

THE RECORD

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CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

The **Methodist** Church South Fylde Circuit
Making Disciples: Transforming Lives and Communities

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SING FOR GOD'S GLORY

Sing for God's glory that colours the dawn of creation,
racing across the sky, trailing bright clouds of elation ;
sun of delight succeeds the velvet of night,
warming the earth's exultation.

Sing for God's power that shatters the chains that would bind us,
searing the darkness of fear and despair that could blind us,
touching our shame with love that will not lay blame,
reaching out gently to find us.

Sing for God's justice disturbing each easy illusion,
tearing down tyrants and putting our pride to confusion ;
lifeblood of right, resisting evil and slight,
offering freedom's transfusion.

Sing for God's saints who have travelled faith's journey before us,
who in our weariness give us their hope to restore us ;
in them we see the new creation to be,
spirit of love made flesh for us.

Kathy Galloway (b. 1952)
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WORSHIP SERVICES

SEPTEMBER

1st Sept

10.30 a.m.

CIRCUIT WELCOME SERVICE AT THE DRIVE

Revd Stuart Wild

Preacher: Rev Dr James Tebbutt,

Chair of Methodist North West District

8th Sept

10.30 a.m.

Mr Andrew Barratt

15th Sept

10.30 a.m.

Revd Michaela Barker

22nd Sept

10.30 a.m.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Deacon Kim Gabbatiss

29th Sept

10.30 a.m.

Revd Stuart Wild

Service includes the celebration of Holy Communion

OCTOBER

6th Oct

9.30 a.m.

ACTIV8 led by Revd Stuart Wild

13th Oct

10.30 a.m.

Mr Fred Jackson

20th Oct

10.30 a.m.

Revd Stephen Heath

27th Oct

10.30 a.m.

Revd Stuart Wild

Service includes the celebration of Holy Communion

WORSHIP SERVICES (cont'd)

NOVEMBER

3rd Nov

9.30 a.m. ACTIV8 led by Revd Stuart Wild

10th Nov

10.30 a.m. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Ms Christine Pierce

17th Nov

10.30 a.m. Revd Janet Pybon

24th Nov

10.30 a.m. Revd Stuart Wild

Service includes the celebration of Holy Communion

CIRCUIT WELCOME SERVICE

A circuit welcome for Revd Michaela Barker, the new probationary Minister for Fairhaven and Kirkham, will be held on Sunday 1 September at 10.30 a.m. at The Drive Methodist Church. The preacher will be the Chair of our new North West England District, Revd Dr James Tebbutt.

Refreshments will be served afterwards.



Letter from our Superintendent Revd Stuart Wild

Dear Friends,

As I write this letter, I am reminded of a special friend who, as they say, claimed her reward many years ago. You see I am writing in May for the autumn magazine because I will be on sabbatical in summer when the Editor's deadline comes around.

Let me tell you about my friend and why I am thinking of her now. Her name was Dorothy and she was a Church magazine Editor. One day before I went to what my children call 'minister school' she wrote to me out of the blue and requested from me an article for her magazine. At that stage I didn't even know her by sight although I had preached at her church.

From that request came others and to save on postage I even asked her for a theme and I wrote several and sent them all at once (no email in those days). From this developed a correspondence which lasted till her death and I was even invited to take her funeral service.

We didn't meet often but we exchanged a lot of letters-many of hers bemoaning the fact that a deadline was approaching and she had not as yet received a minister's letter. She was a kind and faithful person and remembering her has brought a smile to my face.

Our churches are full of Dorothys, ordinary people whom nobody notices but who faithfully serve their Lord in their own unique way. I have been privileged to meet many of them. In John chapter 13 we read how Jesus washed his disciples' feet- a loving act of service. Then at verse 15 we read that he said:

“I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you.”

There are many ways to serve God and each other. Thank you for your acts of service. May God bless you and prompt you to see other ways in which he is calling you to serve.

