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.

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.

26-Jan	9.45am Morning Worship – Rev Jeff Walker
	6.30pm Evening Service – Mrs Joyce Daniels
27-Jan	9.30am-10 Open Prayer time
	10am Open Doors in the Welcome Space
28-Jan	10am Tuesday Tots
	7pm New Men's group at the Packhorse - see over
29-Jan	8pm Choir
30-Jan	2pm Meeting Point - Quiz
	7-9pm Hearts and Hands
31-Jan	10-12 am Coffee & more
1-Feb	10-12am Open Doors
2-Feb	9.45am Morning Worship – Ms Audrey Davies
	6.30pm Evening Service – Rev Vivienne Smith
	Flowers Wynn Worthington
	27-Jan 28-Jan 29-Jan 30-Jan 31-Jan 1-Feb

Thanks to Liz Williams for the flowers, the preacher, worship leaders, readers, musicians, stewards, AV support and the refreshment providers. (Thanks also to Celia Crow for last week's flowers)

Matthew 4 12-23

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to 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 Viv Smith 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

Geoff Hill

Geoff Hill sadly passed away on Tuesday 21st January. He was very involved in the local community, and often attended church events. We hold Margaret's family in our prayers and trust she feels encircled in God's care

His funeral will be at 11.30am on Wed $5^{\rm th}$ February.

Open Day & Dedication of The Welcome Space

We had a lovely day at our Open Day last Saturday, with lots of conversation, playing and crafting. We created a new sign that you can see in the space, and started an enormous 3000 piece jigsaw – it is at the back of the church, do help us finish it! Thank you to the Ukulele band for the entertainment!

On Sunday during the covenant service, Rev Viv dedicated the Welcome Space, and the "God is..." Cross, and prayed that it will be a blessing to our church and our community.

Church Council & Finances

Notes from the Council meeting on 7th Jan are available. The next meeting will be on Tue 3rd March.

The council have been considering our very poor financial position, and as a result have sent a letter to all members. If you did not receive one, or if you have any questions please speak to a steward or council member. We urgently need to find a way to improve our situation.

Organ

You will be pleased to hear that the digital section of the organ has been repaired. The specialist needed to repair the circuit that had been damaged. Thanks to David O for organising this.

Consultation on Marriage & Relationships

As you may know, the Methodist Church are consulting about marriage & relationships. A circuit consultation event will be held on Mon 17th Feb at 7pm at Bedford. All welcome.

"Start" Course Glazebury

From Tuesday, 14 January at 7.30-8.30pm a, 6 week Christian basics course entitled "Start". The course will run for one evening a week for 6 weeks, at Glazebury Methodist Church. "Start" is designed for: those who are searching for God and are interested in starting a new spiritual life; those who perhaps had a faith some years ago, lost it and are now coming back to it; those who have discovered God and want to go deeper in their faith.

Lent Groups

Rev Viv Smith will be leading a lent group this year. It will meet on Monday evenings in Culcheth and/or Kingsleigh/Bedford on Wednesday mornings. More details to follow.

Meeting Point

The Meeting Point programme up to Easter is on the Notice Board in the Welcome Space.

Alex Laing – Candidating for Ministry

Alex is very thankful for all your support during her candidating process. She goes before the District Committee on 25th January and asks for your prayers for this day.

New Men's Group

An invitation for all men - monthly at The Packhorse - Food and drink, punctuated by meaningful discussion. Contact David Slater 07870 498284 or Dave Briney 07783 355006 for more info and to arrange food. Next Meeting – Tue 28th January 7pm