



Culcheth **Methodist** Church

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

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SHARING SUNDAY WORSHIP 10:30am

Sunday 5th September – Rev Katharine Bland (HC) – Steward David Ogilvy

Sunday 12th September – Own Arrangement (Brenda and David O) – Steward Rachel Slater

Sunday 19th September – Philip Kennedy – Steward David Slater

Sunday 26th September – Own Arrangement (Brenda and David O) – Steward Elizabeth Soehren

We are also sharing our Sunday Service over the telephone, or online.

We will have tea & coffee outside after the service, as long as the weather allows and people are available to serve it (see over)

To Join our online/telephone service:

Online: click this link to join the meeting via **Zoom**. [Sunday Service Zoom Link](#)

On the Phone: Dial **0330 088 5830** on your telephone,
When asked for the access code, enter **935 8460 6158#**.

When asked for your ID, press #.

You will be put into a waiting room and we will let you into the service.

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



Flowers:

Thank you to Chris Bull for the flowers on 5th September.
(Pat Warner for 12th Sep)

Mark 7:37

People were overwhelmed with amazement. "He has done everything well," they said. "He even makes the deaf hear and the mute speak."

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 Joyce McComb by Wed 6pm for inclusion this week, Tel 767308,
culchethmethodist@gmail.com

Website: www.leighandhindley.org.uk Facebook: Culcheth Methodist Church and LeighAndHindleyMethodist

Prayer Circle requests contact Janette Hutchinson:766819/07729 313466 or Jane Bushby:509558/07949 390862

Bob Burton's Funeral

Most of you will have heard that Bob Burton sadly passed away on the 26th of August. His funeral will be on Friday 10th September – 1.40pm at Walton Lea Crematorium followed by a service of thanksgiving for his life at Culcheth Methodist Church at 2.30pm.

Open House

Our Superintendent Revd Wilfred has invited everyone to an "Open House" at The Manse, 4 Marshbrook Close on Saturday 25th September, 10am to 1pm.

Congratulations

Congratulations to John and Mary Gregson who, we are informed, celebrate their Golden Wedding this month.

Membership Service and Membership/Methodism Classes

On Sunday October 3rd, the Morning Service will include a Membership Service. Before this, there will be two Membership/Methodism Information Group sessions held in the Welcome Space on Sat 11th Sep 10.30am or Sun 12th Sep 2.30pm (both with the same content).

These classes are open to all – anyone who is interested in either Methodism or Membership, no commitment required!

Zoom Services from September

From September, the Zoom services will be broadcast from the Leigh & Hindley Churches – the dial in congregation will hear the service being held in one of our churches, which will vary week by week. The instructions for joining remain the same, although the pre-service "waffle" will no longer take place – you will hear some music while you wait for the service to start.

Coffee/Tea

If you could help by going onto the Sunday rota for serving the refreshments, please contact John Gregson on 01925 762715. For now, we will only have refreshments when the weather is good enough to have them outdoors.

As per the new Covid rules (see below), small groups meeting at church can now share refreshments. As such, Monday Open Doors at 10am after prayer group on Monday mornings has now restarted. We ask that people try to remain seated as much as possible and keep their distance

Notice Sheet

Joyce McComb has now taken over the Notice Sheet. Please continue to use the Culchethmethodist@gmail.com email account, which will be managed by Joyce. Note that if you wish to contact Amy, it is amyedriver@gmail.com .

Telephone messages for the notice sheet should now be to 767308.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, contact Rev Katharine Bland 01925 763218

Foodbank

Latest requests for the foodbank are for tinned vegetables – peas, carrots, sweetcorn, and also for toothpaste and toothbrushes. All gifts gratefully received. Irene & Ray Healey.

Message from Hannah, Our Youth Worker

Thank you to everyone who came to support the Culcheth youth tent from the 17 - 20th August. It was such a great week full of fun, food, football and many great relationships being built. The same groups of young people came consistently throughout the week (they even waited patiently for us to set up each day), and each time we set up the gazebo, the rain seemed to stop! It was so great to serve the young people in this way, and it was such a joy to see their faces beaming with excitement during the games and activities.

Please pray for me as I start a new academic year at Culcheth High School, for planning for Fresh and Friday night detached.

Love

Hannah

Flowers

The Flower Rota restarted on Sunday 22nd August.

A rota is on the notice board in the church foyer and advance notice will be given in the news sheet.

Options

You can order flowers from:

Poyntons, who will place your order with their shop in Bents. The arrangement will be delivered to

Poyntons in Lodge Drive for collection on Saturday. Poyntons, 68 Lodge Drive, Culcheth, WA3 4 ER, Tel 01925 762127

or from:

Buds and Shakes, who will deliver your order to the church at 11.00 am on Saturday.

Buds 'n' Shakes, Malham Court, Warrington Road, Culcheth WA3 5SJ, Tel 01925 555352

or: You can arrange your own flowers in a vase or as an arrangement to be delivered at 11.00am on

Saturday.

If you would like to be part of the flower team please contact Betty Memmott, 763364

Changes to our Covid Precautions

Following the changes to the Covid regulations, the church council have agreed some small changes to our Covid precautions at church. We now:

Continue to

- Wear masks in our Church building
- Maintain Social Distancing from others not in our household
- Use hand sanitiser as we arrive and leave the building
- Please do not attend if you are suffering from any symptoms, have been in close contact with someone with Covid or have been “pinged” by the Covid app.
- Wipe down common surfaces after use (door handles, light switches etc)
- Keep doors open to improve ventilation
- Retain the one way system on Sunday mornings
- Stewards will direct you to your seat, please don't move around within the church
- Services max 45 mins (3 hymns)
- Retiring collection rather than passing round the bags
- NHS Covid QR code for venue check-in to be displayed

Some changes:

- The space between chairs has been reduced to 1.5m
- The booking system is no longer needed, as we have sufficient capacity to accommodate everyone
- We may now sing! – we will stand and sing hymns, from behind our masks - please keep your mask over your face and nose as you sing to protect your neighbours
- More than one person per service may use the lectern, wipes provided between users
- We will stop cleaning chairs between services, except for the arms of armchairs
- Tea and Coffee – refreshments will be served outside after Sunday services (weather depending)
- Small groups can now be more than six people, if wished. They should continue to maintain distancing and wear masks, but they can serve drinks and individually wrapped snacks, and remove their masks while eating/drinking.