With love

Stuart Wild

ACTIV8



Our monthly informal service of early morning worship is on the **first Sunday of each month** at 9.30 a.m. A time of warm fellowship with associated activities for children followed by breakfast. There will be **no** service at 10:30am at Church Road, but those wishing to attend a traditional service are encouraged to go to The Drive.

ACTIV8 WALKS

Some months, Bill Ellison arranges family walks after Activ8. For information, please speak to Bill or telephone him on 07969 168205





MYRTLE PEPLOW
REVD ALAN CLARK



*"I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord:
he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
and whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."*



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Names of departed loved ones may be entered in the Book of Remembrance, on the day when loved ones are especially remembered. Please complete the details on one of the slips in the Church Foyer and hand to one of the Stewards if you would like a name to be included.

SUMMER FLOWER DEDICATIONS

JUNE

2nd Cherished birthday memories of Ross Wells

9th Loving birthday memories of John, from Barbara, Caroline and Samantha

Loving memories of my parents, Kay and Cedric Eyre, from Catherine

23rd Birthday memories of my dear husband, Harold – Christine Bell

Loving anniversary memories of John and Muriel Watts

JULY

7th In memory of Jean and Herbert Mayes

21st In loving memory of Nancy and Harry Wrigley

Loving birthday memories of Edwina from Ryan and Sylvia

AUGUST

4th Diana Thompson - birthday memories of a dear Mummy & Daddy

11th Sylvia Dibble in loving memory of Audrey and their parents

18th Loving birthday memories of Jesse from Barbara and all the family

25th Loving anniversary memories of Fred and Marion Holland

Fond memories of Arthur and Hannah Nicholson



MARRIAGE CELEBRATION

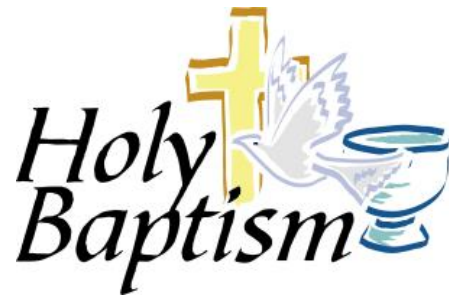


Erin Bullock and Josh Cadden

Saturday 13 July 2024
at The Glasshouse, Staining



Congratulations to Erin and Josh on their marriage and we send them our very best wishes for their future happiness together.



SUNDAY 23 JUNE 2024

Charlotte Patricia
Daughter of Alison & Matt Hanson
Granddaughter of Janette Farley



Congratulations & Best Wishes to

JUNE MELLOR

who celebrated her 90th birthday
on 1 June 2024



VALETE

We are sorry to say good-bye to Nancy Steele who is moving away from the area. We thank Nancy for her support and fellowship over the last few years whilst she has been worshipping with us.

We wish Nancy 'God speed' and send her on her way with our love and prayers.

Paws for thought 13



Romans 8 v 1-25

Brian said he was going to write an article for his church magazine entitled the patient -patient. Which made me think just how patient are we? Some more than others and I would put myself with the 'others'. I know I should try harder but

However the Bible tells us patience is a virtue, so as Christians it is something we should acknowledge as God's gift to us. Paul tells us patience is the Fruit of the Spirit. It is something we should practice as part of our Christian journey, day to day. What do they say, use it or lose it and patience is something I often lose. Even Fimber didn't have the patience to let his toy dry and tried so hard to get it off the washing line and it is often in the little things that we find it difficult to be patient with, and that can include ourselves and others.



Sometimes I find myself wishing the time away to my next holiday, to the next appointment, to a meal out, not the next birthday as that would mean I was another year older, but you follow my drift, patient I am not. Verses 24 & 25 of our reading puts patience into a different perspective. For in hope we are saved but not in the hope that we see now but in the hope for what is to come and we are told we should wait with patience.

