

FULWOOD METHODIST CHURCH



“Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God”
1 Corinthians 10:31

SUNDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2021

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

10.30am Morning Worship led by Rev Jane Wild. In Church (via Zoom) and Sunday Club

Please join us for cake after the service, as part of Cyril's 100th birthday celebrations.

7.00pm Lancashire District Service – via Zoom.

Reflections and Prayers Reflections and prayers on Facebook and YouTube will be on a Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Sunday 21st November 10.30am Morning Worship will be led by **Andrew Bennett**.

Mondays at 7.30pm STOP AND PRAY

Join the Church family in this prayer at 7.30pm on Monday and maybe pray for other things too. It will be good to know that we are all praying at the same time.

*Take my life, Lord;
May Your will be done in all I say and do, today and every day.
Use me Lord, to Your praise and glory.
This I ask in Jesus' name, Amen.*

Please pray for the Family of Ann Myerscough who died this week. The Funeral will be at Church on 19th November at 2.00pm TBC

Tuesdays - Open for Coffee 10.00am to 12noon – all welcome.

The 'New to You' stall will also be available

Welcome Wednesdays 10.00am – 12.30pm.

We will be open for drinks, soup, bacon butties and scones. The “New to You” stall will be there and the opportunity to meet old friends and new.

Thursdays 2.30pm – 4.00pm Knitting Group. If you can knit or crochet, or want to learn, then come along. New members are welcome, and we have wool, needles, and crochet hooks for people to use.

Friday 9.30am to 11.30pm Toddlers Club.

Outdoor Church.

This is a Circuit venture and will be held in different locations on the second Sunday of each month 2.00pm to 3.30pm.

The next get-together is **Sunday 14th November**. Meet at Fulwood Methodist Church at 2.00pm for a short walk to Highgate Woods. This is an opportunity to join in friendship and spend time in prayer outside. Bring a packed snack and a drink.

Interfaith Week 2021 - 14th – 21st November.

The programme for Preston Interfaith Week 2021 is on the notice board.

Tuesday 16th November

- **2.00pm – Ladies Fellowship at Church**
With Sue Wilkes and her new guide dog puppy “Rhea”
- **5.00pm - 7.00pm Messy Church at Church.**

We will run a slightly modified, hopefully, Covid-safe Messy Church including tea. A chance for families to create, chew and celebrate together. All welcome but could youngsters please bring an adult with them.

Church Magazine.

The copy date for material for the Christmas magazine is **21st November**. Contact or email [Roy Smith](#) and [John Butterworth](#)

Shoebox Appeal 2021.

Please keep filling the shoeboxes. The last Sunday is **21st November**. If you are not able to fill a shoebox you can still support the charity by offering a donation. Did you know £10 will fund transport for 5 boxes? If possible, pay donations directly into their bank account: Royal Bank of Scotland; Sort Code 16-28-16, Account Number 10075885, and email office@internationalaidtrust to let them know who the donation is from, e.g Church/group. Cheques can be made payable to International Aid. You can send it direct or give it to Wendy Bennett (860965).

Saturday 27th November 9.30am – 1.00pm at Church. Christmas Farmers' Market with Fairtrade.

Christmas gifts and cards, plus all the normal Farmers' Market stalls. Come and look for that special present or stock up on Fairtrade and local food. Drinks and snacks available. All welcome.

Sunday 28th November - Memorial Event.

There will be an evening Memorial Event held at venues across the Circuit. Please keep this date free and watch out for more detailed publicity to follow. Contact [Denise Johnson](#) on or 07719200451 for further information.

Sunday 28th November 3.30pm – 5.00pm Sunday Club Christmas celebrations.

(Including Bright Sparks). There will be a pizza tea, games, crafts and an Advent trail. There might even be some chocolate!!! This is a bit different from the parties we have had in the past, but it will be a great way to start the season and make it a special time for all the young people. Details to follow but please keep this date free.

Christmas Coffee Morning - 4th December. We shall have Christmas arrangements for sale from M.E. Cornall's nursery where we get the plants for our plant sales. The prices are:- Wreaths £9.00; Door Rings £13.00; Crosses £8.50; Crem. pots £5.00. Please give your orders to Barbara Hothersall (tel 716203) by Sunday 28th November. If you are unable to attend the coffee morning, orders can be delivered with payment on delivery. Please make cheques payable to Fulwood Methodist Church. Thank you.

Gift Service 5th December 2021.

