

Last Sunday was 'National Thank You Day'. With that in mind I would like to thank Lucy Lloyd for producing our beautiful notice sheets. They are artistically crafted and the front covers are an inspiration.

The front covers remind us of the joy and delight of this summer season.

The joy of spending time in our local parks and gardens, appreciating the spectrum of colour from the vast variety of plants and having the privilege of seeing such growth around us.

Summer 2021 has provided new windows of opportunity. We are now able to travel in the UK and many tourist attractions have re-opened.

We are also able to go out for Coffee's or meals with family and friends. Things that we once took for granted now seem very special.

In fact we seem to have a greater appreciation of life itself.

This summer our Church buildings are open for Worship, the Covid restrictions are still in place, but this has forced us to be more creative. Churches are sharing more testimonies, have been singing outside and have been using various devices to play a variety of music.

Small groups have resumed, but some are meeting in people's gardens, or at Dobbies or organising walks in the neighbourhood thus appreciating the beauty of our local environment.

Some churches are planning a 'Litter Pick' whilst others are running Children's activities showing they care for our community.

Church members are playing golf, bowls or croquette in local clubs thus mixing with people outside church and forming new friendships.

The Covid restrictions have enabled us to live our Christian faith outside the Church building.

John Wesley said "the world was his parish" really we should be meeting on Sundays to talk about and praise God for what we have seen Him do during the week.

Let's stop hiding in Church and find new ways to engage with our community, sharing our faith in a beautifully natural way.

Every Blessing.

Sonya x



Ainsdale
Methodist Church

Weekly Notices Sunday Worship



11th July 2021

10.45am Service led by Rev Marie-Anne Kent - Parade Service

18th July - Service led by Shirley Potts

Mission Statement

To share locally and globally in the whole Church's purpose of the worship of God and the care of people.

Lectionary Readings 11th July 2021

Amos 7.7-15; Psalm 85.8-13; Ephesians 1.3-14; Mark 6.14-29

Our Circuit Service available every **Sunday from 11am** via the circuit website <https://southportmethodist.org.uk> or on YouTube and can be viewed at any time afterwards <http://southportmethodist.org.uk/sunday-service> You can also dial in and listen **01704 335755** - a local call but check your network charges.



Church Notices

If you have any items you want including in the notices for the next week, please let Lucy Lloyd know by Tuesday on 01704 536648 or lucy@southportmethodist.org.uk.

Prayer

Give us, we pray, gentle God, a mind forgetful of past injury, a will to seek the good of others and a heart of love, that we may learn to live in the way of your Son, Jesus Christ, through whom we pray. Amen.

Thank you

I send my love and thanks to all my friends at AMC who so kindly sent a beautiful bunch of flowers. It brought back many happy memories and was so much appreciated. God bless you all.
Margaret Proctor.



Bible Study

The bible study group will meet at 10.30am in the garden at Ainsdale Methodist Church on Tuesday 13th July - Fellowship. All welcome.



Short Service

Wednesday 14th July at 10am. Will be in the garden weather permitting. All welcome.



Thank you

I would like to thank my Church family for the lovely flowers that were brought to me. They were very much appreciated.
Hilary Jackson.



Coffee after Church

This week coffee after church will begin at 12 noon. All are welcome whether you have attended church or chosen to stay at home. You can join at <https://zoom.us/j/98378045483> or via zoom.us using Meeting ID 98378045483.

Rambling Club

The rambling club based at Liverpool Road has had to cancel the coach trip to Bowness on the 10th July due to the covid restrictions being extended. The trip will now take place on the 31st July. Anybody who would like to join us for a day out to Bowness whether you want to join the walk or just sightsee, the choice will be yours. Please contact Janet on janet.oldham@btopenworld.com or 07743782125.



Prayer Handbook 2021-2022

If you would like a copy of the new Prayer Handbook for the Connexional year starting in September please sign the list in the porch or contact Gill Hemmings (gghemmings@rgvk.co.uk 01704 573210). The cost this year will be £4.50.

