

The Week Ahead

The Methodist Church 

Welcome to The Week Ahead.

We're currently in the middle of **Youth Work Week** so why not give a

special thank you to a Youth Worker this week! Don't forget there are also some great resources at [The Well](#).

I will be staffing the out-of-hours support line this week (07969 986 376).

God bless,

Toby

 On the box

An Island Parish
Friday, 8:30pm, BBC Two


This first episode of the new series focuses on the Revd Richard Hines as he prepares for Palm Sunday.

RBL Festival of Remembrance 2015
Saturday, 9pm, BBC One

Huw Edwards presents coverage from this annual event held at the Royal Albert Hall, paying tribute to the victims of conflict.

Songs of Praise
Sunday, 4:15pm, BBC Two

Bill Turnbull presents a special Remembrance programme from the Imperial War Museum

 Radio

Remembrance
Sunday, 10:30am, BBC Radio 4

Remembrance Sunday

The President of the Conference, the Revd Steve Wild, will be attending the **National Service of Remembrance** at the London Cenotaph on **Sunday 8 November**. For more information on the service, [click here](#).

Unpopular, ineffective and immoral

The latest Joint Public Issues Team campaign, **#enough**, has now been launched - calling on the Government to reconsider the serious effects the **Welfare and Reform and Work Bill** will have on poor families in the UK. You can [see the press release](#), [read the report](#), [watch the video](#), [contact your MP](#) and [download accompanying resources](#).

70 years

As part of their 70th anniversary celebrations, the **Methodist Book Centre**, Stoke on Trent, will be holding a special book signing with author and theologian Tom (NT) Wright on **Monday 9 November**. [Click here](#) for more details.

Now & Not Yet

The Holy Biscuit will be celebrating their **5th birthday** with a party and launch event on **Thursday 26 November**, where they will be launching their new publication '**Now & Not Yet**', which explores the season of advent through art, writing and stillness. For more information, [click here](#).

#GivingTuesday

Tuesday 1 December is [#GivingTuesday](#), where people across the UK will be encouraged to donate to charity. If you'd like to get involved, why not consider hosting an [Advent Offering service](#), or donate to the [Mission in Britain Fund](#).

Methodist Studies Seminar

Coverage of the ceremony of Remembrance from the Cenotaph in London.

Pause for Thought
Monday, 5:45am, BBC Radio 2

The Revd Tony Miles on 'Light in the Darkness' (Diwali).

Daily Service
Monday, 9:45am, BBC Radio 4 LW

Christian worship with a Bible reading, prayer and music, led by the Revd Dr Mark Wakelin.

See [The Radio Times](#) for further listings.

The next Methodist Studies Seminar will be held at the Manchester Wesley Research Centre on **Saturday 5 December**. This bi-annual event is sponsored by a collaboration of Methodist based Colleges, Universities and Centres and provides an opportunity for established and emerging Methodist Studies scholars to present their **findings and research**. For more information, including a programme of the day, [click here](#).

Podcast: Inside the Insight Film Fest

George Luke presents the latest [Methodist podcast](#) from the **Insight Film Festival 2015**, which celebrates films about faith from across the world.

This week in Parliament

You can find this week's **parliamentary business** online [here](#). If you want to find out about the **Scottish Parliamentary calendar** [click here](#) and the timetable for the **National Assembly for Wales** [click here](#).

Reflections

In the coming week the [Prayer Handbook](#) will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in Southern Africa, East Africa, Latin America, the Caribbean, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time](#) Bible studies is **People of God** written by the Revd Jonathan Mead.

Video Thursday: The parable of the Good Samaritan

[This week's video](#), from the **Worship: Leading and Preaching Course**, features a range of speakers discussing **different interpretations** of the parable of the Good Samaritan.

***The Week Ahead** is a regular mailing that aims to give people a heads up on upcoming events and opportunities, as well as highlighting new information and resources. We don't always remember everything, so please do [email us](#) if you have any feedback or ideas for items to include.*