

Forthcoming events, meetings etc at a glance

Friday, 13th May	7.30pm Zoom Fun Quiz
Sunday, 15th May	10.30am Church Anniversary
Thursday, 19th May	10-11.30am Coffee Morning
Friday, 27th May	6pm Indian Feast—meal
Sunday, 5th June	Big Lunch picnic following service
Sunday, 12th June	Annual Church Meeting after service
Thursday, 16th June	10-11.30am Coffee Morning
Sunday, 19th June	10.30am Education Sunday
Sunday, 10th July	3pm Revd Paul Martin's leaving service at Victoria Hall, Bolton
Thursday, 14th July	10-11.30am Coffee Morning
Sunday, 18th September	Harvest
Tuesday, 18th October	2pm Church Council Meeting
Saturday, 29th October	7.30pm Three Towns Operatic Society

Church activities during the week

Monday	Guides at 7.00 p.m.
Tuesday	Bedford Tuesday Circle meet at 2 pm every other week
Wednesday	Brownies at 7.00pm
Thursday	7.15pm Ladies' Choir Rehearsals (when announced)
Friday	Shell Group 7 year olds and upwards. Every other Friday 6.30-8.15pm <i>(start to be announced)</i>

If you cannot attend church, you can join our online/telephone service:
Online: Click the link, Sunday Service Zoom, on the Leigh and Hindley website to join the meeting via 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.

BOOKING THE CHURCH, WESLEY ROOM OR COMMUNITY HALL

If you have any queries about the hiring of our building, then please contact Val or Geoff Pownall on 676538, mobile 07818093640

Church Stewards: Jean Aldred, Sandra Armstrong, Graham Fish, Barbara Gaskell, Jean Leech, Norman Liggett, Geoff Pownall, Nancy Smith

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CHURCH NOTICES
Sunday, 1st May 2022

We offer a warm welcome to all who are visiting us today, especially anyone visiting us for the first time.

If you are hard of hearing you may find it easier to use our induction loop by switching your hearing aid to 'T'.

The words to the hymns are on the screen but if you need a large print hymn book, these are available.



We ask that when the Steward lights the cross at the front of the Church, we use that time before the service in preparation for worship.

Prayer before Worship

Lord, we come with a sense of joy and anticipation for we have come to worship the Lord of all creation. By your Holy Spirit fill our hearts with songs of praise and our voices with words of thanksgiving as we meet today in this place. Touch our hearts that together we may praise the Lord of glory. *Amen*

Sunday, 1st May 2022

10.30am Morning Worship with Sacrament of Holy Baptism led by Revd Wilfred Robinson

Stewards: Nancy Smith and Barbara Gaskell

Door Steward: Sylvia Meredith

Sunday, 8th May 2022

We welcome family and friends of Anna and James to our service this morning with a special welcome to Aaron Clarke who is to be baptised.

Lord, we pray especially for the newly baptised into your family. Hold Aaron in your arms and bless him. Shine your light on the path before him and let him always feel your loving presence as he travels along the paths of life. *Amen*



10.30am Morning Worship led by Worship Leaders, Vera and Rob

Steward: Geoff Pownall

Door Steward: Audrey Bent

Let us continue to pray for those in our Church family who are unwell or for one reason or another are unable to attend worship at this time. We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine and all those suffering at this time.

If you have not yet had an EASTER OFFERING envelope, you can pick one up from the front porch and return it today. Thank you. *Vera*

Tea and Coffee will be served in the Community Hall after this morning's service and all are invited to share in this time together.

Meetings & events during coming weeks (see back page also)

Thursday 5 May	7.30pm Ladies' Choir rehearsals in church
Monday 9 May	1.30pm Pastoral Meeting in the Wesley Room
Tuesday 10 May	2-4pm Tuesday Circle will meet in the Community Hall
Friday 13 May	7.30pm Zoom Fun Quiz. Price £2.50 each. Come and join us for this quiz in the comfort of your own home. If you wish to join then have a word with Rob or Geoff.
Sunday 15 May	10.30am Church Anniversary. The preacher is Dr David Kershaw.

Revd Wilfred and Doris are planning and preparing an authentic 3 course Indian meal here at Bedford on Friday, 27th May, 5.45pm for 6.00pm. We hope you will come along and share in a time of fellowship and good food with friends from churches around the Circuit. Tickets £20. There is a list on the notice board for you to add your name(s) if you are interested.

EVENTS AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Glazebury Methodist Church—A Lancashire Night with entertainment from Flotsam on Saturday, 14 May. Doors open at 7pm. Lancashire Hotpot. Tickets £8 Contact 07836 721964

Atherton Central Church—Allsorts Sale, Saturday, 14 May 10.00am—2.30pm. Variety of stalls. Refreshments available

Bag Lane Methodist Church is holding a 12 hour sponsored sing on Saturday 14th May, 9.00am to 9.00pm. All are welcome. Refreshments will be served throughout the day

Hindley Green Methodist Church—An evening with Parkside Colliery Male Voice Choir—Saturday, 21 May at 7.30pm. Tickets £7.50 incl refreshments. Contact 01942 877678 or pay on door)

The Circuit will be holding a picnic for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on **Saturday 4th June, 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm** at Glazebury Methodist Church