Frustration, impatience, instant gratification, creep into our lives so easily in modern society and we see the anguish and pain that it brings to those around us. So perhaps a big prayerful sigh of 'give me patience Lord', is a prayer we should utter a little more. Just to make the world around us a little calmer place to be.



Judith Smith

The President of the Methodist Conference, the Revd Helen Cameron, and Vice-President, Carolyn Godfrey, have released the following statement and prayer as a response to the violent disorder that has taken place over recent days.

“The Methodist Church celebrates diversity as a gift from God. Every day we work through churches, schools and community projects to build relationships of respect, care and love in communities across Britain. Watching the news from towns and cities across our nations, where people motivated by hate have caused harm and fear, has been shocking and distressing. The Methodist Church deplores the use of violence and intimidation against displaced, marginalised and vulnerable people. We are appalled that the tragic killing of three young children and the injuring of others has been used as an excuse for riots and disturbances. Honesty and trust are at the heart of the Christian life and the abuse of social media in spreading lies to stir up anger and hate is despicable.

Those with hate in their hearts will never have the last word. As communities reel from unrest and disorder, Methodists will continue to work with our ecumenical and interfaith partners, as we join in clearing up, restoring trust and building communities of love, in which people can live in peace.”

The recent riots have deeply affected many communities, and in many areas, the Methodist Church has been actively responding to these events. Some churches have been holding prayers and offering support to those affected by the violence and many Methodist communities have been actively involved in cleaning up and supporting those impacted by the riots. There’s no doubt that the riots were significantly incited and escalated through social media, with far-right groups particularly targeting young people. We all have a Christian responsibility to counter disinformation and seek to promote understanding in our communities.

A PRAYER FOR OUR COMMUNITIES

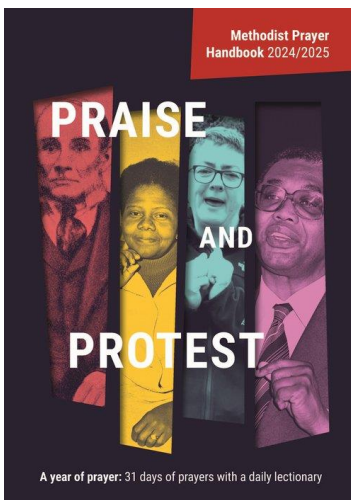
*God of love,
We pray for your Spirit of peace to move in our communities,
that those who are targets of hate might be safe
and that people of goodwill might work together in love and respect.*

*We pray for your Spirit of healing,
that those who grieve, might be comforted
and those who are injured might be made well.*

*We pray for your Spirit of hope,
that those who despair might see a way ahead
and those who live in fear might find sanctuary and freedom.*

*Soften the hearts of those motivated by hate
and help us all to love our neighbours as those made in your image.
In Christ's name.*

Amen



METHODIST PRAYER HANDBOOK 2024/25

PRAISE AND PROTEST

Following the prophet Isaiah's call, echoing through the ages to us, the 2024/2025 *Prayer Handbook* contains prayers on how the Church can **“learn to do right; seek justice and defend the oppressed”** (Isaiah 1:17a, NIV).

To engage in God's mission and be part of that transformation, we believe the Methodist Church is called to become an increasingly evangelistic, inclusive and justice-seeking Church.

Please speak to Elaine Watts if you would like to order one.

APPRECIATION



Despite a mixed summer for weather, we have been thrilled to see our church garden looking colourful this year.

A very big **thank you** to Ian Haynes for his planting and care, as well as to Barbara Knowles and Colin Hird for their help in keeping the grounds looking so

good. Our garden is on a busy corner of the neighbourhood and is our shop window for the local community.

To help keep our grounds looking tidy and cared for, would you be prepared to adopt a flower bed, to be weeded and maybe planted in your own time? If you think you might be able to do this, please have a word with Barbara Knowles.



