



August Service
At 3.00 pm
Sunday 2nd August 2026
Led by Revd. Kevin Hooke
in conversation with
Alwyn Marriage
We hope you can come

Joint service Arrangements have been made for another joint service at Exminster Methodist Church (EX6 8BT) on Sunday 9th

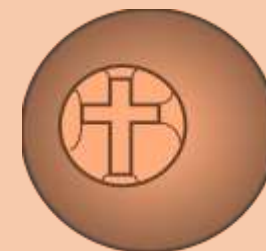


August. This now annual service first started at around the time of the pandemic when friends from Ashburton and Poundsgate joined with the congregation at Exminster in an open air service at Exminster led by Revd. Kevin Hooke. This year the service is being led by Dr. Sue Jones with

great musical support from Trevor, Nancy and Roger. The service is due to be followed by a picnic on the church lawn, using the shade of the big Liquidambar tree, as needed, or the church hall if the weather is unsuitable. We hope you may be able to come. Please bring a picnic. Drinks are provided.



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)



July 2026



July Service
Sunday 5th July 2026
Led by Revd. Kevin Hooke
in conversation with
Revd. John Mills,
hospital chaplain
We hope you can come

Dear friends,

One of the things I enjoy about Poundsgate is the variety of interviewees and speakers we have at services. Over the last couple of months, we have heard about a local charity working to support people in eastern Europe, and Ruth's call to, and role within, the Methodist diaconal order. This month, we welcome Rev John Mills, a chaplain with the Plymouth NHS trust; in August we shall be visited by Alwyn Marriage who has been involved in a poetry project based around the Methodist modern art collection; and then in September, Rev Erica Roberts, one of our locally resident attendees, will share something about her experience as a pioneer minister.

So that covers Christian charity, chaplaincy, the arts and two forms of ordained ministry. Five very different callings, five different expressions of faith and the gospel, and five different ways of serving and enacting the kingdom. Each of them important and playing their part, each a strand within the tapestry that makes up the outgoing work of the living Christ today.

Sometimes the life of the church can be restrictive – we have roles that have to be fulfilled and activities which we labour to keep going

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

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(neither of which is bad, of course), which if we are not careful define what we imagine God is doing. But I recall a member in the first church I looked after over 30 years ago, who was the treasurer, caretaker and a Sunday School teacher among other things – a true stalwart who help keep the church going. And yet it often struck me that his real ministry was in his day job. He was a local undertaker, and the care and attention he gave to people in some of the most difficult experiences of their lives was remarkable.

All of us, in and/or outside the life of the Church, have our own ways of living out and expressing our faith. Christ needs them, and each one of us is a vital thread in the multi-faceted and colourful kingdom tapestry of Christ.

With love and blessings,

Kevin

Rota We continue 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.**