

FULWOOD METHODIST CHURCH



"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful." Hebrews 10 verse 23.

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.

ADVENT SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2025

10.30am. Morning Worship led by Mr Andrew Bennett. Also on **ZOOM** (Crèche facilities are open at the back of Church)

4.00pm - 6.00pm. Advent Celebration.

There will be activities, food, a story trail, awe and mystery, and carols as we retell the wonderful story.

PRAYER

My Heavenly Father, I trust in your faithfulness and believe that you will fulfil the promises you have made to me. Help me to remain steadfast in my faith and to never lose hope, knowing that you are always with me. Thank you for your unwavering love and grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday 2nd December.

10.00am to 12noon. Open for coffee and 'New to You' Stall.

12.30pm. A joint Christmas meal for the "AM Club" and "Friends at Fulwood", meeting at The Ancient Oak, Cottam at 12.30pm to eat for 1.00pm.

Wednesday 3rd December.

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

10.30am. Holy Communion led by Revd. Jane Wild.

7.00pm. Community Choir. Everyone welcome.

Thursday 4th December.

2.00pm to 4.00pm. Knitting Group. Everyone welcome.

Friday 5th December.

9.30am - 11.30am. Toddlers Club.

6.30pm – 8.00pm. Escape.

Sunday 7th December. Toy Service and Holy Communion led by Revd. Jane Wild. Any gifts of toys will be donated to Ribbleton Avenue Primary School, any toiletries are being donated to the Women's Refuge in Preston. All donations will be greatly appreciated! **Also on ZOOM**

FUTURE DATES

Tuesday 9th December. 7.00pm. The Book Club in the Cedar Room, will be meeting for a bit of festive fun. As on previous occasions we will hope to see the gifts provided for each other by a secret representative of Santa! This will put us in a good mood for the crazy Christmas Quiz which is becoming a new tradition. We hope also that our usual supply of biscuits will have been augmented by additional seasonal treats, enough for everyone and more - so do join us.

Friday 12th December. 10.15am. Toddlers Club Christmas party – please note that children must be pre-booked. thank you.

Friday 19th December. 9.30am – 11.30am. Coffee morning style Toddlers Club. Toddlers will recommence on Friday 9th January 2026.

11th **January 2026: Taizé**. **4.00pm.** Quiet Worship. We are offering calm and meditative service at Church. All are welcome.

Come to our Human Jukebox on 28th February 2026! 7.00pm.

You can ask our band to play your favourite worship songs live. Tickets, priced at £5 per person, £3 for Under 16s, £15 for a family, are now available through *Mike Cushing*, These will be sent to you by email, with payment being made when you arrive for the event. Refreshments, including a "Mocktail Bar" will be available. It promises to be a great night of live music! Singalong and dancing are not only very welcome, but positively encouraged. We hope to see you there for our fundraising event!

OTHER NOTICES

We need Volunteers to act as Welcomers at the following Christmastime Services:

Sunday 21st December. Carol Service at 5.30pm

Wednesday 24th December. Christingle Service at 3.30pm &

Midnight Communion at 11.15pm

Thursday 25th December. Christmas Day Service at 10.00am Names please to Roy Smith (tel. 01772 716772 or **email Roy**

Donation of Children's Books. The Book Club can arrange for children's books to be collected and made available for use in Church or donated to Ribbleton Avenue Methodist Junior School. Books for any age - babes to young adults. If you or your friends have used books in reasonable condition ready to be passed on, please give them to Janet or Ken Wales or leave with the Nearly New shop. Thank you for the donations received so far which are being used both within the school and to enable children to read at leisure at home.

Church Transport. If you wish to use the minibus on a Sunday morning, please contact Eric Waterhouse 863743. The driver this week is John Ferris and next week, 7th December, it will be Emma Byers.

The Salvation Army Food Bank are always grateful for any donations of dried/tinned foods or toiletries, and these can be left in the yellow box in the Hall.

Did you know that Fulwood Methodist Church has a 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 01772 864478.

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 Angela Dunnet by email, administrator@fulwoodmethodist.org.uk.

Notices. Please send anything you need included in the notices to <u>Sue Whiteford</u> by Wednesday lunchtime.

EVENTS AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Sunday 7th December. 6.30pm. "Stargazers" by Roger Jones, will form the main part of the evening service at Hope (PR4 4AA). There will be refreshments after the service. Everyone welcome.

Second Monday of every month. 7.00pm – 8.30pm.

"Out of the Embers" Bereavement Support Space at The Black Bull, Garstang Road.

First Thursday of each month. 1.00pm – 2.30pm AND 7.00pm – 8.30pm. Bereavement Café at Trinity Methodist Church, Gregson Lane, PR5 OED.

GOODBYE DARREN!

For the past 8 years, Darren Arnold has served the circuit in various roles working with children, youth and families. He is moving away from Preston to be closer to family, and taking up a new Circuit, Children's Family & Youth Worker role in the Telford Methodist Circuit. We want to extend our heartfelt thanks for everything he's done, and will keep him and his wife, Cheryl, in our prayers as they embark on this new adventure.

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.pm - 7.00pm.** Beavers.

7.00pm - 8.15pm. Cubs. **6.15pm - 7.30pm.** Brownies.

Tuesdays:

7.15pm – 9.15pm. Scouts.

Thursdays:

6.00pm – 7.00pm. Rainbows.

7.30pm - 9.00pm. Guides.

8.00pm - 9.30pm. Rangers

ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION

When joining service via zoom please turn OFF your camera and microphone. If you are phoning in, put a # at the end of the meeting ID and passcode

10.30am. Sunday Service.

us02web.zoom.us/j/8626480567

Meeting ID: 862 648 0567

Passcode 0987

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