HELP ALWAYS NEEDED

We are always in need of people to help out with various activities within the church – usually on a rota basis so that we can spread the load. There is still a need for help with the sound system operation, PowerPoint preparation and/or projection, preparation for Communion services and flower arranging. Please have a word with Janette Farley if you think you might be able to help out in any way.

If you would be prepared to join in worship by reading the lesson occasionally, please speak to Linda Butcher, email lindambutcher@gmail.com or phone 07796 035514. The readers' rota is arranged quarterly in line with your availability. You will usually be notified of the reading a few days in advance.

COMMUNITY DEFIBRILLATOR

As you know a couple of years ago, we fundraised to purchase a community defibrillator. A defibrillator is a device that gives a high energy electric shock to the heart of someone who is in cardiac arrest. This high energy shock is called defibrillation, and it's an essential part in trying to save the life of someone who's in cardiac arrest. A defibrillator may also be called a defib, an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) or a PAD (Public Access Defibrillator). Defibrillators are incredibly useful devices; they can be used by anyone, along with emergency services and are widely known to have saved many lives.



The North-West Ambulance Service recently released an update (6/8/24) about defibrillators. Did you know that in the North-West 8,937 defibrillators have been registered, of which our defibrillator here at Church Road is one? Nationally there are over 94,000 registered defibrillators, representing about 16.5 per 10,000 population.

Our defibrillator does cost a very small amount of money to maintain and run each year and we are always grateful of donations towards this.

Marie Hawkins



PRAYER CHAIN

If you, or someone you know, is in need of prayer, then please contact Anne Mayes (Tel. 01253 727132) or Janette Farley (Tel. 07958 100041)

Please be assured that confidentiality will be respected

CHURCH LIFE GROUP UPDATE



The Church Life group has been busy organising various social and fund-raising activities during the summer months, starting with a table-top games night at the beginning of June, with thanks to Bill Ellison for organising.

The Church Anniversary service on 9th June was followed by a Jacob's Join lunch, enjoyed by all who attended.

On 29th June we once again sold drinks and cakes to people watching the St Anne's carnival procession. Due to the inclement weather this was served inside the church rather than outside but this didn't deter our customers. Thanks to everyone who helped and provided cakes to support this annual activity.

On 10th July we hosted a concert by St Annes Community Choir, directed by Dr Kevin Morgan. A varied programme was provided including a rendition of the Dambusters March on the organ, a barber's shop quartet and a selection of classical and modern pieces. A raffle was organised by the choir, and the church life group served refreshments at the end of the concert.

Further events have been organised for the remainder of the year including a ploughman's lunch of soup, bread and cheese to be served after the Harvest Festival service on **22nd September**

On **12th October** we will be hosting a coffee morning which will include an opportunity to have a go at making pumpkin floral arrangements, please see separate notice.

2nd November is the date for our Winter Fair, details of which are in a separate notice. Please do support this event which promises to be an early and very enjoyable lead in to the Christmas season.

If you would like further information about the Church Life group or would like to be involved in any events please speak to Linda Butcher (Lindambutcher@gmail.com) or Judith Smith (jp.smith185@btinternet.com), or any member of the group.

Changing Lives in Our Community

As most members and friends of Church Road Methodist Church will be aware, One Fylde have recently moved many of their activities over to our premises, using meeting rooms as well as the church during week days.

During the summer, Janette arranged for a group of church people to visit One Fylde on a Wednesday morning, when we were able to meet some of the people involved and see them in action.



On our arrival we were warmly greeted by Hannah, who gave us an introductory talk about the aims of the charity and a summary of the activities that are provided. One Fylde Enterprises launched in September 2023 and is focussed on providing people with a learning disability and/or autism with a meaningful and purposeful day. They provide a range of sessions including recycling, gardening, woodcraft, craft enterprise and digital arts which supports people

to learn and develop new skills in their session area. As

One Fylde is a charity, they work towards becoming sustainable and generating their own income by selling things that they make out into the community.



