

Martin Way Methodist Church

Notices for week commencing 17th May 2026

Sunday's service

Tony, assisted by Jupiter, will be leading our Cafe Worship on Sunday starting at 10.30am. The cafe will be open from 10am, so come along early and enjoy breakfast. Their Order of Service is attached for those who receive these Notices by email.

Communion service Sunday 31st May

Please note that this will now be at **5pm** and not 6pm as initially advertised.

Spring Craft Fayre - ways you can help

- Tombola - donations of new or unwanted gifts
- Advertising - leaflet delivery
- Cakes - making cakes for - you guessed it – the cake stall
- Volunteering - helping out the evening before to set up and on the day to staff our stalls

Please see Sylvia for more information.

From Jupiter & Cody

What a wonderful marathon day we had! Cody and I are so proud of us for smashing it all the way to the finish line.

Crossing 26.2 miles is a huge milestone for any runner, and this day was truly a highlight.

We couldn't have done it without your support, especially my dear church family. Every encouraging message, kind word, and generous donation meant the world to me.

A huge thank you to everyone—you've made a real difference. Together, we raised **£5,218** for Mencap, supporting people with learning disabilities, their families, and carers. I'm so grateful, and I pray our generosity continues to grow.

We'll be baking cakes and cookies to share after Sunday's service so let's celebrate together! And a special shoutout to Tony Loft, who won our "guess the finish time" game with the closest prediction. Your prize is ready!

Thank you all, from the bottom of our hearts.



Please remember in your prayers

- Jean Gear who is in Belmont House
- Kay Moore who is in Links House
- Mary Heaton who is receiving home care
- Colin Smith who is in hospital undergoing investigation

Also, please remember their families and all who have anniversaries of the passing of their loved ones this week.

Faith in Action (FiA)

We have received news that the Salvation Army has informed FiA that they will shortly be serving them with notice to quit and that they may have to vacate their premises as early as the end of November this year.

As you know, FiA has, since its inception, operated from the Salvation Army Hall in Kingston Road. This is a wonderful location for them. They can offer hot showers, washing machines, counselling and help, a meeting space for service users and of course an extensive kitchen where our volunteers cook nutritious hot meals for the homeless of Merton. And it's well served by public transport, so those in need can get to them. With your help, they've been able to bring hope and dignity to some of the most marginalised people in our community.

Finding alternative premises in the area that can offer affordable facilities as extensive as these is a Herculean task and so while they are looking for somewhere else, they are focussed on persuading the Salvation Army to reverse their decision.

They desperately need your help and if you are happy to sign their petition then follow the link below and share the petition with anyone you can think of.

<https://www.change.org/SaveMertonFaithInAction>

With your help and support, they hope to weather this storm and keep FiA open for the homeless and vulnerably-housed people of Merton.

Thank you.

Church Diary May 2026

Sunday	17th	10:30	Tony Loft (Café Worship)
Tuesday	19th	10:30	Coffee & Chat
Wednesday	20th	11:30	Open Table - our surplus food café
		20:00	Church Council (In Church)
Sunday	24th	10:30	Revd Paul Timmis (Holy Communion)
Tuesday	26th	10:30	Coffee & Chat
Wednesday	27th	11:30	Open Table - our surplus food café
Friday	29th	12:30	Lunch Club
Saturday	30th	10:30	Spring Craft & Gift Fayre
Sunday	31st	10:30	Viv Newitt
		17:00	Revd Paul Timmis (Holy Communion)

Church Diary June 2026

Tuesday	2nd	10:30	Coffee & Chat
Wednesday	3rd	11:30	Open Table - our surplus food café
Sunday	7th	10:30	Valerie Ashcroft
Tuesday	9th	10:30	Coffee & Chat
Wednesday	10th	11:30	Open Table - our surplus food café
Friday	12th	12:30	Lunch Club
Sunday	14th	10:30	Tony Loft (Café Worship)
		12:30	Community Garden
Tuesday	16th	10:30	Coffee & Chat
Wednesday	17th	11:30	Open Table - our surplus food café
Sunday	21st	10:30	Revd David Hookins (Holy Communion)
Tuesday	23rd	10:30	Coffee & Chat
Wednesday	24th	11:30	Open Table - our surplus food café
Friday	26th	12:30	Lunch Club
Sunday	28th	10:30	Brenda Cannon
		18:00	Revd Emma Cusack (Holy Communion)
Tuesday	30th	10:30	Coffee & Chat

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