

Autumn 2026

Churches Together in Kingswood

National Heritage Open Days

12 - 13th September

There is an opportunity to explore the interior of Kingswood Abbey Gatehouse and St Mary's Church.

All will be open **12pm - 4pm**, with teas and a family quiz in St Mary's, and 2nd hand books and activities in the Gatehouse.



5th September Messy Church at Show Day (1:30-4:30pm)

Come and enjoy a taster of what goes on

Lighthouse Youth Club

7-8.30pm every Thursday

Lower School Room

Open to any 11-15 year olds

Parental registration required.



Ride and Stride 12 September

Sponsor us, or plan your own route, or join us for a leisurely cycle ride around some local historic churches.



"Pastors Table"

**On Wednesdays 16th September - 16th December
10-12pm - Congregational Church**

Open to all faiths and none, just pop in for a coffee and chat about anything. For more details email

minister@kingswoodcongregational.org.uk.



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Key Services

Harvest Celebrations

**20th September
10.30am**

Messy Harvest

Congregational Church @
Lower School Rooms
Exploring harvest with
stories, crafts, song

**4th October
11am**

Harvest Thanksgiving
*Churches Together @
the Allotments*
Followed by a bring
and share picnic

Donations of tinned food
for Stroud District Food
Bank welcome



hot chocolate
from 5.40!

All Souls

1st Nov 3pm
St Mary's
Church



Remembrance

8th Nov 10.55am
War Memorial



Christingle

29th Nov 6pm
St Mary's
Church



More details at stmaryskingswood.org.uk and kingswoodcongregational.org.uk

Autumn Peace

I have lived in a number of areas in the UK. South, North, middle and West. IMO Kingswood village and this area is the best. We're a community, a village. We have a pub, a shop and a church (well two in fact). I am the minister and pastor of Kingswood Congregational Church. I also help in the Lighthouse Youth Group. I meet and talk to a great many people and find a growing trend of anxiety that meets us even here in rural Gloucestershire! The cost of living; the NHS; the economy; immigration; wars and misinformation. What is the church doing about these things? Now I can say that my church does try to alleviate economic concerns by supporting charities such as Keepers in Kingswood, the Food Bank and further afield where natural disasters and conflict require help. Anxiety however, is personal. This is what the bible (Jesus) says in Matthew 6.34 "So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today's trouble is enough for today." Of course, that would only help if you know Jesus. God, in Jesus, loves us and wants us to show that love to everyone else. In all of life's' worries there is a peace in knowing Jesus love. We will never be shielded from man-made, every day, worries. Not in this life anyway but I do know from experience that Jesus is able to take us through the very real anxieties of today.



Bob Hart

GOD GIVES THE HARVEST

How Many Wheat
Can You Find?

"The land yields its harvest;
God, our God, blesses us."
(Psalm 67:6)

Can you reach the
harvest basket?



WORD SEARCH

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WORD SCRAMBLE

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- ehlcbsigns =
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- nuppmkpi =
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THANK YOU
GOD FOR

FAITH BLESSINGS HARVEST
PUMPKIN PRAYER CHURCH WHEAT
JESUS BIBLE PEACE LOVE