

# GLAZEBURY METHODIST CHURCH

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**REV KATHARINE BLAND**



## **Prayer for peace in Ukraine**

Holy and Gracious God

We pray for the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia; for their countries and their leaders.

We pray for all those who are afraid; that your everlasting arms hold them in this time of great fear.

We pray for all those who have the power over life and death; that they will choose for all people life, and life in all its fullness.

We pray for those who choose war; that they will remember that you direct your people to turn our swords into ploughshares and seek for peace.

We pray for leaders on the world stage; that they are inspired by the wisdom and courage of Christ.

Above all, Lord, today we pray for peace for Ukraine.

And we ask this in the name of your blessed Son.

Lord have mercy.

Amen

[Rev Paul Martin]

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**READINGS FOR SUNDAY, 10 APRIL 2022 – Palm Sunday – Luke 19: 28-40; Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Psalm 31: -9-16; Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 22: 14- 23:56 or Luke 23: 1-49**

**PSALM 118: 1-2 – Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his love endures for ever. Let Israel say: His love endures for ever."**

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Cloaks were expensive items of clothing in the time of Jesus. Yet the people laid them down on the road in his honour. Have a look at your clothes to see what you are willing and able to give up, donate what you can to a charity shop.



**THANK YOU FOR THE FLOWERS IN CHURCH THIS WEEK PROVIDED BY CHRIS EMMISON**

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**COFFEE MORNINGS** – The next Coffee Morning will be held on **Tuesday, 12 April 2022 – 10.00am – 12noon** - If you can help with our Coffee Morning please contact Janet Crozier (Steward).

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**Happy birthay to Louise Williamson – Sunday, 10 April. Enjoy Louise.**

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**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:-**

*Maundy Thursday – 14 April - Agape meal at Glazebury Methodist Church (joint with All Saints) at 7pm. Please speak to Delia if you can help during the day.*

*Community Day at Culcheth – Monday, 9 May – Please speak to Robert Graham if you can help out.*

*Lancashire Night on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May*

*Entertainment by band Flotsam ...Pies and peas for supper  
Organised by Men’s Breakfast. More details to follow.*

**General Church Council Meeting – Sunday, 11 September 2022**

**Harvest Festival – 2 October –hopefully at the allotment as last year.**

**Church Council Meeting – Thursday, 13 October 2022**

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**SERVICES AT GLAZEBURY METHODIST**

Date	Preacher	Virtual (V) or Physical (P)	If you can't attend church – join online by this link
			<b>On the Phone: Dial 0330 088 5830 on your</b>

			telephone, When it asks for the access code, enter <b>935 8460 6158#</b> . When it asks for your ID, press #.
10 April	Rev Paul Martin	Live Stream from Kingsleigh	<b>Steward</b> – Christine Taylor – <b>Note</b> There will be tea/coffee and tea cakes at 1030 am with the Streamed service with Rev Paul Martin at 11.00am.
17 April	Easter Sunday at Culcheth	At Culcheth	Rev Sue Whitehead (HC) – 1030 am
24 April	Local Arrangement	P/Own Arrangement	<b>Songs of Praise</b> – please let Delia have your favourite hymn choice.
1 May	Joyce Daniels	P	<b>Steward</b> – John Martin

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**Passiontide Service** - There will be a service at Culcheth Methodist church on the evening of Palm Sunday at 6.30pm, with a choir drawn from Culcheth, Newchurch Parish Church and St Oswald's Parish Church, Winwick. This is a great opportunity to come together with our Anglican friends to worship and sing. There will be refreshments afterwards.

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**SERVICES AND EVENTS DURING HOLY WEEK**

**Astley and Tyldesley** are providing Prayer Stations on the Monday of Holy Week ( 11th April) from 10am to 12 noon at their church. These are open to everyone. Please feel free to come and spend time in these guided stations at the beginning of Holy Week. Refreshments will also be provided.

**Monday to Wednesday of Holy Week** - Reflections at Bedford Methodist Church led by Rev John Fisher every evening 7.00 -7.45 pm to which all are welcome in person or on the usual streamed link.

**Maunday Thursday (14 April)** - A Circuit Service with Holy Communion at Bedford at 7.00pm led by Rev Wilfred Robinson which will also be available through the streaming link.