Alongside these exciting sessions, One Fylde also pride themselves in having their own radio station, One Fylde Radio. People are supported to record their own radio show based on their key interests in music and are supported to write a script, record their show and in some cases even edit their own programme. Through this, people learn new skills in reading, promoting their memory and also skills in speech and language.

On our visit, we had the opportunity to see the sessions that were taking place that morning. In the main part of the church, we enjoyed watching a dance session and saw how much pleasure, as well as exercise, this gave the men and women who were participating. At the same time, a woodcraft session was in progress in the transept. Members of the group were working on a variety of projects, some of which were football themed. They showed us the crafts and chatted to us about them. Later on, we saw further completed craft items including jewellery and ornaments.

Finally, we were interested to see a radio programme being put together (for some of us this was a new experience!). We watched as one of the clients practised and then recorded introductions to music ready for editing and broadcasting a week or two later.



Our morning with One Fylde was informative and enjoyable for us all, and especially for one of our group, who described to us her special connection with the organisation:

“ My son is 50 and he has been with One Fylde (*which was formerly Fylde Community Link*) since 2015, living in supported housing. He has his own flat with support from the staff who help him with his finances, cooking and living his life. He attends the Art Class, now based at Church Road, which he enjoys. He likes the space and works two days a week with the Recycling Team at a unit off Queensway. He is very settled in his home and that makes me happy.”

After our visit, having seen the work of One Fylde and also hearing of this specific example of how they are supporting people in St.Annes, I felt very aware of how fortunate we are at Church Road to host them. This is in addition to all that Wesley's does on a continuing basis, as well as our own church activities. I feel sure that our combined efforts are able to make a really significant contribution to the life and well-being of our local community here in St Annes.

Lesley Turner

onefylde are helping to make a difference in our community.



LADIES FELLOWSHIP AT THE DRIVE

Once again, The Drive ladies have invited us to join them at their meetings once a fortnight on Wednesday afternoons at 2.30 p.m. at The Drive Methodist Church. The Autumn programme is set out below:

SEPTEMBER

4th Communion
Revd Stuart Wild

18th Member's Afternoon
Poetry/Stories

OCTOBER

2nd Dominoes

16th The story of Jimmy Butterworth and Clubland
John Butterworth

30th The Magic of Theatre
Richmond Neale

NOVEMBER

13th From the Cradle to the Grave
Catherine Peak

27th A Funny Thing Happened to Me on the Way to the
Parish
Brian Mayne

DECEMBER

11th Concert by Ann Shepherd's Choir
followed by mince pies and a cup of tea.

18th Christmas Party

For more information, please contact Elaine Watts - Tel: 722302.

WESLEY'S COMMUNITY CAFE & LARDER

*Wesley's community cafe
is a safe place for people of
the local community to come together,
to socialise with friends,
meet new people and
enjoy good quality nutritious food for free!
Alongside the cafe Wesley's also has a food
Larder, which stocks good quality produce.*



 @Wesley's Community Cafe & Larder

*•Larder Opening Times
Tuesday - Friday
10:30am - 12 noon
•Cafe Opening Times
Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday
9:30am - 1:30pm*

**Church Road Methodist Church Community Hub
St Alban's Road, St Anne's, Lancashire FY8 3NQ**



A busy morning in Wesley's

WESLEY'S continues to offer support to people in need. It is a sad reflection of the times that there are more and more families coming along that need a bit of support. In one way it is good that they have found Wesley's and the help they can offer, but very sad that working people are finding that everyday living is becoming harder.

Help us to be mindful of those in need of support in our community and remember in our prayers:

People experiencing acute poverty: that they can receive the support they need and be able to find positive ways forwards.

Food banks: that they will receive sufficient food donations, and that they are able to respond to every person who needs their support with sensitivity and kindness. In particular, we pray for the work of Wesley's and all who volunteer there.

