

Methodist Centenary Church

Wesley House, Leeson Park, Dublin 6

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Announcements on 8th October 2025

Our Mission Statement

Our Mission is to receive God's love and to share it with others through our Welcome, our Worship, our Community and our Service.

Harvest Sunday Service

 Sunday 12th October, 10:30am

 Methodist Centenary Church, Leeson Park, D6

We are giving thanks for Dublin Port this year. God provides much of our requirements through this Port. Psalm 107 reminds us of this. 'Others went out on the sea in ships; they were merchants on the mighty waters'. Along with our morning service, we are planning a boat trip around the Port (courtesy of the Port Authority). Watch this space. Details regarding the decoration will follow. We are thankful that it has been a good year for fruit, vegetables and flowers. Non perishable items for God's Store House would also be gratefully received and will be distributed as part of the Christmas hampers.

Boat trip round Dublin Port

Saturday 11th October, 11.30am

Boat trip around the Port (courtesy of the Port Authority), meeting by the MV Cill Áirne in front of the National Conference Centre. Though free, names are required in advance.

Thought for the week



Action for the environment is keeping us busy at Centenary these days. It is a joy that projects are finally being concluded more than a year since we were first approved for funding from the Dublin City Council (DCC) Community Climate Fund. The new bicycle cage was 'tested' by student Peter Lewis on Friday morning and pronounced 'fine'. If you are curious, the cost was €13,721, funded by DCC. The Leinster House version cost €336,000. Energy saving doors have been installed with grant funding totalling €37,198. Pollinator friendly planting is to be added during October.

This is about much more than a 'windfall' for building upgrades that we might not otherwise afford. Participation in the DCC programme makes us part of a network of communities supporting Ireland's commitment to reducing its carbon emissions by 51% by 2030 and becoming a climate neutral economy by 2050. These are ambitious targets and need much more than small efforts like ours. There are grounds to be

sceptical, but if Christian churches give in to despair and inaction on climate and related social justice, how can they retain credibility in wider society?

Pope Leo, at the recent conference to mark ten years of Laudato Si, highlighted the importance of beginning this work from a basis of faith:

"These challenges are of a social and political nature, but first and foremost of a spiritual nature: they call for conversion. May each of us grow in these four relationships — with God, with others, with nature and with ourselves — through a constant attitude of conversion. Integral ecology thrives on all these relationships. Through our commitment to them, we can grow in hope"

Maureen Rowan Harvey

Prayer



Creator God,

We give you thanks for this collaboration in the care of creation:- for the funders in Dublin City Council, for the contractors who did good work, for service users who will reduce carbon emissions as a result, and for our Eco Congregation Representative without which it would not have happened. May this encourage us all to do what we can,

In the Name of Him who cares for all of his creation,

Amen

Rev Andrew Kingston

Bible Study – The Romans Course **next session 15th October**



The study on 8th October is postponed due to the student meal. Our weekly Bible Study series resumes on **Wednesday, 15th October at 7:30pm**. We'll be exploring The Romans Course together. All are welcome to join! I highly recommend this 10 week course.

You'll find the course notes attached as a PDF via this link. [The Romans Course.pdf](#) We encourage you to download them to save on printing. A limited number of printed copies will also be available for anyone who can't access them on a phone or printer.

SONGS of PRAISE 🎵🌿

📅 Sunday 19th October, 3pm

📍 Methodist Centenary Church, Leeson Park, D6

📄 [SongsOfPraiseFlyerA5 Proof.pdf](#)

The flyer features a large black circle with 'SONGS of PRAISE' in gold serif font. The circle is surrounded by a ring of gold musical notes. Below the circle, the event details are listed: Sunday 19th October 2025 at 3pm, Methodist Centenary Church, Leeson Park, Dublin 6. The text continues: 'Join in with lots of traditional and contemporary singing', 'Led by our band ensemble', 'MUSIC CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDE:', followed by a list of performers and their roles. At the bottom, it says 'THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Rev Andrew Dougherty (District Superintendent)', 'Retiring offering', and 'Light refreshments served after the event'. A small vertical text on the right edge reads 'Designed by www.fresh.com'.

CENTENARY ENTERTAINS

- a concert of piano music

'Bach Plus' - music by J.S. Bach and contrasting
composers including Rachmaninoff, Granados, Dett, Joplin and Nyman.

