



*Ainsdale Methodist Church*

# **Weekly Notices**

# **Sunday Worship**

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*3rd July 2022*

**9am Circuit Service at PPW**

**10.45am Service led by Rev Patrick Evans - CTiA**

**10th July - 10.45am Service led by Tabz - Parade**

**- 6.30pm Circuit Service at Liverpool Road**

## **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 3rd July 2022

Isaiah 66.10-14; Psalm 66.1-9; Galatians 6.(1-6),7-16; Luke 10.1-11,16-20

## Prayer

Servant Lord, grant us both the opportunity and the will to serve you day by day. May all that we do and how we bear each other's burdens be our offering of love and service to the glory of your name. Amen.



## Leaving Service - Phil Robinson

Phil commences his first appointment as a Probationer Minister in September 2022, when he, Jules and Zoe will move to Banbury. At 6.30pm on Sunday 10th July at Liverpool Road Methodist Church there will be a leaving service for Phil where we will celebrate his time with us and pray for Phil and the family. All are 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).

## Mid-week Prayers

Wednesdays at 10am. All welcome.



## Ecumenical Prayer Meeting

7.30am Tuesdays in July at Liverpool Road Methodist Church.



## Books

Many of you will remember Ken Hooton. Over many years as a Local Preacher he built up a large collection of books. The family have offered these to the circuit so that anyone who would like to may have any that are of interest. If you would like to have a browse, the books will be on display in the church at Ainsdale from 9.30am - 2.30pm Monday - Friday until 17th July (access via the Lounge).





*Methodist Women in Britain*  
*Afternoon Tea*

Saturday 16th July at Leyland Road Church  
Coffee Lounge

4pm-6pm

All Welcome!

In aid of The Whitechapel Centre which helps  
homeless people and families.

Suggested donation £5

Please call 01704 536648 to book.

Dietary needs available if arranged when booked.

*Ainsdale Lunch & Leisure*

**Mondays**

10am-11am - Fit 4 Life Class

**Tuesdays**

10am-11am - Ukulele Class

12 noon - Lunch

1pm-3pm - Music for All

2pm-3.30pm - Tai Chi

**Wednesdays**

12 noon - Lunch

1pm-3pm - Games Afternoon (Indoor  
Bowling, Table Tennis)

**Thursdays**

9.45am-10.45am - Gentle Gym Class 1

10.50am -11.50am - Gentle Gym  
Class 2

10am-12noon - Art Class

12noon - Lunch

**Fridays**

10am-12noon - Needlecraft Class

11am-12pm - Forever Fit Class

**Chapel Café** is open Monday,  
Wednesday & Friday - 10am-2pm

For any lunch bookings please call the  
ALL Office.

01704 574838



Dear Friends

I'm part way through the BBC drama "Everything I Know About Love" based on the book by Dolly Alderton. It's about four twenty something girls in a house share in London in 2012, and the often difficult lessons they learn about love. It's definitely a post watershed watch.

In his inaugural address this week to the Methodist Conference, the incoming President, Rev Graham Thompson, chose love as his theme. You can watch it in full at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plqBJDq-4f0&list=PLoWWajT3-\\_P7qSxNh98CPoyw1-yXjpOSX&t=3909s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plqBJDq-4f0&list=PLoWWajT3-_P7qSxNh98CPoyw1-yXjpOSX&t=3909s). He focused on the passage when Jesus is asked which is the greatest commandment.

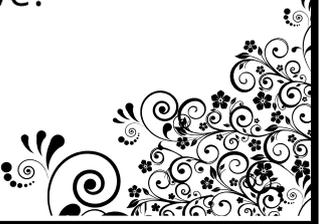
*'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, you shall love your neighbour as yourself.'*

Graham notes that if we are to love our neighbours as much as we love ourselves, there is a prior requirement to love ourselves. Personally I think many of us fall at this first hurdle, without love or compassion for ourselves.

Graham though reminds us that God loves us and created us with the capacity to love and be loved because we are created in God's image - the image of a loving God. And if we are good enough for God, surely we are simply 'good enough'. Good enough to love and be loved and that includes loving ourselves.

Graham says all this because he is aware that it can seem impossible to love oneself if you/we are unwell in mind or body. In such circumstances we can find some consolation in a short phrase to be found in 1 Peter 5, 'The God of all grace mend you'. It reminds us that Jesus can and does take the broken and shattered pieces of our lives and mends them. For, on the cross we see the carpenter at work - forgiving and restoring but, more than anything, mending - mending our broken lives.

Maybe this is everything we need to know about love?



God bless  
Patrick