

South Hub Notices



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Glazebury Methodist Church Warrington Road, Glazebury, Warrington, WA3 5LD "To welcome everyone with the Love of God; To be a guiding light in the community;

To provide a safe space where all can feel they belong"

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"Sharing God's love with our community by reaching out with open hearts"

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Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills—where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot slip—he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord watches over you—the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm—he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and for evermore.

Sharing Sunday Worship 10:30am

Sunday 19th October - Reverend Pat Malham - Holy Communion - JOINT SERVICE AT CULCHETH - No service at Glazebury - Steward David Ogilvy

Sunday 26th October - Local arrangement - JOINT SERVICE AT GLAZEBURY - No service at Culcheth - Stewards Delia Caswell and Janet Crozier

Sunday 2nd November - Reverend Philip Berry - JOINT SERVICE AT CULCHETH - No service at Glazebury - Steward Caroline Fillery-Brown

Sunday 9th November - Reverend Jacquie Evans - Remembrance - SERVICE AT CULCHETH - Steward Amy Driver

Glazebury congregation may worship at All Saints Parish Church on this Sunday

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

Thank you to everyone who has helped with the service this morning especially to Heather Boley for the flowers. Flowers next week at Glazebury will be provided by Joan Heywood.



Coffee Shop at Culcheth

The Coffee Shop will be open as usual this **Saturday 18th October** from 10.00am - 12.00noon. All are welcome so do please come and join us for hot drinks, for toasted tea cakes and crumpets and for fellowship.

David Ogilvy

Service at Culcheth this Sunday

As part of the 60th Anniversary celebrations we're very pleased that Reverend Pat Malham has accepted an invitation to lead our worship this **Sunday 19th October**. The service will include Holy Communion. Many of you will remember Pat and her husband Damian as very active and committed members at Culcheth before Pat successfully candidated for the Methodist Ministry. We look forward to seeing them again and hope you will take the opportunity to catch up with them and share memories.

The Anniversary Team

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Church Council at Glazebury which was due to be held on Thursday 30th October has been **POSTPONED** due to Rev Katharine's absence. The date of the next Church Council at Glazebury is **Monday 10th November** at 7.00pm and will be chaired by Reverend John Fisher. Please make a note in your diaries of the change of date.

Janet Crozier

Service at Culcheth 2nd November

We're very pleased that Reverend Philip Berry has accepted an invitation to lead our worship on **Sunday 2nd November** as part of Culcheth's 60th Anniversary celebrations. Many of you will remember Philip was Minister of Culcheth and Glazebury Methodist Churches for 13 years from 1986 to 1999 before becoming Superintendent of the old Congleton Circuit.

We look forward to welcoming Philip and remembering all he achieved during his fruitful ministry here.

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Café Praise and Worship

The next Cafe Praise and Worship will be **Sunday 2nd November** at Newchurch Parish Hall, Common Lane, Culcheth. Doors open at 6.15pm with running refreshments. Service starts at 6.30pm. Roddy Marr

Communication:

Weekly Notice Sheet: Joyce McComb by Wednesday 6pm for inclusion that week - email to culchethmethodist@gmail.com or phone 01925 767308

Website: www.leighandhindley.org.uk

Facebook: CulchethMethodistChurch; Glazebury Methodist church and LeighandHindleyMethodist

Safeguarding Concerns contact Rev Katharine Bland 01925 763218

Concert with Hot Pot

We're looking forward to the Concert with Hot Pot Meal this **Saturday 18th October**. There is a vegetarian alternative for those who have already opted for it and all ingredients are gluten free. Please note the starting time is **3.00pm** as shown on the ticket. If anyone is able to help with setting up the hall after coffee tomorrow morning we would be very grateful.

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Culcheth Methodist Church Memorial Service

We all respond differently to the heartbreaking loss of someone special and grief is a very personal experience, with a range of emotions surfacing over time, sometimes when we least expect it.

