



South Hub Notices

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*"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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Culcheth Methodist Church Ellesmere Road, Culcheth, Warrington, WA3 4BJ

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

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Isaiah 2: 4-5

*[The Lord] will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their words into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war any more.
Come, O house of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord.*

Sharing Sunday Worship 10:30am

Sunday 30th November - CIRCUIT SERVICE AT KINGSLEIGH METHODIST CHURCH (WN7 4LR) - No service at Culcheth or Glazebury

Sunday 7th December - Toy Service - JOINT SERVICE AT CULCHETH - No service at Glazebury - Steward Amy Driver

Sunday 14th December - Local arrangement - Breakfast Church - JOINT SERVICE AT GLAZEBURY - No service at Culcheth

Sunday 21st December - Reverend Jacquie Evans - JOINT SERVICE AT CULCHETH - Steward Caroline Fillery-Brown

Sunday 21st December 6.00pm - Worship leaders - GLAZEBURY CAROL SERVICE

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

Thank you to our friends at Kingsleigh for welcoming us this morning. The advent wreath at Culcheth will be provided by Ann Langridge.



Coffee Shop at Culcheth

Our Christmas Fair is taking place this **Saturday 29th November** so arrangements will be a bit different. Hot and cold drinks, and toasted tea cakes and crumpets will be served from 10.00am as usual and bacon buns and cakes will also be available. Since this is a big fund raising event for the church there will be a charge on this occasion. We hope you will come to enjoy the fellowship and see what the Fair has to offer.

Normal service will resume next week.

David Ogilvy

Reverend Katharine

The following statement from the Circuit Leadership beyond was read out the Sunday before last at all the churches for which Katharine has pastoral responsibility:

Rev Katharine has been on sick leave for a number of weeks now, which has included a period spent in hospital. Whilst Katharine has now returned home, she is continuing to undergo medical treatment and investigations.

Katharine will continue to take time away from her work for a period of rehabilitation to continue her treatment and recovery. She will only return to her work when her medical team feel that she is ready, and this will include a phased return.

We ask that you continue to not contact Rev Katharine during this time and any issues are directed to Rev Wilfred, Rev John or one of the Circuit Stewards. Arrangements are being made to ensure that all Rev Katharine's commitments are covered during this time and appropriate changes to the Circuit Plan are being made.

Please continue to keep Katharine, Paul and their family in your prayers during this time.

Thanks, The Circuit Leadership Team

Toy & Parade Service

We look forward to our Uniformed Groups with their families and friends joining us for our special Hub Toy & Parade service at Culcheth next **Sunday 7th December** which will be led by Worship Leaders. We shall be very grateful to receive unwrapped new or unused gifts suitable for children and teenagers which will be passed on to Warrington Salvation Army's Christmas Appeal.

Thank you, David Ogilvy

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

Christmas Services

Wednesday 17th December	Culcheth Carol Service with the Choir at 7.00pm followed by refreshments
Sunday 21st December	Glazebury Carol Service led by Worship Leaders at 6.00pm
Wednesday 24th December	Christmas Eve Hub Service with Holy Communion at Culcheth at 7.30pm led by Reverend Jacquie
Thursday 25th December	Christmas Day Hub Service at Glazebury at 10.30am led by Amy Driver
Sunday 28th December	Songs of Praise-style Hub Service at Glazebury at 10.30am led by Worship Leaders

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.

4th December at 2.00pm Music Meeting Point

11th December

Christmas Meal, 12.00 for 12.30, at the Village Club.

To book, please sign the sheet on the notice board and choose your menu.

Pay on the day (£18.00) which includes gratuities.

Our friends from Glazebury are very welcome to join us.

Betty Memmott

Jeanette Gill

I'm sorry to have to tell you that Jeanette passed away peacefully at the age of 87 on Friday 14th November with her 3 children beside her, having lived with dementia for some years. She was a member of Culcheth Methodist Church for many years until around 1990 when she moved to Devon, but wanted her funeral to take place at Culcheth, the church where she felt most at home.

Culcheth friends who were here at that time will remember Jeanette as being very actively involved in the life and work of the church and community. Her close friends included Celia Watts and Rosalind Roberts, both of whom have sadly passed on. Her children were also involved in the church through Uniformed Organisations, Junior Church and Youth Club.

