



# FULWOOD METHODIST CHURCH

*"She will give birth to a son and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."  
Matthew 1 verse 21.*

*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.*

## SUNDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

**10.30am. Morning Worship led by Professor Alan Gillies.**

### PRAYER

*Thank you Father, for the gift of your son, who was born in Bethlehem and given the wonderful name of Jesus. He is my salvation. Thank you for His life, His example and His love for me.  
In Jesus name I pray. Amen*

### THIS WEEK

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.**

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

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December.**

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

**2.00pm.** Friends at Fulwood, Christmas Communion.

**Wednesday 18<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.

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December. 10.00am – 12noon.**

Hot Chocolate and Gingerbread Social. Join us for crafts, games, film, Hot Chocolate and Gingerbread. Open to all.

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December.**

**10.30am. Messy Nativity. Led by Rebecca Ainsworth.** Crafts from 10.00am. All welcome; you can choose to spend some time exploring other aspects of Christmas or participate in the service in Church. You are welcome to dress as someone from the Christmas story either in our own costume or you can borrow one from Church.

**5.30pm. Carol Service.**

### LOOKING AHEAD

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December. 10.00am.** Christingle Making – help us put together the 200 oranges and bags for the service. You never know there might be a sausage/bacon butty when finished!

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December. 3.00pm. Christingle Service.**

**11.30pm. Midnight Communion Service.**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December. 10.00am. Christmas Day Service.**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December. 11.00am. Joint Mission Group Service at Penwortham.**

**Can you help?** Additional help as Welcomers is needed for the following extra services. As ever, we're dependent on YOU! Names to Roy Smith please:  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December for the Carol Service.  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December for the Christingle Service & for Midnight Communion.  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Morning.

## 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.

**Our Christmas collections** this year will be split between Action for Children, The Foxton Centre and St Catherine's Hospice. If anyone would like to donate by card, please see a Steward.

**Marie Curie Christmas Quiz** is available for £1 from Veronica - text 07742 9102092 if you want to order any.

**Nativity Sets** - please label your set and bring them to Church for Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December and put in a box labelled Nativity sets on sideboard behind coat rack in Willow grove. Thank You.

**Offertory Envelopes.** One set of 25 Offertory envelopes have been ordered but we have 27 members who use envelopes. Please could I ask a couple of people to volunteer to move their giving to standing order? If you need any help with this - call Amanda on 07768416801.

**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.

**Methodist Women in Britain.** I recently emailed the national MWiB newsletter to the women whose email addresses are on my list. If you wish to be added to that list, please email [Ann Done](#)

**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.

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

**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

**Notices.** Please send anything you need included in the notices to [Beryl Hoyle](#) AND [Sue Whiteford](#) by Wednesday morning..

**Please be aware that there will be no notices on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December.**

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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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## CIRCUIT PRAYER NEWSFLASH FOR DECEMBER 2024

**West Preston Methodist Church, Ingol:** *We thank God for the growth of the Friday Friends group where new friendships are being made and as a warm space people are finding to meet and enter the church building in this area of Ingol. We ask you, Lord, for faith to follow your guiding, courage to trust in you and strength to carry out your will for us and our community 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.*

**West Preston Methodist Church, Ashton:** *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 wholeheartedly through the Home cafe and activities which take place in the church building. Looking towards Advent we are open for families and children to join us for Christingle on Christmas Eve!*

### 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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