If you would like to remember anyone who has died, whether it was very recently or many years ago, you are warmly invited to attend our Annual Memorial Service. This service will include thoughtful reflections and there will be chance for you to light a candle if you wish to do so, or you may prefer to just sit quietly on your own with memories of your loved one.

This year the service will be held on **Sunday 16th November** at 3pm at our Church and you are very welcome to remain with us afterwards for tea, coffee and cake.

If you would like to know more please do not hesitate to get in touch with Janette Hutchinson on 01925766819.

Christmas Fair

We have started to prepare for our Christmas Fair at Culcheth Methodist Church this year. It will be on **Saturday 29th November** opening from 10.00am for the usual morning coffee people. There will be stalls, refreshments and of course Father Christmas.

We will be asking for contributions of small paperback books for our book stall, jewellery and any new gifts. Also Christmas food such as jars of mincemeat, pickles and boxes of chocolates or biscuits. At the beginning of November we will be putting a box out in the Welcome Space for your kind donations.

We also need volunteers on the Friday afternoon to set up the hall and sanctuary and on the Saturday for the stall and the kitchen and to help pack up on the Saturday afternoon. Joyce Daniels 07720084193/Daphne Eastburn 01925 765561/David Ogilvy 07586299397

The Flourish Festival

The Flourish Festival 2026 - "Woven Threads" is in York on the weekend of 13th-15th Feb - a diverse all-age festival. Rediscover how you can flourish in your faith, with speakers, workshops, worship, activities and inspiration. It is organised by the Yorkshire North & East district.

If you are interested, look here: FLOURISH Festival 2026 - Woven Threads

Meeting Point at Culcheth

We continue to meet for fellowship, conversation and a cup of tea or coffee, usually on Thursdays at 2.00pm in the Welcome Space at the Church. All are welcome.



This week we enjoyed a visit from a speaker from the Blood Bikes. Thank you to Joyce Daniels for the photo.

The programme continues as follows:

October

23rd No meeting

30th Jean Finney - Joyce Grenfell

November

6th Music Group

13th Kate Ackers - The Dog's Trust

20th Music Group

27th Karen Rutherford and Mike Bloomfield - St Roccos

December

4th Music Group 11th Christmas Meal

Betty Memmott

Culcheth Players

Culcheth Players present Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol" at Newchurch Parish Hall on Friday 17th and Saturday 18th October and Friday 24th and Saturday 25th October, all at 7.30pm. Tickets £7.50 (booking fee applies) from ticketsource.co.uk or £8.00 on the door. Enquiries and on the door ticket reservation 07943 517710.

Fundraiser for St Rocco's Hospice

Dance the night away with the Kevin Parry Big Band Sound at the Daten, Charnock Road, Culcheth on **Friday 7th November** from 7.30-11.00pm. Tickets £20.00 including hot pot supper from Neil (07977 825296) or Sue and Keith (01925 766641/07580 051103).

Allan Graham

Many of you will have heard the sad news that Allan passed away in hospital on 9th October with his family around him. He had been in failing health for a while, with several stays in hospital, so we give thanks that he is now at peace. Please hold in your thoughts and prayers Louise, Steve and Benjamin, Robert and Alan's sister, Mary, who sadly lost her husband very recently.

This truly is the end of an era at Glazebury. Allan, and his late wife Dorothy, were a much loved and respected part of the local community for as long as many of us could remember. Their house was always welcoming and often seemed to be the focus of village life. They were absolutely at the heart of the life and work of St John's Methodist Chapel where Allan seemed to have been Senior Steward forever! Outside the church he was a long-serving JP until retiring from the Bench.

We give thanks for Allan's long and fruitful life, his friendship, his steadfast faith and his devoted service to his Saviour, church, Circuit and community.

Allan's funeral will take place at 11.30am on Friday the 31st October at Glazebury

Methodist Church led by Reverend Paul Martin.