Our society: for justice and compassion in political and economic decision-making, so that everyone can be protected from poverty and have the opportunity to flourish.



WESLEY'S COMMUNITY LARDER are always in need of more supplies to enable them to continue offering support for local people in poverty. Items especially required are toiletries, long life milk, cereal, tinned meat and fish.

Please think about slipping a few extra items into your weekly shopping. Items can be dropped off at Wesley's on Monday – Friday mornings or left at the back of church on Sundays.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT



BUMBLEBEES

Bumblebees meet in church on Tuesday mornings during term time, from 9.15 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.

Restarts on Tuesday 10th September

Cost £2.50p for one adult and a child (plus £1 for any extra adult or child). This includes refreshments.

We welcome children aged 0-4years with parent /grandparents or carer. Please note that adults are responsible for their child throughout the session.



Please tell your family and friends about us and invite them to come along. Text Lesley on 07840 924882 if you would like any further information.

Lesley Turner

HARVEST FOR THE WORLD

All babies together, everyone a seed
Half of us are satisfied, half of us in need
Love's bountiful in us, tarnished by our greed
Oh, when will there be a harvest for the world?

A nation planted, so concerned with gain
As the seasons come and go, greater grows the pain
And far too many, feelin' the strain
Oh, when will there be a harvest for the world?

Gather every man, gather every woman
Celebrate your lives, give thanks for your children
Gather everyone, gather all together
Overlookin' none, hopin' life gets better for the world

Dress me up for battle, when all I want is peace
Those of us who pay the price, come home with the least
And nation after nation, turnin' into beasts
Oh, when will there be a harvest for the world?

"Harvest for the World" is a well-known song by the US group, The Isley Brothers, released in 1976. The song carries a powerful message of hope and unity, envisioning a world where everyone can share in the abundance and blessings of the harvest. It speaks to the idea of global peace and equality, urging people to come together and work towards a better future for all.

The lyrics highlight themes of compassion, social justice, and the desire for a world where no one goes hungry or suffers from want. It's a call to action for humanity to strive for a more equitable and harmonious world.

"When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. Leave them for the poor and for the foreigner residing among you. I am the LORD your God."

Leviticus 23, v22

“Time Out is a faith based fellowship group for secondary school aged young people, encouraging them to explore their faith, what it means to them, how it relates to their daily lives and those of the local and worldwide community in which they live”.

Thank you to all those who took the time to visit the Time Out page on the church website to watch the movie trailer based on the young people’s experiences at the Chapel in the Fields and for all the positive feedback you have shared with them.

We were soon being creative again in a different way as we introduced the young people to decoupage art and shared discussions around verses from Romans and 1 John and the meaning of “God is Love”. It was a challenging evening and tapped into some of the many anxieties and uncertainties that our teenagers face. Their openness, honesty and support for each other was a credit to them.

The following session was equally challenging as we considered the relevance of faith today and how best to share the Good News in today’s society amidst the backdrop of social media. Some snappy strap lines and images were created that may yet appear outside church!

Easter quickly followed with a movie night and hot dogs, re-experiencing the familiar Easter story from the perspective of the Roman soldier who guarded Jesus through his final days and resurrection. The often brutal viewing, led to some poignant insights during our post movie reflections.

Pentecost celebrations were thoroughly dampened by thunderstorms so the annual family rounder’s challenge quickly turned into an impromptu art class.



For those of you old enough to remember, it was no Painting with Nancy! However, painting with Sharon brought a few hours of hysteria! Our frantic last-minute preparations had enabled us to actually make a connection between cows and the meaning of Pentecost! Who knew how many times the word cow (not cattle) was mentioned in the bible?!



The following session was somewhat calmer, spent with members of the congregation who had kindly come to share their pilgrim stories with the young people. What a blessing to see them “travelling” and questioning, armed with their scallop shells which they carried as a symbol of their faith “en route”. We are truly indebted to those who gave up their time to share their faith stories and offered their support to our young people in this way. A very special and meaningful

evening for all involved.

