

Culcheth Methodist Church

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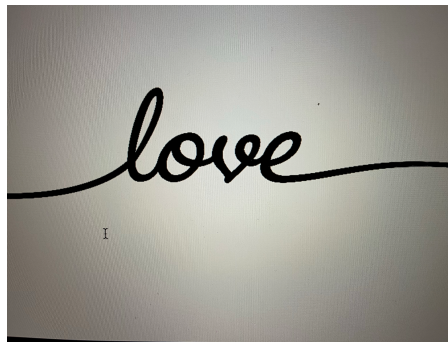
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Psalm 107: 1

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.



Sharing Sunday Worship 10:30am

Sunday 31st July - David Ogilvy - Joint service with Glazebury at Culcheth - Steward Rachel Slater

Sunday 7th August - Philip Kennedy and Amy Driver - JOINT SERVICE AT GLAZEUBURY - No service at Culcheth

Sunday 14th August - Joyce Daniels - Steward Amy Driver

Sunday 21st August - Own arrangement - Steward Elizabeth Soehren

Everyone is warmly welcomed to join us in the hall after the service for tea, coffee and fellowship

There will be no streamed services for the next few weeks as Thomas takes a well-earned break. Streamed services will resume in September.

Thanks to everyone who has helped with the service this morning, especially Morag Burton for the flowers. Flowers next week will be provided by John and Mary Gregson.

Monday Mornings

Monday prayers followed by a coffee morning continues without a break over the summer. Prayers 10.00am to 10.30am. Coffee 10.30am till 12.00 midday.

Modern Worship

Joyful Noise will be taking a break in August and will return at 9.30am on Sunday 4th September. Join us then for your fix of 30 minutes of modern worship music.

In the meantime, **18:30 Praise** continues to provide fortnightly worship with a live band and modern songs at Newchurch Parish Hall at 6.30pm on alternate Sundays - this Sunday 31st July, 14th August and so on, every other week. Amy

Foodbank

This week's requests are for jam, toilet roll, washing-up liquid, soap & shower gel, children's toothbrushes and men & women's deodorant. Of course, you can give any other foods and toiletries that you think would be useful for families at this time. Thank you again for your previous gifts. Everything you bring is much appreciated.

Ray and Irene

Cleaning of Play Area

It's very disappointing that no one has come forward to join a rota to keep the play area at the back of the church clean and safe. This area is used regularly by the ABC pre-school and uniformed organisations and if it can't be maintained properly they won't be able to use it which would reflect very badly on the church. Can I please urge you consider whether you could offer a couple of hours a month to take part in this essential work. If you can please contact me on davidwo71@icloud.com or 07586299397.

Thank you, David Ogilvy

Regular Maintenance Work Days

I've had very little reaction to the proposal for regular work groups. This is the only way to keep the exterior of the building tidy and in good repair - we can't afford to pay someone to do it. Just an hour a week would be so helpful and really appreciated. Please watch this space for some dates/times once we've sorted out a work schedule. For the moment, the planned work day for 6th August has been postponed.

Thank you , David Ogilvy.

Communication:

Weekly Notice Sheet: Joyce McComb by Wednesday 6pm for inclusion that week - email to culchethmethodist@gmail.com or phone 767308

Website: www.leighandhindley.org.uk Facebook CulchethMethodistChurch and LeighandHindleyMethodist
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Social Events/Fundraising

The stewards have been giving a lot of thought to the importance of once again having regular social events, following the long lay-off during the pandemic, with grateful thanks to Daphne for her helpful suggestions and support. This would bring us together and help us to get to know one another better and especially allow Katharine to meet people properly at long last. It would also hopefully generate a spirit of mutual support and working together which would lead to all sorts of much-needed fundraising projects and a fresh interest in keeping the building and grounds tidy and well-maintained.

Some of the ideas mentioned so far include:

- * A hotpot supper/singalong (with ukulele band?) possibly at Harvest
- * Revival of the Supper Club in some form but with different catering
- * Occasional evening meals/Sunday lunch at a venue such as the Village Club
- * Fundraising quiz with raffle
- * Table-top sale/auction
- * Regular maintenance work parties with something to eat afterwards (barbecue?)
- * Soup & roll/faith lunches at church
- * Safari Supper (very popular at Glazebury)
- * Reviving the Saturday morning Open Doors

We would love to have your views and ideas on this. I'm sure the Gift Day has convinced you how vital ongoing fundraising is going to be. Do please talk about this, exchange ideas and let the stewards have your thoughts.

None of this can happen without organisation, of course, and we do need a person or small group, who would be willing to coordinate, but not necessarily organise in detail, social/fundraising events. If you think you might be able to do this please speak to me or one of the stewards.

Many thanks, David Ogilvy

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