

Saturday 12th September, 2026

10.0 - 11.30 a.m. - Coffee morning

11.15 p.m. - Monthly recital -

The Phoenix Chamber Choir

Sunday 13th September, 2026

10.30 a.m. - Rev. Vicki Atkinson - Sacrament

4.00 p.m. - Mrs. Marilyn Hall - Café Church

Monday 14th September, 2026

9.30 - 11.30 a.m. - **CHATTERBOX**

Coffee, good conversation and a friendly ear

Tuesday 15th September, 2026

11.30 a.m. - Brenda Hill's Funeral

Wednesday 16th September, 2026

7.45 a.m. - Prayer meeting by Zoom

Wednesday 16th September, 2026

10.0 - 11.30 a.m. - **Jack in a Box**

a fun time for pre-school age children and their parents or carers.

Wednesday 16th September, 2026

2.30 p.m. - **MWiB** - Pauline

Saturday 19th September, 2026

11.00 a.m. The baptism of Esme (daughter of Hannah and Grand daughter of Reg & Lorraine).

The worship band are playing. Members of Wesley congregation are very welcome to attend.

Sunday 20th September, 2026

10.30 a.m. - **At Misterton**

Rev. Vicki Atkinson - Sacrament

4.00 p.m. - House Group

Brenda Hill

The Funeral service for Brenda Hill will take place at Wesley Memorial on Tuesday 15th September at 11.30 a.m. led by Rev Stuart Gunson.

The service will be followed by Cremation at Woodlands Crematorium in Scunthorpe.

All enquiries to R Wallace Funeral Directors.

Gift Aid

This comes in the form of an appeal to anyone who is a tax payer and has not yet signed up to the gift aid scheme.

It costs nothing and all giving is highly confidential. It can make such a difference to the Church coffers.

In the tax year 2024-2025 we claimed gift aid on a total of £19,918.40, which equated to a credit to our Bank account of £4,904.25.

The Methodist Tax Recovery section do charge a small fee. The fee for that year was £75.60. In addition to this we claimed the maximum Gift Aid on Small Donations of £8,000 which achieved a credit of £1,999.00.

Admin fee was only £10.00 for recovery of this. The total, therefore, being £6,894.25.

However, we could do more. We are only allowed to claim £8,000 on these small donations and therefore if you are a tax payer please give serious thought to signing up to the scheme. It's such a simple form. You can make your Sunday giving by standing order or ask me for an offertory envelope.

A record has to be kept of your giving.
Why look a gift horse in the mouth!

With many blessings and thanks to you all. Marilyn

Advanced Notice

From the commencement of the September plan, the morning service on the third Sunday of the month will be rotated to the various chapels on the Isle (Epworth, Misterton, Haxey, Owston Ferry).

This is an attempt to support all the chapels on the Isle, whilst recognising that we have a limited number of preachers, resulting in it being difficult to have services at all the chapels at the same time.

This is to be an experiment to see whether this is feasible going forward.

When travelling to other chapels, every effort should be made to car share and to offer lifts to those who don't have transport.

Advanced Notice

It was decided at Church Council that from September 2026 we will **not** have a service at 4.00pm on the fourth Sunday of each month, as we do now.

This is due to the Circuit going down to two Ministers and the reduced number of local preachers available

Advanced Notice

The District has gained a bronze Eco District Award.

A district service to celebrate this and all things eco will be held at Brigg Methodist Church on Sunday September 27th, 2026 at 3pm.

Preacher Rev Angy Long.

Bethlehem's Best Christmas:

Following the success of the Nativity Pantomime, we are planning to stage another production: Bethlehem's Best Christmas.

We are looking for volunteers, young or old, to take part in the performance.

If you are interested or know someone in your community who would like to join the cast, please get in touch.

Approximate Timeline

End of September: Casting and script development.

October: Read-throughs and rehearsals begin.

Showtime: 3pm on Saturday 2 January and Sunday 3 January 2027.

Cast List

Dame Bossy Betty – The local laundress. Loud, cheerful, with outrageous costumes and terrible jokes.

Benny – Betty's assistant. Kind-hearted but not the sharpest.

Mary

Joseph

Gabriel

King Herod – The villain.

Captain Crumble – Herod's hopeless soldier.

Innkeeper Ivy

Three Wise Visitors – Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar.

Shepherds

Angel Chorus

Spread the word!

To volunteer or suggest someone for the cast, please contact Dave or Margaret Chennells in person or by email: dave.chennells123@gmail.com

When Israel came out of Egypt,
the house of Jacob from a people
of foreign tongue.

Judah became God's sanctuary,
Israel his dominion.

The sea looked and fled,
the Jordan turned back;
the mountains skipped like rams,
the hills like lambs.

Psalm 114 Vs 1-4 (NIV)



Wesley Memorial
Church, Epworth

Notices for the week commencing

Sunday 13th September, 2026

Minister	Rev. Vicki Atkinson - 01427 370089 v_a_atkinson@yahoo.co.uk
Contact Steward	Dr. John Wilkinson 46, Lockwood Bank, Tel. 01427 873069 johnjhnwilkinson@aol.com
Face book	www.facebook.com/ WesleyMemorialMethodistChurchEpworth
Baptisms	Please contact the Minister
Circuit web site	www.esgmethodist.org.uk
Notices	Ian Fields - ianfields814@gmail.com
Room bookings	epworth_roombookings@esgmethodist.org.uk
Safeguarding Officer	Andrew Bamford - 07549 123574 epworthwesleysafeguarding@gmail.com
	Our Church Prayer chain is now using WhatsApp, which is totally encrypted, adding to our security and privacy policy. If you have a prayer request (with permission from the recipient) or wish to know more about becoming part of the Prayer Group, please contact Pauline - 01427 875478 or Pat - 0777 6490275 in the first instance.

Lectionary Readings

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus Ch.14 Vs.19-31

Psalm 114

Romans Ch.14 Vs.1-12

Matthew Ch.18 Vs.21-35