#### **FULWOOD METHODIST CHURCH**

I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength.

Philippians 4 v 13



#### **SUNDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2024**

Welcome to Fulwood Methodist Church.

We extend a very warm welcome to all who worship with us and invite you to join us for tea or coffee after the service.

If you are new, we would love to get to know you better. Please speak to the Minister or to one of the Stewards.

10.30am Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Revd. Jane Wild

#### **PRAYER**

At the start of the new Methodist year, we pray for all the Methodist Churches in our world. We pray for those beginning their ministry in new areas that they might find guidance from you as they meet many new people and present the gospel. We pray especially today for Jane and our own ministry team. May they know your leading and presence as we go forward into another new year. We ask this in Jesus' name.

Amen

#### THIS WEEK

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

10am to 12noon. Open for coffee and 'New to You Stall

Wednesday 4th September.

8.00am District Prayers led by Rev Phil Gough.

Meeting ID:662 251 8842. Passcode 234567

**10.00am - 12.30pm.** 'Welcome Wednesday' Open for drinks, soup, bacon butties, scones and 'New to You Stall'. All welcome.

10.30am. Holy Communion Service with Rev Jane Wild.

**7.00pm** Community Choir.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

2.00pm to 4.00pm. Knitting Group.

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

9.30am - 11.30am Toddlers Club

Sunday 8th September. 10.30am. Altogether Worship led by Revd. Jane Wild

#### **FUTURE DATES**

**Sunday Club.** Have you ever wondered what we do in Sunday Club? Want to know more about the themes we explore and the way we learn about our faith. Why not sign up to visit our session on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September and find out. The signing in sheet will be by the kitchen hatch or you can email <u>Janet Wales</u> or <u>Darren Arnold</u>. There are a maximum of 20 places this month but we can extend the invitation to other months if more people wish to be involved. We look forward to seeing you on the 8<sup>th</sup> September.

**Book Club.** The next meeting of the Book Club will be on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm in the Cedar room. We shall be discussing 'Dragged Up Proppa' by Pip Fallow and there will be the chance to draw our attention to other books about 'growing up', especially in the North. Learn too about our preparations for Christmas. Please join us even if you have not read the book(!) and enjoy convivial company, a drink and of course a chocolate biscuit etc. Everyone is welcome!

The Worship Planning meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> September has been postponed until 29<sup>th</sup> September, when it will be held after the morning service. All welcome.

**Sunday 8**th **September. Radio 2 on the Park** will be taking place on Moor Park for these three days and parking will be restricted on the roads close to Church on the south side of Watling Street Road. For Toddlers Club, Youth Club and the Saturday Sing on the Friday and Saturday, there should be ample parking on our own car parks front and rear, but there may be problems on the Sunday morning. We can still use the Oakhill Vets as normal and are trying to negotiate with Pius X School for places on their car park. When this is confirmed, we will let people know. If you can car share, use the minibus or walk/cycle to Church on that morning it may be much easier!

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September. 10.00am – 11.00am.** Calling all singers to come and learn a song for Harvest Sunday (6<sup>th</sup> October). All welcome.

Sunday 8th September. Two meetings after the morning service:

An Eco Church meeting. Please join us over coffee for an informal chat about taking the Church to the next level on its Eco Church journey. We currently have the Bronze Award and would like to progress to the Silver Award. Come with your ideas and suggestions or just to listen. See Veronica Frost or Anne Garsed. All contributions welcomed.

**Christmas Fair planning meeting**. As last year we hope to combine the Christmas Fair with the Farmers' Market on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November. If you would like to help with planning a stall for your group or just help in general, please join us for a short meeting. We need plenty of volunteers to help share the load and make this a very special and successful event. If you cannot make this date but still want to help, please speak to Karen Hunt.

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September. 6.30pm**. Alternative Church. Please join us at the Black Bull pub for food or just a drink, to share in fellowship and topical conversation led by Jane. If you would like to know more, please contact Wendy Bennett.

The AM Club - restarts after the Summer Break on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September.

**Friends at Fulwood.** (Tuesday at Two renamed) restarts on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm. This first meeting after the summer break will be a 'Members Meeting' when you are asked to share an interest or experience

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October & Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October - Harvest weekend. There will be a family event on the Saturday evening with an orchestral concert at 5.00pm and a meal at 6.30pm. Tickets are available at £15. Anyone just wanting to attend the concert does not need to book but is encouraged to come, bring friends and make a suitable donation. We are offering transport to those who need it but shall be using cars as the minibus is with 3Generate. If you require transport or can offer transport, please contact Eric Waterhouse 863743. Early offers and requests would be appreciated so we can organise. Sunday morning worship will include the collection of dry foodstuffs which will be donated to the Salvation Army Food Bank and cash donation will be sent to "All We Can", the Methodist Charity helping people in other countries. Poster *HERE* 

**Sunday 29**th **September will be a Songs of Praise service**. We would love to know your choice of hymn and why it is special to you. If you would like to record your message rather than speak on the day we will help you to do so. Please speak to Mavis Fletcher or any of the stewards

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October. 7.30pm.** Sunshine and Showers – "Prayers Beautiful Messiness". A time together to explore prayer in a relaxed atmosphere. Running for 6 weeks at Ingol methodist Church. See poster for more information.

