



Culcheth **Methodist** Church

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

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During the Coronavirus situation, we are not meeting together physically, either for Worship or for any other church groups.

We are sharing connection via phone calls, an email group, a facebook group (Culcheth Methodist Church), and the weekly notice sheet. The notice sheet will be on display on the church door.

If you would like to join the email group, please email amyedriver@gmail.com

Regular podcasts from Rev Viv can be found here:

<https://soundcloud.com/user-476066366>

SHARING SUNDAY WORSHIP

We are sharing our Sunday Service over the telephone. Most weeks we have over 180 callers from across the Leigh & Hindley and Liverpool North Circuits.

If you would like to listen in, at 10.30am on Sunday:

Dial **020 3478 5289** on your telephone,

When it asks for the access code, enter **145 404 825#**.

(this number will be the same each week)

When it asks for your ID, press #

We can then join together in worship

The call will be charged at the standard UK phone rate.

Any questions, call 01925 766550.



Matthew 9:36-10:8 Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Pray Together – members of the church will be at prayer from 6.30-7pm every day, and from 9.30-10am on Mondays, do join in wherever you are.

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

NEWS

News

Note that this notice sheet covers two weeks – next sheet will be 9th Aug.

Getting Together Groups

The planning is not quite complete for the "Getting Together Groups". We are working to manage within the maximum of 6 and to take into account everyone's mobility. We continue to work on it and will be in touch asap. In the meantime thank you to everyone who has said they would like to participate (40 people) and also thanks to those who have taken the time to give us feedback on why the initiative is not for them.

Linda, Alex and David O

We might not be able to hug or sit close together but we still can share our awe and love of God!

Les Hill

Les wishes to acknowledge the item appearing in the July/August CMC magazine concerning him. His thoughts are for the many who gave similar service but who sadly were not as fortunate as himself.

Lockdown: Lexicon & Legacy

Rev Bob Davies has compiled a booklet of writing about lockdown, containing contributions from some of our congregation. There is a pre-publication offer. See over for an order form – proceeds to charity.

Church Council Snippets

Church council met on Wed 22nd July via Zoom.

1. Small Group planning is underway and will remain outdoors through the summer.
2. We have an *ambition* to re-open in September, for some of our user groups, the small groups and to stream the dial-in service on a Sunday morning. There will be a safety-first approach and all the appropriate risk assessments will be completed before a decision can be made, with support from Circuit, District and the Connexion. Phil Harrison is leading this work, and a further council meeting on 4th August will work on it. This will "feel" very different to before lockdown, and we will need to follow various guidelines.
3. It was agreed to extend the contract with YFC for our Youth Worker for another year.
4. Our financial situation is extremely difficult. No one should commit to, or spend, any money on behalf of the church without pre-approval from Elspeth. Without the gift day held in February, we would be in the red. The impact of Covid-19 has compounded our already-difficult situation. All possible expenditure has been postponed.
5. We have had a very kind offer to pay for a bench to start off our community garden. This work will begin now, in a very low-cost way, using dedicated donations.

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- *Emmaus (Salford) Homelessness Charity*
- *Gravelhole Methodist Community Shop, Oldham*

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Please send me ___ copy(ies) of
'Lockdown: Lexicon & Legacy'

Name: _____

Address: _____

I enclose a cheque for £_____
payable to Rev.Robert Davies

*This order form should be sent to: Rev Robert Davies,
38 Sands Avenue, Chadderton, Oldham OL9 ONU*