



*Ainsdale Methodist Church*

# **Weekly Notices**

## **Sunday Worship**

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*22nd May 2022*

**No service here joining Liverpool Road at 10.45am -**

**Service led by Rev Patrick Evans**

**6pm - Raising Praise Service at Leyland Road**

**29th May - Service led by Rev Sonya Marshall**

### **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 22nd May 2022

Acts 16.9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21.10,21.22-22.5; John 5.1-9

## Prayer

God of mercy, as we rejoice in the resurrection of your Son, the Bread of Life, feed us with your plenty and increase in us compassion for the hungry; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



## Mid-week Prayers

Wednesdays at 10am. All welcome.



## Raising Praise

The next Raising Praise will be this Sunday 22nd May, 6.00pm at Leyland Road. All welcome!



## 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](mailto:lucy@southportmethodist.org.uk).

## 22nd May

Please note that on Sunday 22nd May we will be joining our friends at Liverpool Road Methodist Church for our morning worship at 10.45am. If you would like a lift to Liverpool Road please speak to one of the stewards. There will be no service at our church.



## Ainsdale Lunch & Leisure

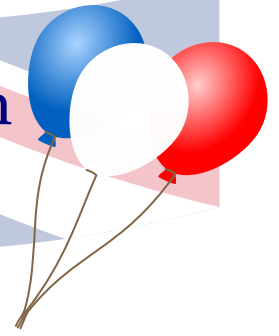
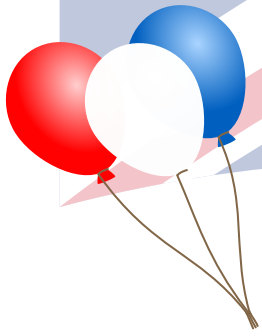
Ainsdale Lunch & Leisure (ALL) are one of the local causes being supported by the Co-op Community Fund until October this year. If you have a Co-op card please consider supporting ALL by choosing ALL on the members page of the Co-op website ([www.coop.co.uk](http://www.coop.co.uk)). Every time you shop your Community Reward points gained alongside your own Reward points will then be awarded to ALL.





# Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Join us on Friday 3rd June to watch the  
Thanksgiving Service from St Paul's Cathedral  
followed by  
Tea, Coffee & Cake in the Garden



## *Ascension Day*

There will be an outside service for Ascension Day at Leyland Road on Thursday 26th May at 2pm on the church lawn. All Welcome.

## *Flowers*

Flowers this week have been kindly donated by Stephen Hardiman in memory of his wife Valerie loved and missed so much.



## *Practical Help for Refugees*

Our CTiA contact for the refugees housed in North Liverpool is requesting donations of suitcases, backpacks and men's clothing. Toiletries are also always wanted. If you can help with any of these items please bring them to church for Brian Davey or Ann Howard who will make sure they get to the right place. Thank you.



Dear Friends

John Wesley's experience of assurance of God's love which he experienced so vividly on 24 May 1738, became the driver of his life, shaping his preaching and demonstrated in his work with poor and needy people.

"In the evening I went very unwillingly to a society in Aldersgate Street, where one was reading Luther's preface to the Epistle to the Romans. About a quarter before nine, while he was describing the change which God works in the heart through faith in Christ, I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation, and an assurance was given me that he had taken away my sins, even mine and saved me from the law of sin and death." (from Wesley's Journal)

Throughout the remainder of his life, Wesley preached that we should consider ourselves as stewards; all we have – mentally, physically and in material wealth comes from God and we will be responsible before God for how we use those gifts.

"... Employ whatever God has entrusted you with, in doing good, all possible good, in every possible kind and degree to the household of faith, to all people! ... Give all ye have, as well as all ye are, a spiritual sacrifice to him who withheld not from you his Son, his only Son ..." (from Wesley's sermon 50: The Use of Money)

Aldersgate Sunday provides an opportunity for us as the people called Methodists to reflect on the difference that a deeper awareness and experience of grace has made for us – to consider the value of the Church to ourselves and the wider community, and how we respond to all that God has given us. Do we live generously? What can we learn from those that have gone before us?

"Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved." Acts 2:46-47 (NRSV)

God bless

Patrick

