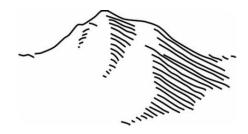


Transforming the World by meeting the needs of our community as God's people

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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.

Sun	23-Feb	9.45am Morning Worship & Gift Day with Holy Communion – Rev Viv Smith
		Traidcraft stall after the service
		6.30pm Evening Service – Rev Len Pereira
Mon	24-Feb	9.30am-10 Open Prayer time
		10am Open Doors in the Welcome Space
Tue	25-Feb	10am Tuesday Tots
		1.15-3pm Pancakes in The Welcome Space
Wed	26-Feb	8pm Choir
Thu	27-Feb	2pm Meeting Point – Four Favourite Scenes – Peter Davies
		7-9pm Hearts and Hands
Fri	28-Feb	10-12 am Coffee & more
		11.30-12.30 Frugal lunch @ Newchurch Parish Hall
Sat	29-Feb	10-12am Open Doors
Sun	1-Mar	9.45am Morning Worship – Alan Eaves
		6.30pm Evening Service – Rev Viv Smith
		7.30pm WWW @ Tricia's
		Flowers Joyce McComb

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

2 Peter 1:16-21

For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

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

Church Finances & Gift Day 23rd Feb

On Sunday 23th Feb we will hold a gift day, when any donations already given or given on that day will be dedicated. After the service, there will be an opportunity to discuss the situation with the Stewards and/or speak to Rev Viv individually.

Following the letter sent to all members, you should all be aware of the very poor state of our finances. If you have not had a letter, please see a Steward.

The situation is urgent, and the Church Council hope that you will be able to respond as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already done so. If you are able to make a one-off donation or increase your giving, please do so either via the Sunday collection, by passing to a Steward or by bank transfer. If you would like to discuss it further, please speak to any member of the church council.

Pop in for a pancake, drink and chat

In The Welcome Space on Shrove Tuesday, 25th February, between 1.15 – 3pm. Choose your own toppings for ready-made pancakes and have your favourite cuppa with friends. Looking forward to seeing you there. Janette Hutchinson 766819

Church Council Tues 3rd March

The next Church Council meeting is on Tuesday 3rd March at 7.15. All are welcome to attend. If you would like the papers, please speak to Linda or a Steward.

Consultation on Marriage & Relationships

The document "God in Love Unites Us" outlines the five resolutions to be decided on at the Methodist Conference in June/July. It is available in church and on the Methodist website.

A circuit consultation event was held on Mon 17th Feb at 7pm at Bedford. If you were unable to attend, a further district event will be on Thu 12th Mar @ Walkden.

Frugal Lunches

Frugal lunches will be held each Friday in Lent in Newchurch Parish hall from 28th Feb 11.30-12.30.

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.

Action for Children League of Light Boxes

Many members of our Church and others in the local community have League of Light Boxes in which they collect loose change for Action for Children. These are opened annually around Christmas. Following the opening of 36 boxes I am pleased to report that the total collected and sent to Action for Children this year was a record amount of £900.00. Very many thanks to everyone who contributed to his worthy cause. If you would like a box to support Action for Children in this way, let me know. Margaret Johnson.

Womens World Day of Prayer

There will be a prayer meeting on Friday 6th March at Newchurch to mark the Women's World Day of Prayer. All Welcome.

Working Day – Sat 7th March

There is a plan to hold a working to carry out some maintenance tasks. More details to follow, but if you can assist, it would be much appreciated (see Roddy or Phil Harrison)

Food Bank

To everyone at CMC, Thank You so much for all of your generous and consistent donations, it really helps many people who are in need of support. From my heart and on behalf of all the other volunteers at Leigh Foodbank, a very big THANK YOU. Cliff and all the helpers.

Note from Linda and Mike

Thank you all so much for your love, prayers, messages and cards following Mike's operation. We have felt uplifted by your care and Mike is making a really good recovery.. He has graduated from brewing up to light cooking (and supervising!) the Sunday roast. Xx

Advance Notice – Quiz 25th April

There will be a quiz at Newchurch parish hall to raise money to support Hannah on Sat 25th April. Look out for the poster in the foyer.