Saturday

NOVEMBER 1ST 2025

7PM. WESLEY HOUSE LEESON PARK DUBLIN

FREE ADMISSION CONCERT

(VOLUNTARY DONATIONS TO CHURCH FUNDS)

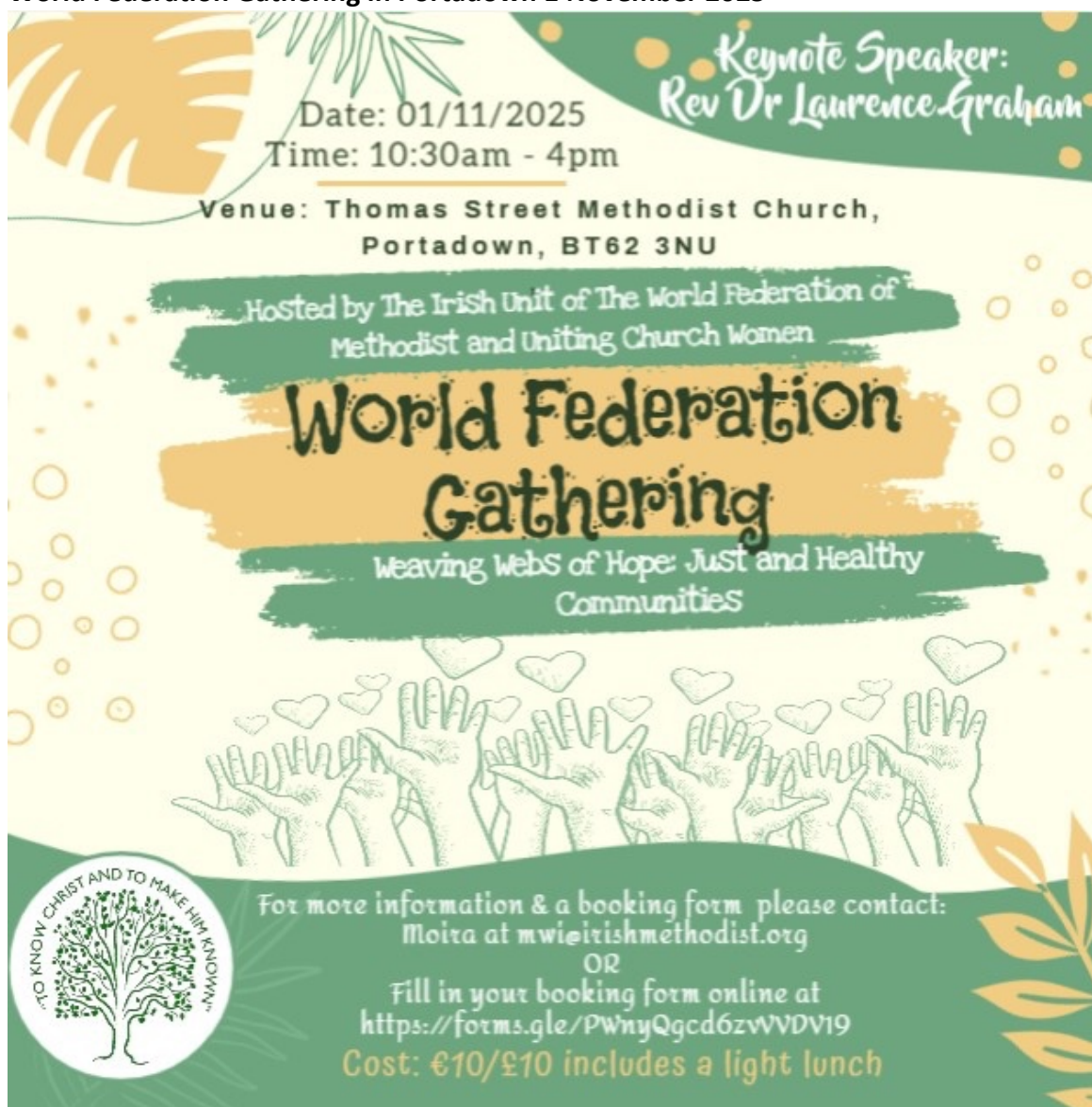
Featuring

Soo-Jung Ann, Brian McIvor, Sayjin Park,
Derek Seymour, Boon-Beng Shu, Julie Sim
with our compere Rose Henderson