We are collecting gifts for our local charities again this year. These include Salvation Army, women's refuge and a local school. Please can you donate new toys, toiletries and non-perishable food items. The Salvation Army have also specified food treats for their hampers too. If you have any questions, please ask a steward.

Church Transport.

Anyone wishing to use the minibus on future Sunday mornings should contact Eric Waterhouse tel. 863743. The driver of the minibus today is Emma Byers.

Rotas.

The rotas for December, January and February for sound, reading and welcome stewards are being compiled. If you are now on the rota and happy to remain on you need not do anything. If you are not on a rota and would like to be, please let us know. Thank you. Libby (774818) and Sue (862273).

Donations to Salvation for Food Bank.

Remember the yellow box for donations of food and toiletries for the Food Bank at the Salvation Army. This will be taken down on a regular basis. The colder weather is coming and many more families will be in need of extra help, so please donate whenever you are able.

The Advent wreath was created in Germany in 1839 by a Lutheran minister working at a mission for children. He made a wreath out of the wheel of a cart, on which he placed twenty small red candles and four large white candles inside the ring. The red candles were lit on weekdays and the four white candles were lit on Sundays. We are hoping to recreate this journey through Advent this year.

In preparation we have themes for each week and the opportunity to visual display on a tree. Please think if there is an image or some words you could stick on/write one of the 10cm diameter wooden discs we will have available each week. The discs will be available from next week.

The themes for each week are 28th November 'Peace'; 6th December 'Wisdom'; 12th December 'Acceptance'; 19th December 'Faith'. You can pick up a disc from next Sunday, bring it back the following Sunday or send it to Jane Wild by email or WhatsApp and we will prepare them for the tree for you.

Make a difference – become the President of Methodist Women in Britain – see details on noticeboard.

Prayer Requests.

Please email [Judith Harvey](mailto:Judith.Harvey@methodist.org.uk) with any prayer requests.

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

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ZOOM MEETING INFORMATION

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

If you are phoning in, please put a # at the end of the meeting ID and passcode

Click the **BLUE** links below for access

[**MORNING SERVICE**](#) Every Sunday 10.30am Passcode: email [Darren Arnold](mailto:Darren.Arnold@methodist.org.uk)

[**LANCASHIRE DISTRICT ZOOM SERVICE**](#) Every Sunday 7.00pm

Passcode: [Click here](#)

Dial by your location. You can dial one of the numbers beside the codes below. You will be asked for the meeting ID and password and can join in from your telephone.

Free telephone numbers: 0800 260 5801 0800 031 5717 or

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GOD IN LOVE UNITES US

In Summer 2021 after a long period of consultation the Methodist Conference made some significant decisions about Marriage and Relationships. They are contained in a report which is available in Church should you wish to read it.

It affirms marriage as:

The Methodist Church believes that marriage is an exclusive relationship, freely entered into with a life-long intention of uniting two people in body, heart, mind and soul in ways that are appropriate to each partner. In it, God's Spirit enables both partners to know the security of love and care, bringing to each other comfort and companionship, enrichment and encouragement, tenderness and trust. Through such marriage children may be nurtured, family life strengthened, and human society enriched. The Methodist Church recognises that amongst its members different views are held about the interpretation of the Bible and Christian tradition as to whether those being married may be any two people or may only be a woman and a man. The Methodist Church has decided to respect and make practical provisions for both positions.

The Church recognises that the love of God is present within the love of human beings who are drawn to each other, and who enter freely into some form of life-enhancing committed relationship with each other, whether that be through informal cohabitation, or a more formal commitment entered into publicly.

- As a Church we wish to celebrate that the love of God is present in these circumstances, even if that grace is not responded to or even discerned by the people concerned.
- The Church has an important calling, therefore, to point to the presence of God's love within such relationships, and to encourage people to respond to it in the renewing and deepening (by whatever means) of their commitment.

The Conference consents in principle to the marriage of same-sex couples on Methodist premises throughout the Connexion and by Methodist ministers, probationers or members in so far as the law of the relevant jurisdiction permits.

It is therefore a requirement that Church Councils make a decision as to whether they consent to same sex marriages taking place on their church premises.

We are aware that these discussions are sensitive to many people, so we have provided this out line. You will have access to the report should you wish to read it and, on the 20th November, there will be an open session at Church for anyone who wishes to have a conversation with the Minister and Church Council Secretary so that the mind of the Church can be considered at the Church Council convened to discuss it on the 9th December 2021.

There is also an invitation to contact Rev Jane Wild to talk about these issues individually.