David Ogilvy

Alistair Scott

Alistair and Margaret Scott were sociable and fondly respected members at our Church for many years before and after a spell back in their Scottish homeland. Alistair took an interest in church affairs generally and was very committed to the Scout Movement, involved in their wide ranging activities and remaining a true advocate for them even after retiring as Group Scout Leader. He had great practical skills and, as a very keen gardener, he helped in the planning stages of our Church Garden before moving to Harrogate a few years ago to be near daughter Heather and son-in-law Robert and family.

We were very sorry to hear that he had passed away peacefully on the 10th of October at the grand age of 96, but know that he will now be reunited with Margaret, to whom he was devoted and who died last year. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to all his much loved family near and far.

It is hoped that Alistair's funeral service will be held at Culcheth. Details will follow once arrangements are made.

Janette Hutchinson

Food Safety



A number of us have recently attended a Food Hygiene Course and we picked up quite a few pointers particularly relevant to our kitchen work at CMC. We thought that we should share them by preparing a few aide memoires to leave in the kitchen.

The first is about safe food temperatures...particularly important when reheating pies and soups etc. It has been put on the wall near the stove together with a recently purchased food thermometer.

Please forgive us if you are already well aware of these points.
Linda

SAFEGUARDING

This communication had been agreed by our two Leadership Teams. If you have any worries or questions about this issue please talk to your Safeguarding Officers, Janet or Linda, or to your Pastoral Contact.

MAY I?

For many of us there are times and contexts when we really welcome a touch or a hug and other times when we would not. For some of us a hug or touch is never a joy or comfort — it can be re-traumatising for someone who has been or is suffering abuse; some of us may have sensory processing difficulties and find it distressing and some people simply dislike being touched.

The Methodist Church is working to raise awareness of this issue. This is not to stop us showing our love by hugging but to always be sure beforehand that it is OK to do so, even if our touch or hugs have been welcomed beforea simple "May I?" Equally, we should always feel free to be able to ask for that hug off someone or volunteer before being asked that it isn't right for us at that moment.....perhaps something like "I know you care, but no thank you."

One of the changes that you will already have noticed in this awareness raising is that when people are invited to "Share the Peace" or otherwise share touch or move around in worship, preachers should always recognise that some of us will not want to participate. In the case of sharing the peace we are invited to remain quietly in prayer.

We are all at the forefront of making our churches safe places for everyone so we all need to be aware of this important safeguarding concern. So.....Please will you have a look at the leaflet that can be found in your church and be sensitive to this issue?

Thank you, Linda Bloomfield



Support the 2025 Real Advent Calendar

The Real Advent Calendar is the UK's only Fairtrade calendar which comes with a free 24 page Christmas story-activity book and which supports charitable causes.

The 2025 calendar has a new design. There is a Fairtrade chocolate and a line of the Christmas story behind each of the windows. The free book has a page for every day of Advent expanding on the Christmas story and includes some fun challenges. No other calendar enables parents and children to experience the Christmas story for 24 days and be challenged to do some good in the season of Advent.

Why we need a Real Advent Calendar

The Real Advent Calendar was created in 2013 following surveys which showed that 36% of 5-7 year olds did not know whose birthday is celebrated at Christmas. In the same year 51% of adults said that the birth of Jesus was irrelevant to their Christmas. The calendar is a great way to reverse this tipping point and share the Christmas story.

Tastes good and does good

Money raised from the sale of this year's calendar will help Fairtrade farmers receive a fair price for their goods and a Fairtrade premium to spend on the priorities of their communities ranging from solar panels and fresh water to teaching resources. Profits will also help The Funzi and Bodo Trust provide care for mums and babies in Africa.

Calendars cost £4.95 each. It seems too early to be thinking about Christmas but we're encouraged to book early because they ran out early last year. There is a board up at Culcheth for you to sign up it you would like to order some. It's a good way to help children (and families) to realise the real meaning and message of Christmas which gets lost in all the general advertising. With the state of the world as it is more people seem to be looking for hope. We could use them to reach out to our neighbours and contacts.

Please order early before they sell out.

Thank you, Rita Turner