**Good Friday (15 April)** - There will be a service at Culcheth Christian Fellowship, Hob Hey Lane, starting at 10.30am followed by a Walk of Witness down Common Lane to the village ending with a short act of worship outside Sainsbury's.

There is also a United Service at Kingsleigh at 11.00am led by Rev Wilfred Robinson also available on the streaming link.

**Easter Sunday (17 April)** - Joint Easter Communion service with Culcheth, at Culcheth, led by Rev Sue Whitehead at 10.30am. **Starting at 9.30am** there will be an Easter Breakfast with eggs, toast and hot cross buns. It would be lovely if you could bring a flower or some other sign, such as a colourful ribbon or cloth, of our Easter joy to bring to the Lenten Cross.

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Please CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING in your prayers:-

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- Eileen Groves – who is not well.
  - Joan Patrick who has Covid
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Those, for one reason or another, feel that they are not ready to return to church. May your blessings be always with them. For any of our friends and relatives who are finding these times difficult. May your presence be with them.

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**Easter Offering** - The **Easter Offering envelopes** are now available. Please use these to make your gifts and fill in the back so that tax can be reclaimed through Gift Aid where possible. Cheques should be made payable to “Methodist Church World Mission Fund”. The World Mission Fund supports God’s mission through Partner Churches across the world with mission partners and appointments, scholarships and leadership training and providing grants.

**Rev Paul Martin** - You will be aware that Paul, a former Minister of this church and Circuit Superintendent, will ‘sit down’ as Chair of the Bolton and Rochdale District this Summer. His Farewell Service will be at the Victoria Hall, Bolton on **Sunday the 10th July at 3.00pm**. I’m sure many of us will want to go. See notice board for more details. If you are interested in a coach please let me know. [Christine Taylor]

**Wesley to the World Celebrations & Challenges** - An international symposium via zoom, celebrating valued foundations and addressing urgent challenges of our world. **29-30 April 2022**

Over the past one hundred years, students and staff of Wesley House have generated theological scholarship and cultivated relationships that have impacted the thought and practice of the church worldwide. In this symposium we gather global Methodist scholars and practitioners to explore the foundations of our collaboration in God’s work in the world—a theological legacy. We also identify the contemporary challenges of the day to which we need to speak and into which we need to live around the world—a contemporary calling. An opening keynote address sets the tone for the symposium, providing a map for global Methodist theology around the central theme—Wesley to the World. Panel members explore two questions of the original Methodist Conference: What to teach? and What to do? The first question provides an opportunity for panelists and participants to celebrate the rich legacy of Wesley House and its enduring influence through global relationships. The second question moves us in the direction of action as an international panel of Wesley House partners reflects on the global challenges of a time such as this. This symposium offers online participants time to engage world-class scholars and to share with participants in small group settings. Members of the symposium will meet, hear, converse, engage, and hopefully, sow seeds for action that continue to carry Wesley to the world. Register here: <https://bit.ly/WesleytotheWorld>

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## Daily Bible Study

Isaiah

52:1-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news, who announces salvation. (v. 7) [from Leigh and Hindley Circuit website]

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**Pastoral Care for the Next Three Months** - Rev Katharine is now on Sabbatical, which will last for three months. During this time Rev Wilfred Robinson will have Pastoral care for eleven churches. This is an impossible task without the help of our Pastoral Visitors. As a church family we must all take care of one another and the Pastoral Visitors will keep their eyes and ears open for those in their group. The list of groups will be on the notice board in church if you are not sure who your Pastoral Visitor is. Every one of us has the role of looking out for one another.

We pray that Rev Katharine will return refreshed, rested and renewed to continue to serve The Lord. **Delia - Pastoral Secretary**

We are looking forward to snippets from Rev Katharine's Sabbatical via this news sheet.

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**THE LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETS ON A REGULAR BASIS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES/QUESTIONS PLEASE LET ME KNOW WHAT THEY ARE AND I WILL TAKE THEM TO THE MEETING – IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT THE QUESTION/CONCERN MIGHT BE. WE CANNOT WORK FOR YOU IF YOU DON'T TELL US WHAT YOU MAY BE CONCERNED ABOUT!!!**

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*[Christine*

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### **Room / Event Bookings**

Please direct all room / event booking enquiries to Robert Graham via one of the following methods: DM via the Glazebury Methodist Church Facebook page By email: [By Phone](#) or text: 07806 600508

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