

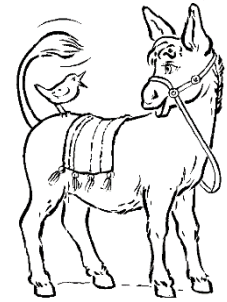


Culcheth Methodist Church

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

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Reg Charity No. 1129901

Minister: Rev Andrew Bradley is on Sabbatical until 22nd May
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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 3rd 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	14-Apr	9.45am Morning Worship – Rev Vivienne Smith with Holy Communion 6.30pm Evening Service – Rev Robert Davies (Failure)
Mon	15-Apr	9.30am-10 Open Prayer time 10am Open Doors in the Foyer
Tue	16-Apr	No Tuesday Tots
Wed	17-Apr	10.15am Spiritual Practices Lent Course (last one) 7pm Easter Celebration Service with Choir
Thu	18-Apr	11am Holcroft Grange service 7-9pm Hearts & Hands 7pm Agape service – Glazebury Methodist Church
Fri	19-Apr	10.30am Good Friday Service, followed by walk of witness & vigil. Stations of the cross @ Parish Hall
Sat	20-Apr	10am-12noon Open Doors 10.15am Spiritual Practices Lent Course (last one) "The Vigil" performance at Parish Hall (Churches together)
Sun	21-Apr Easter	9am Easter Breakfast – bring an egg cup, see over 9.45am Morning Worship – Alex Laing 6.30pm Evening Service – Rev Vivienne Smith with Holy Communion Flowers – Chris Bull

Thanks to Tricia Harrison for the flowers, the preacher, worship leaders, readers, musicians, stewards, AV support and the refreshment providers.

Luke 19 28-40

"I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

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

Services for Holy Week

All are invited to all of the services and activities

Wed 17th Apr Easter Celebration 7pm service with the choir, including hymns, music, readings prayer and poems for Easter.

Maunder Thu 18th Agape service 7pm (Glazeb'ry)

Good Friday 19th 10.30am Churches Together at Hob Hey lane, followed by Walk of Witness carrying the cross down Common Lane to Sainsbury's and a short act of worship.

Easter Vigil outside Sainsbury's Good Friday 12noon to approx. 5pm, and Sat 20th 9am-5pm

Easter Sunday Morning – eggs will be served for breakfast from 9am before morning worship.

Foodbank

Some ideas for gifts: Staples – pasta & pasta sauces, UHT milk, Puddings – tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding & tinned custard. As it is almost Easter, some treats would be very welcome. Thank you for your regular giving. Irene.

ABC Spring Session

I would like to thank ABC staff and children for welcoming me in again to share in learning about the 'Joys of Spring' and the 'Wonders of God's Creation'. Despite being a very young group, they listened attentively and joined in all the activities enthusiastically. They were keen to display their creative artwork in the Church and we hope you have enjoyed seeing their butterflies fluttering above the Prayer Corner! Janette

Church Council – Tue 2nd April

At the council meeting on Tuesday, it was agreed to begin planning for the community garden. We also heard about the progress on the AV system – we are getting closer to making the final selection of system. We agreed the architect's proposal for folding doors and sliding glass doors in the Well Project and agreed that we would make some further enquiries about options for repairing the floor. We continue to look for a Council Secretary and will need a new Pastoral Secretary from September. If you feel able to serve, please speak to Amy or David O.

Church Community Garden

The Church Council last week gave approval for us to make a start on plans for developing a garden and seating area in front of the Church. We would like to get together a group of people who would be interested in taking this forward with us. As well as design suggestions, practical help and funding ideas, prayer will be an essential ingredient in this venture. If you would like to be involved in any way at all, please speak to us, or indicate your interest on the sheet on the noticeboard. We will then set a date for a meeting shortly after Easter. Thank you for your support, Ashley and Janette.

Foyer Survey – furnishing decisions

To inform decisions about furnishing etc, we would like to hear your views. There are paper copies of a survey in the foyer, or you can complete it online at <https://ljmu.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/church-entrance-market-research-survey-marchvs3> Please share widely, it should only take a couple of minutes to complete.

Church Weekend with Glazebury

Abbots Hall, Grange over sands Fri 14th to Sun 16th June. It is lovely to be with our friends from Glazebury and, a relaxing weekend with plenty of fantastic food and excellent company. If you are interested, please contact Delia on 01942 671938 or Daphne 01925 765561 or David O

Culcheth Methodist Walking Group

Sat 4th May - Dobcross, Diggle and Uppermill. See notice board for details.

Christian Aid Week – 12th to 18th May

Christian Aid Week this year is 12th to 18th May. Unfortunately, too few people are able to collect this year to make a door-to-door collection viable. A big thank you to all who have collected in the past.

Envelopes will be available at the Church between 12th and 19th May for anyone who would like to contribute. You can also donate on-line at www.christianaid.org.uk. This year's appeal is for Sierra Leone, a country close to our hearts. Christian Aid wish to build new health centres and provide health training with a view to reducing the infant mortality rate.