FULWOOD METHODIST CHURCH

He answered, 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind', and love your neighbour as yourself'. Luke 10 verse 27.



SUNDAY 21ST APRIL 2024

Welcome to Fulwood Methodist Church. We extend a very warm welcome to all who worship with us and invite you to join us for tea or coffee after the service. If you are new, we would love to get to know you better. Please speak to the Minister or to one of the Stewards.

10.30am. Morning Worship led by Mrs Catherine Kampta. On <u>ZOOM</u> Passcode: email <u>Jane Wild</u>

The flowers this week have been given by John & Linda Butterworth in celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary which was on Monday 15th April.

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, what amazing love you showed to me, that Jesus paid the full price for my sins on Calvary. Help me to love You with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength, and give me a heart of love to my neighbours and those in my life. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 23rd April.

10am - 12 Noon. Open for coffee and 'New to You' Stall.10.00am. AM Club. Joe Hamilton "A Misspent Youth".2.00pm. Tuesday at Two. Age UK, "Scams".

Wednesday 24th April.

8.00am District Prayers led by Rev Phil Gough
On ZOOM Passcode 234567
10.00am - 12.30pm (Welcome Wednesday) Open for

10.00am - 12.30pm. 'Welcome Wednesday' Open for drinks, soup, bacon butties, scones and 'New to You Stall'. All welcome.

10.30am. Holy Communion with Revd. Jane Wild.

7.00pm. Community Choir. All welcome.

7.30pm - 9.00pm. Prayer Course on Wednesdays (Started 17th April for 8 weeks) at Kingsfold Methodist Church.

Video clips prompting small group discussion, reflection and time for prayer. *All welcome. For more information, please contact <u>Sonia</u>.*

Thursday 25th April.

2.00pm – 4.00pm. Knitting Group.

Friday 26th April.

9.30am – 11.30am. Toddlers Group.

6.30pm - 8.00pm. Escape.

8.00pm – 9.00pm. Youth Club.

Sunday 28th April.

10.30am. Morning Worship led by Revd. Paul Davis. Also On ZOOM

FUTURE DATES

Saturday 11th May. 10.00am – 12 noon. Plant Sale of Summer bedding plants. Refreshments and a cake stall too this time. Advance order forms are available at Church and please return orders to labelled box on the Craft Table by 1st May. Tell your family, friends & neighbours please! *This will go ahead and we will be remembering Barbara so let's make it a bumper one!*

Friday 17th, Saturday 18th & Sunday 19th May.

Pentecost, Prayer and Praise Weekend at Ingol, West Preston Methodist Church. See notices for full details.

Saturday 18th May. **9.30am – 3.30pm**. Lancashire Methodist District 'Encourage' Retreat Day at Shekinah Christian Centre, near Burnley. £20 per person (payable on the day, cash payments preferred), includes refreshments and a cooked lunch. Guest speaker - Revd. Leslie Newton, Chair of the Yorkshire North and East District, sharing reflections on his recent book, 'Revive us again'. Limited places. Contact District Office on 372160. Details on Circuit Events page <u>HERE</u>

Pentecost Sunday 19th May. 5.00pm – 6.00pm. Calling all young Christians to join with thousands of young people from every corner of the nation to unite in a single purpose, to pray the prayer that Jesus taught us, "The Lord's prayer". See notice in church for further details.

Monday 20th May. 6.30pm. Please join us at the Black Bull pub for food or just a drink to share in fellowship and topical conversation led by Jane. If you would like to know more, please contact Wendy Bennett.

Book Club.

- Saturday 25th May at 10.30am (to coincide with the Farmers' Market) open meeting to discuss future book club arrangements and the 2024/25 programme.
- Tuesday 18th June at 7.00pm the book of Genesis with the Rev Jane Wild

3Generate The Methodist Youth Conference

4th - 6th October: Full conference for children aged 8+

5th October: Day event for 4 - 7 year-olds.

Tickets are going on sale, and we would love to take a contingent of children and young people from across our circuit this year. The district will subsidise costs, and we will also be providing transport to and from the venue in Birmingham. For more information, please get in touch with <u>Darren</u>. To book your place, contact either <u>Darren</u> or <u>Sonia</u>.

