Foodbank – the boxes for receiving donations for the Foodbank are by our two entrances. Thank you to all who keep filling up the boxes.

Our current shopping list

- Tinned Cold Meat (or fish)
- Pasta Sauce
- Washing up liquid, washing powder (powder or capsules please, not liquid)
- Soup - packets or tins
- Desserts - hot or cold, packets or cans
- Deodorants – Ladies' and Men's