The funeral service will take place at Culcheth Methodist Church on the afternoon of **Monday 15th December**, time to be confirmed, led by Reverend Jacquie Evans, followed by committal at Howe Bridge Crematorium. Please hold the family in your thoughts and prayers.

David Ogilvy

Christmas Fair at Culcheth

Preparations for our Christmas Fair at Culcheth Methodist Church are now well under way. It will be this **Saturday 29th November** opening from 10.00am for the usual morning coffee people. There will be stalls, refreshments, children's crafts 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. There are 2 boxes in the foyer for your kind donations. We also need volunteers this afternoon from **3.00pm**, not 4.00pm as shown before, 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. Elizabeth Soehren will be in charge of refreshments so please let her know if you are able to help in the kitchen/Room 2.
Joyce Daniels 07720084193/Daphne Eastburn 01925 765561/David Ogilvy 07586299397

Three Towns Operatic Society Concert 7th December

We're delighted that the Three Towns Operatic Society will return to Culcheth Methodist Church on **Saturday 6th December** for their annual Christmas Concert. For the first time this will be a matinee performance starting at **2.00pm**. We hope this will encourage those who don't like coming out on dark nights to come but enjoy the concert and company. This is always a highlight of our social year with a varied and entertaining programme performed to a high standard and delicious cakes during the interval. There are still a few tickets available - please contact David Ogilvy or Daphne Eastburn. Please encourage family and friends to come with you to this special event.

We shall be grateful for your help, if you're able, by:

- bringing cakes for the refreshments during the interval
- donating prizes for the raffle
- helping to set up the hall and sanctuary before the concert, serve refreshments during the interval and clearing up afterwards. Please speak to David Ogilvy if you are able to help by selling tickets or setting/clearing up on the day. Caroline will coordinate the refreshments so please let her know if you can help provide cakes or serve on the day.

Thank you, the Anniversary Team

There are still a few tickets available - please contact David Ogilvy or Daphne Eastburn.**Food Bank Collection at Culcheth**

Thank you for your very regular, thoughtful gifts. The Food Bank are currently short of instant mashed potato, small jars of coffee and jam but welcome all donations including Christmas treats.
Ray and Irene

Heating/Sliding Glass Doors at Culcheth

Thank you for your continuing help in keeping energy costs down by taking care to turn off lights and radiators when you leave and closing the glass doors. The Property Group

Quilts

Glazebury Methodist Church Craft Group are raffling two quilts in aid of Church funds. Anyone interested in viewing the quilts or buying tickets should speak to Fiona Martin.

Christmas Fayre and Tractor Run at Glazebury

Glazebury Methodist Church presents their Christmas Fayre and Festive Tractor Run on **Saturday 6th December**. Fayre with craft stalls, cakes and hot food from 4.00-6.30pm. Tractor Run starts at 6.30pm.

Christmas Flower Demonstration

There will be a Christmas flower demonstration on **Thursday 11th December** at 1.30pm for a 2.00pm start. Tea, coffee and mince pies on arrival. Lots of flowers to be won. Tickets £8.00 in aid of Glazebury Church. Contact Jill on 07780 504646.

‘Posada’ - Churches Together Advent 2025

Churches Together will be doing something different and rather special this year to mark the season of Advent. Posada (Spanish for ‘inn’) is a lovely tradition, originating in Mexico, in which Mary and Joseph are symbolically welcomed into peoples lives for a night.

Mary and Joseph, in the form of Russian dolls, will be hosted by a household for one night and then passed to another family or gathering of people. They will be accompanied by a folder which explains the tradition, and contains prayers which can be used, pictures to colour in, and space for people to write down what they do and what it means to them.

Our two churches will host Mary and Joseph during the week beginning Sunday 14th December. Hosts are already signed up, including Gilbert Court and Holcroft Grange, where Mary and Joseph will be part of our Christmas service on 18th December.

The event will start on the **first Sunday in Advent, 30th November**, at 4.00pm on the forecourt of Newchurch Rectory on Jackson Avenue. There will be refreshments - each church will bring mince pies. It will end at the same time and venue on Christmas Eve when Mary and Joseph will be taken to Newchurch Parish Church. David Ogilvy

Hub Church Weekend 20th to 22nd March 2026

The weekend is proving to be so popular that almost all the places have been taken. Thank you for responding so promptly to the request for deposits. If you want to go please contact Delia Caswell as soon as possible. She will be compiling a waiting list in case anyone drops out.