OTHER NOTICES

Finances. We have completed our half year accounts to 28^{th} February 2024. As expected, we are experiencing another financial challenge - with costs exceeding income by around £14,500 over the period. Increased costs of £10,000 are due mainly to the increased Circuit Assessment (up £3,000), increased utility costs (up £4,900) and increased costs of providing Church activities (up £1,700). Meanwhile, income has fallen by £4,500, due to less offering (down £1,600), fewer donations (down £1,600) and less income from Church activities (down £1,000). As we enter the new tax year, please can you review your level of giving. Also, please can you register for Gift Aid if you are a tax payer and have not yet done so. Forms are available in Willow Grove.

Prayer Flash. Each Church in the Circuit is being asked to share something to be thankful for and also a request, so that the whole circuit can be praying for our individual Churches. Fulwood have been nominated to send such Prayer requests during the month of June, along with Christchurch Longridge – these will need to be

forwarded at least two weeks in advance, so please can you have a think, and send your ideas by **Sunday 5th May** to <u>Sue Whiteford.</u>

April Prayer Flash:

Bamber Bridge is thankful for its school, its Lighthouse group for older primary school children and our Wellness café. We ask you to pray that Lego church will be a fruitful venture.

Central Methodist would like to give thanks for the life and witness of Davina Hinchliffe. Davina has been a member of our church family since arriving at the university. She has been an essential part of the local community, including being part of the Macular Society and supporting other people to combat fear and isolation. Davina was a steward at Central and relished welcoming, greeting both visitors and members with the biggest smile. She was an active part of worship and joined in the music enthusiastically. Davina will be greatly remembered and we would appreciate your prayers at this sad time.

District Equip. This a series of hourly meetings each month on Zoom for anyone wanting to hear the latest update on the progress towards creating the North West England District. Further details and Zoom information <u>HERE</u>.

Salvation Army. Thank you for your continued support to the Community Food Bank in Preston. Items can be left in the yellow box in the hall.

Church Transport. If you wish to use the minibus on Sunday mornings, please contact Eric Waterhouse 863743. The driver this week is Andrew Cuckson and next week, 28th April will be John Ferris.

Prayer Chain. We believe that God hears and answers prayer, so we take seriously His invitation to lay before Him our concerns. Because we believe prayer makes a difference, several people in this Church have committed themselves to pray for you or your loved ones at times of crisis or worry – this is our Prayer Chain. All prayers, names and situations are held in confidence. If you would like us to pray for you, please contact *Sue Whiteford* or 864478.

Notices. Please send anything you need included in the notices to <u>Beryl Hoyle</u> **AND** <u>Sue Whiteford</u> by Wednesday morning.

Room Bookings. If you wish to book a room at Church, or you want to know which rooms are available on a certain date, please contact our Church Administrator, Sharon Beck, by email *administrator@fulwoodmethodist.org.uk*. This avoids any double booking of rooms and helps with invoicing and booking information which Sharon has to send out to all those who use our building.

UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

The Uniformed Organisations meet at Church as shown below. Parents will be notified when each organisation has a break during a school holiday.

Mondays:

4.45pm - 5.45pm. Squirrels. **5.45pm - 7.00pm.** Beavers. **7.00pm - 8.15pm.** Cubs.

Tuesdays: 7.00pm – 9.00pm. Scouts. Thursdays: 6.00pm – 7.00pm. Rainbows. 6.15pm - 7.30pm. Brownies. 7.30pm - 9.00pm. Guides. 8.00pm - 9.30pm. Rangers (fortnightly)

'A MONTH OF SUNDAYS' FOR APRIL 2024 <u>HERE</u> 'A MONTH OF SUNDAYS' FOR MAY 2024 <u>HERE</u> CIRCUIT PREACHING PLAN (Q3) - May 2024<u>HERE</u>

ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION

When joining the services via Zoom please turn OFF your camera and microphone. Click the BLUE links below for access. MORNING SERVICE Every Sunday 10.30am <u>On ZOOM Passcode: email Jane Wild</u>

LANCASHIRE DISTRICT ZOOM SERVICE Every Sunday 7.00pm On ZOOM PASSCODE: <u>CLICK HERE</u>

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