The term was then rounded off with a BBQ, the ever-competitive sports and quiz evening. We were blessed with an almost full complement of our regular members, with the addition of some of our university members who joined us and a new member who will be joining us officially from September! Total chaos and total joy!

The term ahead brings many new challenges for our young people as our new member starts secondary school, current members face their final GCSE year and some start 6th form college.



We are delighted that Tess, (one of our long-standing members) has successfully secured a place at the University of York and commences this September. At her discretion we have liaised with her university chaplaincy team to enlist their support as she leaves the regular pastoral care of Church Road. We offer Tess our

thanks for her attendance at church council as Time Out's representative – (*let's hope her instigation of tea and cake at council meetings continues!*)

We ask that you remember Tess in your thoughts and prayers, as well as Sophie, Katie, Fergus and Barnaby as they continue their own university studies. And we also ask that you continue to pray for all of our wonderful young people and their families – what a true blessing they are to us here at Church Road!

**Sharon Hird and Caroline Livesey
TIME OUT LEADERS**

THE CHAPEL IN THE FIELDS

REVD KEVIN “SITS DOWN”

On Sunday 28 July, a number of people from Church Road went over to the Chapel in the Fields near Dunham Massey in Cheshire on the occasion marking the retirement of Revd Kevin Johnson. Kevin was our minister at Church Road from 1999 to 2005 and for the last seven years, has been working with Manchester and Stockport Methodist District on an innovative project to bring a small rural chapel back to life as a place of creativity, spirituality, hospitality and worship. Our Time Out group has enjoyed a number of awaydays at the chapel, which have provided valuable opportunities for our young people to explore their relationship with God through creativity and nature.



Kevin has been the driving force behind the project, which now supports a range of spiritual and practical projects. It's encouraging to know that this work will continue through the new project leader, Vicky Tyrrell, who is full of ideas about how to build on the work and relationships that Kevin has developed.

We wish Kevin and Jane a very well-earned retirement!



DID YOU MISS IT.....?

The Chapel in the Fields recently featured in **SONGS OF PRAISE** on Sunday 25th August. If you didn't see it, you can catch up on BBC i-player with the following link -

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/b006ttc5/songs-of-praise>

The BBC "Songs of Praise" film crew recently spent a day at the Chapel, talking to their dedicated woodworking group, who have found friendship and community as they work together. They also talked in depth to Kevin about his vision for the Chapel in the Fields when it all started. An interesting watch for anyone who knew Kevin.

COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 12th October

10am to 12noon

Pumpkin floral arrangements.

Bring your own pumpkin and flowers and join in making your own.

Please come and support us.





Everyone is welcome to join us for our

HARVEST FESTIVAL

SUNDAY 22 SEPTEMBER AT 10 30 AM

led by Deacon Kim Gabbatiss

to be followed by a simple Ploughman's Lunch.

There will be a collection for All We Can. All We Can helps people in some of the world's poorest communities to become "all that they can".

Envelopes will be available if you want to gift aid your donation.



SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

Sunday 10 November at 10.30 a.m.

led by Ms Christine Pierce



Church Road Winter Market 2024

Don't think you'll make the German markets? Then our very own Winter Market, here at Church Road is the place to be this year! Stalls, brunch, live music and more!

[Save the date Saturday 2nd November 10- 1pm.!](#)

“Snowflakes are one of nature's most fragile things, but just look what they can do when they stick together”

Vista M Kelly.

Preparations are now underway for this church life event - stick with us and help to create a flurry of excitement about this year's major fundraiser!

