



# Culcheth Methodist Church

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	10-Feb	9.45am Morning Worship – Rev Viv Smith (with Holy Communion) 6.30pm Evening Service – Own Arrangement (Caroline Fillery) 7.30pm Explore
on	11-Feb	9.30am-10 Open Prayer time 10am-12.30 Open Doors in the Foyer
Tue	12-Feb	10.40am Peter Wardle's Funeral – Macclesfield Crematorium, see over Tuesday Tots 7pm Fresh Expressions @ Kingsleigh (see poster in the foyer)
Wed	13-Feb	8-9.30pm Choir
Thu	14-Feb	2pm Home Group @ the Bushby's 7-9pm Hearts & Hands
Fri	15-Feb	
Sat	16-Feb	10am-12noon Open Doors
Sun	17-Feb	9.45am Morning Worship – Mr Stan Worgan 6.30pm Evening Service – Rev Bob Davies Flowers – Trudy MacDonald

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

### **Luke 5:1-11**

Then Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will fish for people."

### **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

## Upcoming Events & Notices

### Peter Wardle's Funeral

The funeral is at 10.40am on Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Feb at Macclesfield Crematorium, Prestbury Rd, SK103BU. Then to the Methodist Church on Westminster Rd, SK10 1BX for refreshments. A minibus will leave Culcheth Methodist at 9am, returning from the church in Macclesfield by mid-afternoon. The cost will be £12 if all seats are filled. Please speak to David O and add your name to the list on the noticeboard if you would like a seat.

### Meeting Point Visit to The Organ Museum.

If you would like to be included in this visit on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February, to hear the new organ which has been installed, please speak to Joyce Davies as there are a couple of seats available on the coach.

### 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.

### Lent Course

A 7 week "Spiritual Practices" course will be held during Lent. There are two options – Wednesday or Saturday mornings, both at 10.15am led by David O (Wed) and Alex Laing (Sat). The material has been developed by Inspire & The Methodist Church and the course is open to anyone. Do join us!

### Drama for Easter – "The Vigil"

Churches Together are planning a production of "The Vigil" which explores the mystery of the disappearance of Jesus' body from the tomb through the trial of the gardener. Several people from this church, Glazebury and Newchurch have already expressed interest. The parts will be read so you don't need to learn lines. It will be performed in Newchurch Parish Hall on the afternoon of Easter Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> April. Speak to David O if you are interested in taking part.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Hearts & Hands group have embarked on a new project which will involve creating prayer shawls, wraps, blankets & scarves 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.

### Rev Andrew's Sabbatical

Andrew will be taking his Sabbatical from 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb to 22<sup>nd</sup> May. During this time, Rev Viv Smith will have oversight of our church. Pastoral matters will be looked after by Viv Briney, Janette Hutchinson and Jane Bushby. Caroline Fillery is part of Andrew's support team. See separate letter for more information.

### Church Council Meeting

We had a very good church council meeting last week. Watch out for the finished version of the Well Project Q&A over the next week, and for a survey about the foyer to help us furnish it most appropriately.

There is also an exciting proposal to create a community garden – speak to Janette & Ashley Hutchinson, or see the flyer for more info, to ask questions and get involved.

### Magazine Articles

Nina and I are very pleased that the new bimonthly mag is being well received.

One drawback to issuing it every two months is, that many items of interest are not getting to us in time! The last edition missed out on mentioning two or three events of interest because of this. The next edition will be called 'March – April' so we need everyone to think ahead to what is happening in March, April and May. Our deadline will be Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb So, I make a plea, to all you 'event planners and organisers' to send us details in good time. Not forgetting a big Thank You to those responsible for already sending me something about events in May and July! Thanks, Chris Pathmarajah