



# FULWOOD METHODIST CHURCH

*"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God". Matthew 5 verse 9.*

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**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.**

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## SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER

**10.30am. Morning Worship and Gift Service led by Revd. Jane Wild.**

*The gifts will be given to families in need at Ribbleton Methodist Junior School and the Women's Refuge in Preston. Please bring gifts of toys, books etc in the condition you would like to receive them if you were a child (new/well cared for) and toiletries for the women who had to leave the necessities of life behind them as they seek safety.*

**4.00pm – 6.00pm. Advent Celebration.** *Join us on a journey through the Christmas story, a hot meal, crafts and carols around the Christmas tree. Everyone is welcome, but you need to have booked online or by filling in the form by the kitchen hatch. There is no charge but donations are welcome.*

### PRAYER

*Heavenly Father, I pray that you will bless me with the ability to be a peacemaker in this world. May I always strive to bring peace and harmony wherever I go and may my actions reflect your love and grace. In Jesus' name, Amen.*

### THE WEEK AHEAD

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December.**

**11.00am -12 noon.** Come and join the Church singers in the Cedar Room in preparation music for Christmas and beyond.

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.**

**10.00am to 12noon.** Open for coffee and 'New to You Stall'.

**12.30pm for 1.00pm.** AM Club Christmas meal at The Anderton Arms.

**2.00pm.** Friends at Fulwood, Members Afternoon.

**7.00pm.** Bible Fellowship led by Revd. Jane Wild.

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December.**

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

**10.30am.** Holy Communion led by Revd. Jane Wild.

**7.00pm.** Community Choir.

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December.**

**2.00pm to 4.00pm.** Knitting Group.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December.**

**9.30am – 11.30am.** Toddlers Club.

**6.00pm – 8-00pm** Escape.

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. 4.00pm. STRICTLY NATIVITY.**

This is a special event for the whole Church family and the wider [L'Arche Community](#) of friends. This will involve many people from several sectors of the Church and will last about 30 minutes. This new and specially written Nativity was conceived and developed at Fulwood. We can promise a Nativity with a difference - come and be amazed, and hopefully amused!! Enjoy music and dance; be part of an active audience; but, best of all, hear again the age-old message. No need to book, no tickets required and there is no charge - donations welcome. Come along and enjoy hearing the truths of the Christmas message presented in a different way.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December.** Morning Worship with Holy Communion and a Baptism led by Revd. Jane Wild.

## FUTURE DATES

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December.** Friends at Fulwood. Afternoon Tea at St. Catherines. Meet in car park at 1.45pm for transport on the mini bus.

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. 2.30pm – 4.00pm.** Knitting Group. Come and enjoy Festive Food and Fun with Friends. Tickets £6 from Veronica or Jude. We can cater for gluten free, but need to know in advance.

**Circuit 'Hush and Noise' Advent Bible Studies.** These began on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 7.00pm-8.00pm on Zoom for 4 weeks. It is an interactive discussion around the themes for Advent and all are welcome to come to one or all the sessions.

## OTHER NOTICES

**Advent Services.** This advent we will be following the Methodist theme of 'Hush the Noise' in which we are encouraged to put aside some of the Christmas distractions and focus on God. So, we are going to have a reverse advent ring in which would have all the candles lit and lights and images around it that will gradually decrease until we are left with the one candle on Christmas day.

### Suggestions for Advent Devotions:

- Starting Christmas Eve: [Hush the Noise - the Methodist Church](#),
- Then from beginning of Advent, <http://adventword.org/sign-up-adventword>.

Or for those preferring a book:

- "Walking Backwards to Christmas" 11 Reflections by Stephen Cottrell;
- "The Meaning is in the Waiting", by Dr Paula Gooder;
- "Watch for the Light": Readings for Advent and Christmas paperback.

**Mince Pies Please.** The 4<sup>th</sup> Fulwood Scout group are holding a Christmas party for their families (from Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) on 14<sup>th</sup> December. We would welcome donations of mince pies or other small cakes. Please give to Sonia Phillips or Darren Arnold by Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

**Coffee rota.** Due to illness / changing circumstances, can anyone offer to serve coffee once every 7 weeks after the Sunday morning service. Contact Sue Penrith.

**Thank you.** Eileen Clarkson and family would like to thank Revd. Jane Wild for conducting a lovely service at Andrew's funeral and for visiting him in hospital. Also, thanks to Mavis for playing the organ to accompany the hymns at the service. We are so grateful to the people who attended the service and for prayers, cards and support from our friends at Fulwood, who have been a great comfort to us.

**Church Magazine.** The Church magazine is published once a quarter, and available to all, both on the church website ([fulwoodmethodist.org.uk](http://fulwoodmethodist.org.uk)) and in hard copy. Paper copies are left in the Willow Grove to read in Church, and we are happy to print extras for you to take away: just ask any steward.

**The Salvation Army Food Bank** are always grateful for any donations of dried/tinned foods or toiletries, and these can be left in the yellow box in the Hall.

**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](mailto:Sue.Whiteford@fulwoodmethodist.org.uk) or 864478.

**Church Transport.** If you wish to use the minibus, please contact Eric Waterhouse 863743.

**Notices.** Please send anything you need included in the notices to [Beryl Hoyle](mailto:Beryl.Hoyle@fulwoodmethodist.org.uk) AND [Sue Whiteford](mailto:Sue.Whiteford@fulwoodmethodist.org.uk) by Wednesday morning.

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**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 Angela Dunnet by email, [administrator@fulwoodmethodist.org.uk](mailto:administrator@fulwoodmethodist.org.uk). This avoids any double booking of rooms and helps with invoicing and booking information which Angela has to send out to all those who use our building.

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#### **Notice from 4<sup>th</sup> Fulwood Scout Group.**

We have availability for Church families to come to the 4<sup>th</sup> Fulwood Christmas party on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 4.00pm – 6.30pm, at Preston Golf Club - Fulwood Hall Lane, Fulwood, Preston PR2 8DD. This party is for all the family!

Enjoy a professional DJ with games and activities, along with a visit to Father Christmas, who will have a gift for each child, (for those who wish to see him), a raffle (cash only) and hot food. All this for the price of £15 each for those visiting Santa and £10 for those just coming for the entertainment and food. Drinks can be purchased at the bar. Why not wear a Christmas jumper?

Please email me with the information below and I will then send you the details of how to pay for the tickets. There will be a limit on numbers, so it's a case of first come first served. Please note all children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Please email [lesleythomas01@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lesleythomas01@hotmail.co.uk) to request tickets:**

Name and age of child/children;

No. of adults attending @ £10;

No. of children who wish to see Father Christmas @ £15;

No. of children not visiting Father Christmas @ £10;

No. of children visiting Father Christmas with no food (babies and toddlers) @ £5;

Any special dietary/allergy requests.

Yours in Scouting. Lesley Thomas, 4<sup>th</sup> Fulwood Trustee Board. 01772 727877 or 07729782519. **Deadline to book is 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024. THIS SUNDAY**

'A MONTH OF SUNDAYS' FOR DECEMBER 2024 CLICK [HERE](#)  
CIRCUIT PREACHING PLAN (Q2) DEC 2024 - FEB 2025 [HERE](#)

## 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

## 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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