- **Home produce** – could you make some jam, marmalade, lemon curd, or pickle?
- **Books, jigsaws, games**– do you have any in excellent condition that you no longer use?
- **Cards** – are you a card maker willing to make home - made cards for all occasions?
- **Crafts** – do you knit, crochet, make candles, sew–be part of our quality homemade crafts
- **Jewelry** – do you have any new and used items?
- **Gifts** –do you have any unopened / unused gifts of toiletries, stationary, homeware?
- **Mini Surprises** –do you have any small items that could be used to fill homemade crackers or as “general fillers” eg: mini stationary, travel toiletries, mini games, hair accessories, tape measures, bottle - stoppers etc., let's be creative!
- **Mugs** - do you have any new / unused mugs?
- **Snowflake gifts** – could you make a donation to the bumper winter snowflake hamper – snowflake stationary, snowflake mugs, snowflake biscuits, snowflake jewelry, snowflake socks

We look forward to hearing from you before joining together, wrapped in winter warmth and fellowship on [2nd November 2024!](#)

CONTACT DETAILS: Caroline and Jonathan Livesey: 07989 809 049 / 01253 738039

FREE ENGLISH LESSONS



(English as a second language)

Starting again on **MONDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER**
at the Catholic Parish Centre (63, St Alban's
Road in St Annes FY8 1XD)
Monday afternoons 1p.m. - 2.30p.m.

If interested, or if you know someone who might be, just come along to a lesson or text Lesley for further information on 07840 924882

ALL NATIONALITIES are WELCOME

Relaxed, friendly group - no exams!

We work in small groups -Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced.

Lessons are FREE as the group is run by volunteers.

Please get in touch if you would like to join our team of tutors.

No formal qualification required - just an interest in the English Language, lots of patience(!) and a willingness to meet people from many parts of the world! In recent months our members have included men and women from Ukraine, Brazil, Spain, Malta, Italy, Bangladesh, India, Guinea, Hong Kong, Iraq, Thailand and Libya.

Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Hebrews 13 verses 15 & 16



MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP (MAF)

is a Christian organisation reaching men, women and children in over 25 countries. Operating more than 115 aircraft. MAF's pilots overcome terrain that has become inaccessible due to derelict roads, natural disaster, or violent conflict. MAF aircraft fly into more than 1,000 destinations – transporting food and water, health professionals and medical supplies, and emergency workers and Christian missionaries where they are needed most.

Rev Ken Thom, a United Reformed Church Minister in Essex, has been supporting MAF through his hobby of postcard collecting for over 25 years and has raised over £300,000 through selling unwanted postcards that have been donated. You can also help MAF and its work by donating any unwanted postcards through the box at the rear of Church.



PLEASE REMEMBER

Don't just throw stuff away! We can help others by the simple act of recycling.

OLD SPECTACLES

These can be recycled for re-use by volunteer optometrists offering eye examinations in developing countries.



USED POSTAGE STAMPS

These can be sold to raise money for various charities.



USED OR UNUSED POSTCARDS

These can be sold to raise money for the charity MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship).



Please leave items in the box above the bookcase at the back of the church, for us to pass on for charitable recycling.



CHURCH DIARY

WESLEY'S CAFÉ: Every MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY
9.00 a.m to 2.00 p.m.

ONE FYLDE: Every WEEKDAY 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

BUMBLEBEES: Every TUESDAY, 9.15 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. for 0-4's
with parents and carers. Contact Lesley Turner

MOVEMENT TO MUSIC: Every WEDNESDAY, 9.15am to 10.15am and
10.45am to 11.45am. Contact Monica Bissett

TIME OUT Every THIRD SUNDAY of each month at 7.00 p.m.
An informal faith-based group for young people 12+. Contact Caroline
Livesey or Sharon Hird

ACTIV8 INFORMAL STYLE WORSHIP on the first SUNDAY of each month. at
9.30 a.m. followed by breakfast together

THANK YOU to all those who have contributed to this edition of The
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and to offer other items of interest. Contributions from members of the
congregation are always gratefully received and will help to keep our
magazine relevant and interesting. Please let us know if you have any
special family news or celebrations that you would like to share with our
readers.

Stuart Wrigley, Editor

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