



## April Service

### Easter Day

At 3.00 pm

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Led by Revd. Kevin Hooke

**We hope you can come**

Loving God,

Fill us with your grace, so we can:  
know the way and walk in it,  
hear your word and respond to it,  
see injustice and address it,  
be attentive to pain and alleviate it,  
seek transformation and bring it,  
through your empowering Spirit.



**Amen**

Andrew Charlesworth, Chair, Wales Synod Cymru  
*From the Methodist Prayer Handbook 2025/2026*

Rota We are continuing to seek someone to help provide tea/coffee and cake once every four months. If you would like to join the rota and help in this or another way, please let us know. Thank you.

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# Poundsgate Methodist Church



**Teignbridge Circuit**

Beside the main road from Ashburton to Tavistock about 1/2 mile on the moorland side of Poundsgate village (TQ13 7NY)



# March 2026



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**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026**  
**At 3 pm**  
**Led by Revd. Kevin Hooke**  
In conversation with  
Revd Phill Parker  
**We hope you can come**

**Dear Friends,**

I tend to enjoy journeys. For me, they are often associated with visiting family or with time out and holidays. I love the expectation of seeing people, the discovery of new places, and then the journey back to the familiarity of home. In my ministerial life, I love driving across the moor in all its moods and seasons, down through the South Hams, and over to the borders of Cornwall. I enjoy the mode of transport – being behind the wheel, or on a train, and occasional, by ferry or plane.

At the moment, we are being invited to journey through Lent, and like the journeys above, both the travelling and the destination are important. In my services last Sunday morning (when the lectionary reading was Jesus' temptations), I likened Lent to a period when we allow God to hold a mirror up to us, to invite to us ask what we see, not so much on the outside, but on the inside – what aspects of our lives we need him gently to work on, that we might continue to be transformed more into his image.

I don't know what groups or courses of reflection you are using as you journey through Lent this year, but let me encourage you to see what we are doing in our local Mission Community.

**Please be sure to stay for tea/coffee  
and cake after the service**

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We have asked 6 of our lay preachers/ministers to produce reflections on Jesus' various words from the cross, and these have been produced on large boards which will be circulated around the local parish churches week by week. If you live locally please seek them out – but if that's not practical for you, you can also find them on the Moorland Mission Community website ( <https://ashburtonandmoor.org.uk> ) by clicking on the 'news and services' tab and choosing the Lent 2026 option.

This month at Poundsgate, we celebrate our local Mission Community as we welcome our Rector, Phill Parker, to be interviewed, whilst next month's service falls on Easter Sunday – the glorious destination point of all our Lenten journeying. Rather than having an interview on Easter Day, we thought it would be good to invite you to share an Easter reading/poem/song that is important to you – so please give it some thought and come prepared!

**Every blessing,  
Kevin**

**Front page:** A Lenten Rose - Hellebore

**Back page:** An Early Bumblebee (Bombus pratorum)