



# 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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**Culcheth Methodist Church** Ellesmere Road, Culcheth, Warrington, WA3 4BJ  
Registered Charity Number 1129901  
*"Sharing God's love with our community by reaching out with open hearts"*  
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## **John 1: 6-9**

*There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light. The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world.*

## **Sharing Sunday Worship 10:30am**

Sunday 14th December - Advent 3 - Local arrangement - Breakfast Church - JOINT SERVICE AT GLAZEBURY - No service at Culcheth - Steward Graham Borg  
Wednesday 17th December 7.00PM - CULCHETH CAROL SERVICE - Steward Caroline Fillery-Brown  
Sunday 21st December - Advent 4 - Reverend Jacquie Evans - JOINT SERVICE AT CULCHETH - Steward David Ogilvy  
Sunday 21st December 6.00pm - Worship leaders - GLAZEBURY CAROL SERVICE - Steward - Christine Taylor  
Wednesday 24th December 7.30pm - Christmas Eve - Reverend Jacquie Evans - JOINT SERVICE AT CULCHETH - Steward Elizabeth Soehren  
Thursday 25th December - Christmas Day - Amy Driver - JOINT SERVICE AT GLAZEBURY - Stewards John Martin and Janet Crozier  
Sunday 28th December - Worship Leaders - Songs of Praise service - JOINT SERVICE AT GLAZEBURY - No service at Culcheth - Steward Christine Taylor  
Sunday 4th January - Reverend Katharine Bland - JOINT SERVICE AT CULCHETH - No service at Glazebury - Steward Joyce McComb

*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 Robert Graham for the flowers.



## Coffee Shop at Culcheth

The Coffee Shop will be open as usual this **Saturday 13th December** 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

## 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

## Film Night at Glazebury

The next film night at Glazebury is next **Friday 19th December** starting at 6.30pm not 7.00 because the film "It's A Wonderful Life" is a bit longer than our usual ones. Everyone is welcome to come to start their Christmas off in the good old fashioned way with us. See *notice below*

Alan Crozier

## Men's Breakfast at Glazebury

There will NOT be a Men's Breakfast in January. The next one will be at the beginning of February.

Alan Crozier

## Church Family Christmas Card

As in previous years, there will be a large Christmas card on display in the Welcome Space at Culcheth from 7<sup>th</sup> December. Please share Christmas greetings with our wider Church Family and all users of the building by signing and adding a personal message of your own.

Voluntary donations will be in aid of Action for Children. Thank you!

## Communication:

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

Website: [www.leighandhindley.org.uk](http://www.leighandhindley.org.uk)

Facebook: CulchethMethodistChurch; Glazebury Methodist church and LeighandHindleyMethodist

**Safeguarding Concerns contact Rev Katharine Bland 01925 763218**

## **Toy & Parade Service last Sunday**



We were pleased to welcome young people and leaders from our uniformed groups, with family and friends, to our Toy Service last Sunday.

Many thanks to the Worship Leaders for a service which helped us, in a fresh and different way, to understand the significance of the gift of Jesus Christ for us. The whole congregation was cleverly kept intrigued and involved by the unfolding mime play and the youngsters did really well sharing the readings with us and bringing the gifts forward.

Thank you to everyone who helped and took part and, of course, we're really grateful for your generosity in bringing such an amazing amount of wonderful gifts for needy children. These have been taken to Warrington Salvation Army for distribution in their Christmas parcels.

David Ogilvy

The wonderful donations of toys and other gifts on Sunday were exceptionally generous. We took two jam packed carloads to the Salvation Army in Warrington on Monday, where they were very gratefully received. We were specifically asked to pass on their heartfelt gratitude and to say a huge thank you to everyone who contributed so generously, including the uniformed groups, members of the Church and the wider community. They will make a positive difference to the recipients. THANK YOU ALL!

Ashley and Janette

## **Three Towns Concert**

Once again we enjoyed a wonderful musical treat from the Three Towns Operatic Society. Their programme included a wide variety to suit every taste and the standard just seems to get better.

We were delighted that the room was almost full and the weather didn't discourage people from coming. Having a matinee performance seemed to work well and many have said they preferred it. The concert raised £946 which is a good result. The refreshments during the interval were wonderful and very much appreciated.

A very big thank you to all who helped by buying and selling tickets, donating raffle prizes, baking and bringing cakes, arranging and serving refreshments, and setting and clearing up.

The Anniversary Team

## **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

## **'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. I will make sure Mary and Joseph are delivered and collected as arranged.

A good number of us gathered at Newchurch Rectory the afternoon of the first Sunday in Advent to mark the start of Mary and Joseph's journey around the churches when we sang carols accompanied by the handbell ringers and fortified ourselves against the cold with mulled wine and mince pies. Don't forget we'll do the same at 4.00pm on Christmas Eve when Mary and Joseph reach journey's end.

David Ogilvy

## **Methodist Women in Britain Winter Newsletter**

The Methodist Women in Britain Winter Newsletter is available on the following link:

<https://cdn.mwib.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Winter-2025-newsletter.pdf>

Caroline Fillery-Brown

## **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** at 1.00pm led by Reverend Jacquie Evans, followed by committal at Howe Bridge Crematorium. Following the church service light refreshments and drinks will be served in the Welcome Space and sanctuary before the family leave for the crematorium. This is an exception to our usual practice of not having refreshments at the church.

Please hold the family in your thoughts and prayers.

David Ogilvy



The **Methodist Church** 

Warrington Road, Glazebury, Warrington, WA3 5LD.



# FILM NIGHT

FRIDAY 19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2025

6.30pm Start

**FREE ADMISSION**



THE CLASSIC FILM "ITS A WONDERFUL LIFE"  
**BRING YOUR OWN POPCORN**

DONATIONS TOWARDS ICE CREAMS AND CHURCH FUNDS WELCOME