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Church



ST MARY'S
SHIREHAMPTON

12th Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 23rd August 2026

"And who do you say I am?"

This week



10:30am Worship for All with
Holy Communion
Rev Alison Sowton
Amy Boucher

*Please stay after the service to
celebrate June Miller's life with
her family over a hot drink and
cake.*

Monday 24th 10am – 12pm Coffee Morning

Tuesday 25th 10am – 12pm Coffee Morning

Wed 26th 10am – 12pm Coffee Morning

Thursday 27th 11am Holy Communion Service
Rev Duncan Jennings

Friday 28th 10am – 2pm Hot Drinks &
WELCOME Welcoming Space with food
available (grant-funded).

Saturday 29th 10am – 12pm Coffee Morning

Sunday 30th 10:30am – Community Café
Informal Worship
Rev Tina Hodgett will talk about
working in Pioneering Ministry



Monday 31st **Church is closed for the bank
holiday** so there will be
no Coffee Morning
We hope you enjoy your day.
We open as usual from Tuesday.



Looking ahead

Tuesday 15th September 3:30 – 5:30pm

Harvest Pop Up including crafts and a chance to
create your Harvest Competition entry – create a
root vegetable character using potato, carrot, swede,
sweet potato etc.

Sunday 27th September 10:30am

Harvest Festival Service followed by a Bring & Share
lunch – we will be collecting non-perishable food for
Bristol North West Foodbank, so please bring these
along with you.



Mission Giving 2026 – please indicate on
our noticeboard which charities you would
like to support in 2026 - 1 local,
1 national and 1 international charity.

If there are many suggestions, we will select from the
proposals.

August Bank Holiday Sale 31st August

10am – 1:30pm Bristol North West Foodbank at
St Andrew's Church BS11 9EN
Lots of new items available.

ALFA Christian Community: at Fulligrove House,
Woodwell Road, BS11 9UG.

Drop ins on Wednesdays August 2:30 – 4:30pm.

Employability Event - 9th September

**10:30am – 12:00pm at Shirehampton Health Centre
(Women only event)** organised by the Health Centre,
Smart Works Charity and DWP Johcentre Plus. This is
an event to support women 18+ who are looking to
(re)-join the workforce and will provide support with your
CV and advice on interview attire, confidence and
accessibility at work. Please share with anyone you
think will be interested.

For your prayers: Maureen M, Muriel V, Peter L, Ian H, Genevieve, Dot,
Owen T, Paul, Jean E, Pam, Marilyn, Ron B, Jason, Teresa, Mike T.

From our Parish Prayer list for August

Lower High Street, High Street, The Green, Park Hill, The Coop,
High Street shops, and Lloyds Bank, Snapdragons Pre-School and Nursery



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Songs

Here I am to worship
In Christ alone
Way maker

Post Communion Prayer

Lord, we have broken your bread and received your life.
By the power of your Spirit keep us always in your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Matthew 16: 13 – 20 *(Easy to Read Version)*

¹³ Jesus went to the area of Caesarea Philippi. He said to his followers, “Who do people say I am?”

¹⁴ They answered, “Some people say you are John the Baptizer. Others say you are Elijah. And some say you are Jeremiah or one of the prophets.”

¹⁵ Then Jesus said to his followers, “And who do you say I am?”

¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

¹⁷ Jesus answered, “You are blessed, Simon son of Jonah.

No one taught you that. My Father in heaven showed you who I am.

¹⁸ So I tell you, you are Peter. And I will build my church on this rock.

The power of death will not be able to defeat my church.

¹⁹ I will give you the keys to God’s kingdom. When you speak judgment here on earth, that judgment will be God’s judgment. When you promise forgiveness here on earth, that forgiveness will be God’s forgiveness.”

²⁰ Then Jesus warned his followers not to tell anyone he was the Messiah.