Light refreshments provided during the interval

World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women

World Federation Gathering in Portadown 1 November 2025



The poster features a green and orange color scheme with tropical leaf patterns. At the top right, it lists the Keynote Speaker as Rev Dr Laurence Graham. The date and time are 01/11/2025 from 10:30am to 4pm. The venue is Thomas Street Methodist Church, Portadown, BT62 3NU. It is hosted by The Irish Unit of The World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women. The main title is 'World Federation Gathering' with the subtitle 'Weaving Webs of Hope: Just and Healthy Communities'. Below this is an illustration of many hands reaching up towards hearts. At the bottom left is a circular logo with a tree and the text 'TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN'. Contact information for Moira is provided, along with an online booking form link and the cost of €10/£10 including a light lunch.

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Rev Dr Laurence Graham

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Time: 10:30am - 4pm

Venue: Thomas Street Methodist Church,
Portadown, BT62 3NU

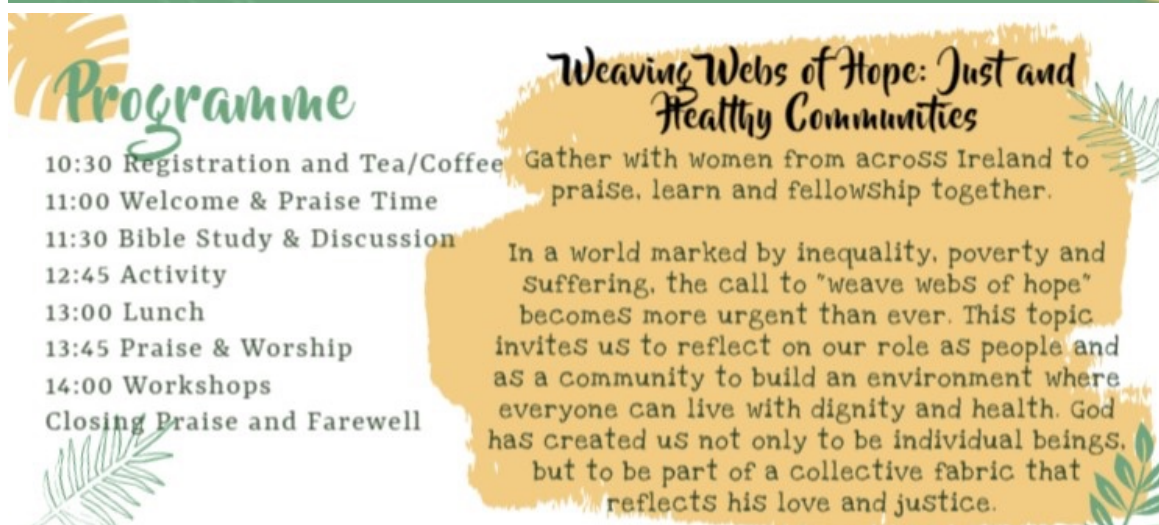
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World Federation Gathering

Weaving Webs of Hope: Just and Healthy
Communities

For more information & a booking form please contact:
Moira at mwieirishmethodist.org
OR
Fill in your booking form online at
<https://forms.gle/PWnyQgcd6zvVVDV19>
Cost: €10/£10 includes a light lunch

TO KNOW CHRIST AND TO MAKE HIM KNOWN



The poster has a green and orange design with leaf motifs. It lists a programme of events from 10:30 to 14:00, including registration, welcome, Bible study, activity, lunch, praise, workshops, and a closing farewell. A quote about 'weaving webs of hope' is featured in a central orange box.

Programme

10:30 Registration and Tea/Coffee
11:00 Welcome & Praise Time
11:30 Bible Study & Discussion
12:45 Activity
13:00 Lunch
13:45 Praise & Worship
14:00 Workshops
Closing Praise and Farewell

Weaving Webs of Hope: Just and Healthy Communities

Gather with women from across Ireland to praise, learn and fellowship together.

In a world marked by inequality, poverty and suffering, the call to "weave webs of hope" becomes more urgent than ever. This topic invites us to reflect on our role as people and as a community to build an environment where everyone can live with dignity and health. God has created us not only to be individual beings, but to be part of a collective fabric that reflects his love and justice.

Area President Nomination

Nominations are being invited for the **position of Area President**, 2026 – 2030, for our area. Nomination forms are available from Rev Andrew Kingston.

