

# Transforming the World by meeting the needs of our community as God's people

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Welcome to our Church, it is lovely to have you with us.

If you are new to the church, please say hello, either to the welcome team in the foyer, or to anyone you see. If you would rather sit quietly, that's fine too.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month, Junior Church goes to Glazebury for Breakfast Worship at 9am.

Everyone is warmly welcomed to join us after the morning service, for refreshments, conversation & fellowship in the hall, or in the foyer after the evening service, follow the crowd.

Sun	20-Jan	9.45am Morning Worship – Rev Andrew Bradley
		4pm Afternoon Tea @ Glazebury
		6.30pm Evening Service – Churches Together @ Glazebury (NB No service @ Culcheth)
Mon	21-Jan	9.30am-10 Open Prayer time
		10am-12.30 Open Doors in the Foyer
Tue	22-Jan	Tuesday Tots
Wed	23-Jan	8-9.30pm Choir
Thu	24-Jan	2pm Meeting Point – Culcheth in the Early Press – Marlene Nolan
		7-9pm Hearts & Hands
Fri	25-Jan	
Sat	26-Jan	10am-12noon Open Doors
Sun	27-Jan	9.45am Morning Worship – Rev Alan Litton
		6.30pm Evening Service – Rev Vivienne Smith
		Flowers – Liz Williams

**Thanks to** Celia Crow for the flowers, the preacher, worship leaders, readers, musicians, stewards, AV support and the refreshment providers.

**John 2 1-11** Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him

### **Communication:**

Weekly Notice Sheet: To Amy by Wed 6pm for inclusion this week, Tel 766550, culchethmethodist@gmail.com Website: www.leighandhindley.org.uk Facebook: LeighAndHindleyMethodist contact Rev'd Bradley with content Room Bookings: Linda Bloomfield, lindajbloomfield@yahoo.co.uk 01925 765875 Magazine entries to cmcnews57@gmail.com.

Prayer Circle requests contact Janette Hutchinson:766819/07729 313466 or Jane Bushby:509558/07949 390862

Notices 20<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019

# **Upcoming Events & Notices**

#### **Foodbank**

Thanks for your continued support. It is especially good to receive the Christmas Extras to help relieve some of the suffering and shortages for families in need. Thank you all. Ray & Irene

### Church Council - 5th Feb

The next church council is on Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Feb. Agenda & Reports will be available this week. If your groups have anything to report, please let Amy or David O know.

We need to appoint a Church Secretary at this meeting – to prep the report, take the minutes and carry out a number of admin tasks. We could split the role. Again, please speak to Amy, David O or Linda if you could take this on.

#### Lenten Retreat - Into the Wilderness

Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar 9.30 – 3.30, led by Donna Worthington. A Lenten retreat with prayer, quietness, presentation, imagery and space to listen. Soup & roll provided. To book your place, contact Delia Caswell 01942 671938 before 20<sup>th</sup> Feb. Places Limited.

# **Action for Children - League of Light Boxes**

Many members of our Church and several others in the local community have League of Light Boxes in which they collect loose change for Action for Children which are opened annually after Christmas. 36 boxes were opened, and I am pleased to report that £760 was sent. Also, the collection at the Toy Service was £107. Very many thanks to everyone who contributed to this worthy cause. If you would like to support Action for Children in this way, ask, and I'll give you a box. Margaret Johnson

# **Three Towns Concert and 2018 Social Events**

On 1st December 2018, our church hosted the annual Three Towns concert. A capacity audience of church members and the village community enjoyed a selection of songs from the Shows, Broadway, Popular and Classical. Many thanks to those who donated cakes for refreshments, we raised £561 for Church Funds. The events organised throughout 2018 altogether raised £1,940 for Church Funds. As

well as fellowship for church members and outreach to our community. Chris Bridge

# **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Members of the Hearts and Hands group and associated 'crafters' have completed many projects including: hand puppets for Warrington Hospital children's ward, blankets for the palliative care unit at Manchester Hospital, hats for Mission to Seafarers, items for the Christmas shoeboxes, plus the knitted Bible stories and poppies displays. We have just embarked on a new project which will involve creating prayer shawls, wraps, blankets, scarves or other appropriate items to be given to those who need comfort or to commemorate special occasions. We would welcome your contributions to this project in many ways: creating the items, providing wool, praying blessings over the project and items created, packaging the items or making cards to accompany them (we expect other avenues to develop too). For info, please contact Caroline Fillery, Janette Hutchinson or Viv Briney. "Shawls...made for centuries, universal and embracing, symbolic of an inclusive, unconditional loving God. They wrap, enfold, comfort, give solace, mother, hug, shelter and beautify. Janet Bristow:www.shawlministry.com

#### **Explore**

We are looking for people who would be able to help out with Explore.

This could be to get involved in the leading of sessions or particular activities or just to come along and help with setting-up and the preparation of refreshments. We meet once a fortnight on a Sunday evening, so if we are able to get a team of people together on a rota you may only need to help out once a month or less. If you might be interested and would like a chat E-Mail thomasjmartin@live.co.uk or phone 01942 321008.

#### Housekeeping

Thanks to the Property team for the overseeing of the leaking radiator and heating system also problems with the outside area, All of which have been resolved. Maintenance in the church is very important and much appreciated.