

Methodist Centenary Church

Wesley House, Leeson Park, Dublin 6

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Announcements on 15th 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.

Sunday 20th October

Service of worship with Mrs Jean Kingston

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. This is the Zoom link

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82737724712?pwd=IDneHctvcy3wyB0TDFuaRLlWsQnaaR.1>

Meeting ID: 827 3772 4712

Passcode: 376696

Book Club

Our book choice for October was *In Good Time* by Rev Harold Good and everyone agreed that it was a very good read. Our choice for November is *James* by Percival Everitt.

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

Thought for the week

The Romans Course is full of helpful illustrations. This one by Dr Andrew Ollerton amused me. 'When I was growing up, one of my favourite comedians was Peter Kay. As a northerner, he was well trained at dunking a biscuit in a mug of tea. On one of his shows, he captured the devastating moment when a weak biscuit like a Rich Tea is overwhelmed by the heat and collapses into your mug. By contrast, he suggests, Hobnob biscuits are made of sturdier stuff. They are so resilient they can take a good dunking and still come back for more! So, it is with faith: if we are to become resilient Christians, the key is not in being brave types who win medals. What makes the difference is that we are secure in God's unchanging love. Then, instead of giving way in the heat, we can live out the truth that suffering produces perseverance.'

Faith is like a muscle that will weaken if not used. Suffering can lead to growth and character development. Paul turns the idea of suffering as a sign of weakness and defeat on its head when he says that we 'glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.' (Romans 5:2-5)

Prayer



Dear Lord, we pray for the resilience that the Holy Spirit gives so that you may be glorified through our lives today, regardless of our circumstances, Amen.

Bible Study – The Romans Course **tonight**



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.

ECUMENICAL SERVICE OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION

**FOR OUR BROTHERS
AND SISTERS IN GAZA**

Join us for an evening of
prayer and reflection,
united in hope for peace in
the Middle East.
All are welcome.

**SUNDAY, 19TH OCTOBER
7PM
CHRIST CHURCH TANNEY,
DUNDRUM**



Dublin Port trip, Saturday 11 October



Lar Joye (burgundy coat, centre, to the rear of the group) is Heritage Director of Dublin Port. His role is to make Dublin Port as accessible and integrated as possible, within the confines of a very busy working space. With this in mind, we were amazed that we were able to have a boat trip right into the heart of the Alexandra Basin, and a bus tour through the heart of a working port. We give thanks to God for the seafarers and the port authorities who are lifelines for the island of Ireland.

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

SONGS of PRAISE 🎵🎶

📅 Sunday 19th October, 3pm

📍 Methodist Centenary Church, Leeson Park,
D6

📄 [SongsOfPraiseFlyerA5 Proof.pdf](#)



**SONGS
of
PRAISE**

Sunday 19th October 2025 at 3pm
Methodist Centenary Church
Leeson Park, Dublin 6

Join in with lots of traditional and contemporary singing
Led by our band ensemble

MUSIC CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDE:
Derek Seymour (*Music Director*)
Soo-Jung Ann (*piano*) • Rejoice Gospel Choir • Sarah Jones (*soloist*)
Dublin Korean Centenary Male Voice
Hyelee Jeong (*soloist*) • Sin-Seock Kim (*piano*)
Chamber Ensemble • Amelie O'Kelly (*soloist*)

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: Rev Andrew Dougherty (*District Superintendent*)
Retiring offering
Light refreshments served after the event

Design: www.freeph.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

Church Giving Envelopes

If you would like a pack of church giving envelopes for 2026 (and did not have one this year), please contact Lynne Pasley at lynnepasley@gmail.com. Thank you

World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women

mwi@irishmethodist.org OR Fill in your booking form online at <https://forms.gle/PWnyQgcd6zvVVDV19> Cost: €10/£10 includes a light lunch'."/>

Keynote Speaker:
Rev Dr Laurence Graham

Date: 01/11/2025
Time: 10:30am - 4pm

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

Hosted by The Irish Unit of The World Federation of
Methodist and Uniting Church Women

World Federation Gathering

Weaving Webs of Hope: Just and Healthy
Communities

For more information & a booking form please contact:
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Programme

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.

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

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

Due to the Dublin Marathon there are traffic restrictions in place. However I can confirm following a conversation with the Race Master, those from outside the route can approach Leeson Park via the N11. He has added the following to the Marathon website: **NOTE: The N11 is open both ways as the runners pass under the UCD flyover.** The Luas is also running as normal to Ranelagh Station. The route is outlined in white in the map below.

Irish Life

UBLIN
MARATHON 2025

Phoenix Park

Dublin Zoo

Brickfields Park

Bushy Park

River Liffey

Grand Canal

Start
(Leeson Street Lower)

Finish
(Mount Street Upper)

Irish Life Mile

Legend:

- 11 Mile Marks
- Medical / Ambulance Stations
- ishka Water Stations
- Lucasade Sports Drink stations
- High 5 Gel Stations
- Toilets
- Q102 Music Zone
- DUBLIN'S 102
- Support Zone
- Drop Out Point

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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 Website: www.methodistcentenary.ie

 Whatsapp: [Centenary Updates](#)