Helen Kim Memorial

I would be extremely grateful if you could share within your churches and groups the following documentation regarding the nominations being sought for the Helen Kim Memorial scholar.

- General Information
- Aims & Objectives
- Application Form in both Word and PDF format

[These are in an email sent separately from the Announcements today.]

Closing date for applications is 15th October, 2025 and interviews are planned for the 18 October, (afternoon/evening).

Alexa A Brown

MWI - All Ireland President.

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Book Club

Our choice for October is *In Good Time* by Rev Harold Good.

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month from 12.30-2.00pm in Room 1, Wesley House. Each month we choose a book from a wide range of genres including biography, crime fiction, historical novels, humour and children's novels. We always have a lively discussion, with very varied opinions. We currently have 15 members and would be delighted to increase our numbers. If you would be interested in joining us, please contact Sylvia on sylviahroddie@gmail.com

Methodist Historical Society Annual Lecture

Friday 17th: Methodist Historical Society Annual Lecture. The lecture, *From Feakle to the Falls and Derry's Walls*, will be given by Dr David Gallagher. A Zoom link will be forwarded closer to the time.

Monthly Morning Holy Communion

There is a monthly morning Holy Communion Service on the second Wednesday of each month from 10.00–10.30am in Room 1 followed by the Friendly Room.

Friendly Room

The Friendly Room meets on Wednesdays in Room 1, Wesley House. If you are free, do drop in for a cuppa and a chat between 10.30 and 12 noon. All are welcome—it's a great spot to catch up, enjoy good company, and share a bit of banter.

Sky's The Limit

Sky's the Limit continues on 4th November, 2nd December; 3rd February 2026, 3rd March 2026, 5th May 2026 (no session in January or on the Tuesday after Easter). Please save the dates.

Connect ... through English

Connect ... through English meets weekly in Room 1 of Wesley House on Thursday mornings. (10.30 am – noon) It is open to people who have come to Ireland with hopes of making it their home for the short or long term. A team of South City Circuit members, working 4 at a time, take it in turns to host the gathering. We chat over cups of tea or coffee and join in an activity that gives further opportunity for practising oral English.

No two weeks are the same.

People come to Ireland for all sorts of reasons – e.g. education, work, in search of asylum or sometimes with Refugee status which has already been granted.

All are welcome.

If you are interested, whether to join the team of facilitators, or as a participant, please just come along or email us at english@methodistcentenary.ie

God's Storehouse in Tallaght

 Please put donations of non-perishable food in the basket in the Coffee Bar at Wesley House

Giving to the church

Standing Order or Bank Transfer:

Bank: AIB Bank plc, 7/12 Dame Street, Dublin 2

Account Name: Methodist Centenary Church Council No. 3 Account

BIC: AIBKIE2D

IBAN: IE89AIBK93122526909346

 Please include your **offering envelope number** so that the church can avail of tax relief on our donations.

 Questions? Please contact Alan Perry.

Tax Back Tax Relief Scheme

A taxpayer who contributes €250 to the church in a year enables the church to recover €112.82 from the Revenue Commissioners thereby increasing the donation to €362.82, and pro rata for donations of over €250. This scheme brought in over €17,000 last year. To register, you need an envelope number and a CHY3 form from Lynne Pasley. This latter is valid for 5 years and doesn't commit you to make any future donations.

Debit or credit card

A card reader is placed in the Coffee Bar each Sunday through which donations can be made using a debit or credit card.

Cheque

If you can not come to church and you contribute by cheque we ask you to post your cheque, quoting your envelope number, to Billy Given. You can contact him at billygiven115@gmail.com

Forthcoming Services at 10.30am

October 19	Service of worship with Jean Kingston
October 26	Service of worship with Gillie Hinds
November 2	Service of Holy Communion with Rev Andrew Kingston
November 9	Service of worship with Rev Andrew Kingston

Local preachers

Our local preachers take services regularly on the circuit and sometimes outside it. The current preaching plan includes:

October 12	10.00 Tallaght Mr Erick Mwazonga
November 2	10.00 Tallaght Ms Mary Peters
November 9	10.00 Tallaght Mrs Gillie Hinds

Text for Announcements

Text for inclusion in the Announcements should be sent to news@methodistcentenary.ie. The deadline is 10.00am on Wednesday morning.

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