#### OTHER NOTICES

**Harvest Magazine.** Please can you all think of any items you might like to write for the next magazine. Due to holiday commitments, it would be very helpful if these could be sent as soon as you can, so that the great amount of work producing the magazine does not have to be done in a short time. As stated in the last issue, the copy date for the Harvest issue is Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. We have only received a few items so far. Please give them to *Roy Smith* **AND** *John Butterworth* Thank you.

**Welcome Wednesday** needs your support if it is to maintain its wonderful outreach. We are struggling to find volunteers to help. As with all our activities we rely on peoples' goodwill every Wednesday to provide refreshments and staff our 'New to You' section.

We especially need help with our 'New 2 You' as it takes a team to cover, setting up, sorting and handling the money, to run efficiently. We especially need help with our 'New 2 You' as it takes a team to cover, setting up, sorting and handling the money, to run efficiently. Unfortunately, due to age, illness and bereavement, we have lost valuable members of our team. Please consider giving a few hours of your time, however small; it is such a rewarding thing to do.

Welcome Wednesday runs every Wednesday from 10.00am to 12.30pm. Any time you can give would be very much appreciated, in any capacity; we have a rota of team members for the refreshments side, 'New 2 You' could also run on this system if we were to get enough volunteers to cover the running each week. Please have a word with Eva McLaren who runs the 'New 2 You' or Edna Armstrong or Margaret Squire; we would be delighted to have you on board. Thank you, Edna 07702374692.

THE CHURCH NEEDS YOUR SKILLS & TALENTS! In an effort to encourage everyone to get involved in the life of our Church we would like to know what hidden talents are within our Church family. Over the next few weeks there will be a noticeboard displaying the various jobs which need volunteers to make church events successful. Please look at what is there and see if you can be one of the many who help to make our church an inclusive, caring community and add your name to the list. If there is nothing there that stands out for you, please think of what you could do that would help us embrace everyone - it may be something we have not thought of before or not had anyone with the relevant skills to make it happen. Remember THE CHURCH NEEDS YOU!

Bereavement Journey. Commencing at 7.45pm on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September at Bamber Bridge Methodist Church, 7 sessions of films and discussions for anyone bereaved, at any time. See poster <u>HERE</u> for information.

The Salvation Army Food Bank are in need of the following items: Toilet rolls, toothpaste & toothbrushes, washing up liquid, and washing machine detergent. Sugar, Coffee, Hot chocolate, Jam. Tinned potatoes and tinned vegetables. Items can be left in the yellow box in the Hall.

**Wanted** One of our advertisers (Brian Mengella) is in urgent need of storage space for some of his equipment. It's for a limited period only, and he'd pay for the privilege, of course. His contact number is 07774 244046.

**Church Transport.** If you wish to use the minibus on Sunday mornings, please contact Eric Waterhouse 863743. The driver this week is Andrew Bennett and next week, 8<sup>th</sup> September, will be Emma Byers.

**Prayer Chain.** We believe that God hears and answers prayer, so we take seriously His invitation to lay before Him our concerns. Because we believe prayer makes a difference, several people in this Church have committed themselves to pray for you or your loved ones at times of crisis or worry – this is our Prayer Chain. All prayers, names and situations are held in confidence. If you would like us to pray for you, please *contact Sue Whiteford* or 864478.

#### Prayer Flash.

From Hoole Methodist: We thank you, O God, for all those who have gone before us, who have led us on our journey bringing us to where we are today, and for the continuing opportunity to work and witness for you in Hoole and the surrounding area. We ask you, Lord, for faith to follow your guiding, courage to trust in you and strength to carry out your will for us wherever we are, whoever we meet and whatever we find ourselves doing in the days to come. May His will, not ours, be done in all things. Amen.

From Hesketh Bank Methodist: We're thankful for the loving fellowship of our church family and would like to pray for our local community and that we can find ways to serve them.

**Notices.** Please send anything you need included in the notices to <u>Beryl Hoyle</u> **AND** <u>Sue Whiteford</u> by Wednesday morning.

**Room Bookings.** If you wish to book a room at Church, or you want to know which rooms are available on a certain date, please contact our Church Administrator, Sharon Beck, by email *administrator@fulwoodmethodist.org.uk*. This avoids any double booking of rooms and helps with invoicing and booking information which Sharon has to send out to all those who use our building.

### UNIFORMED ORGANISATIONS

The Uniformed Organisations meet at Church as shown below. Parents will be notified when each organisation has a break during a school holiday.

Mondays:

**4.45pm - 5.45pm.** Squirrels. **5.45pm - 7.00pm.** Beavers. **7.00pm - 8.15pm.** Cubs.

Tuesdays:

**7.00pm - 9.00pm.** Scouts

Thursdays:

6.00pm - 7.00pm. Rainbows. 6.15pm - 7.30pm. Brownies. 7.30pm - 9.00pm. Guides. 8.00pm - 9.30pm. Rangers

## 'A MONTH OF SUNDAYS' FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 CLICK <u>HERE</u> CIRCUIT PREACHING PLAN (Q1) SEPT - NOV 2024 <u>HERE</u>

#### **ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION**

When joining the services via Zoom please turn OFF your camera and microphone.

Click the BLUE links below for access.

MORNING SERVICE Every Sunday 10.30am On ZOOM Passcode: email Jane Wild

LANCASHIRE DISTRICT ZOOM SERVICE Every Sunday 7.00pm On ZOOM PASSCODE: CLICK HERE

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