



Ainsdale Methodist Church

Weekly Notices

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4th June 2023

9am Circuit Communion Service at PPW

10.45am Communion Service led by Rev Patrick Evans

11th June - 10.45am Joint AAW Service with Ainsdale Village Church led by Tabz

- 6.30pm Circuit Service at Liverpool Road Church

Mission Statement

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

Lectioary Readings 4th June 2023

Isaiah 40.12-17,27-31; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13.11-13; Matthew 28.16-20

Prayer

Father God, you have created all things and through Christ revealed your salvation in all the world. Give us a vision of your glory and by your Holy Spirit fill us with life and love that we may praise and serve you through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Bible Study

We'll be continuing Mark's gospel at Chapter 4 on Monday, 5th June, at 7pm in the church lounge.

This is an informal group bringing comments and queries. Everyone is welcome.

CHRISTIANITY|EXPLORED

WHAT'S THE BEST NEWS
YOU'VE EVER HEARD?



Everyone is invited to join this seven session course at Leyland Road beginning on Monday 5th June with a simple lunch at 1230 (shared with visitors to Welcome Space) and then the group session will run from 1pm-2.30pm. The final session will be Monday 17th July.

If you would like to book onto the course please email Lucy on lucy@southportmethodist.org.uk or ring 01704 536648 (leave a message). If you would like to just come for 1pm and not have lunch beforehand that's ok.

Flowers

Our flowers this week have been kindly donated by Keith & Rhian Boardman in memory of Nora Jones, mother of Rhian & Rhydwn.

Mid-week Prayers

Wednesdays at 10am. All welcome.

Ainsdale Lunch & Leisure

Mondays

10am-11am - Fit 4 Life Class
12 noon - Lunch
1pm-3pm - Games afternoon which includes Cards, Dominoes, Jigsaws, Bingo, Quiz.

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-12 noon - Art Class
12 noon - Lunch

Fridays

10am-12noon - Needlecraft Class
11am-12pm - Forever Fit Class
12 noon - Lunch
12.45pm-1.45pm - Singing for All

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

For any lunch bookings please call the ALL Office.
01704 574838

Circuit Choir

As you may be aware there is a circuit service on 18th June and so we are getting together a circuit choir for the occasion. The rehearsals will be on Tuesday 6th and 13th from 2.00-3.00 at Ainsdale Methodist Church when we will learn two or three items to contribute to the service. If you are interested in joining could you please let me know on cerimusic@hotmail.co.uk.

With best wishes Ceri Williams.

Church Council

The next Church Council meeting will be held at 10.45am on Wednesday 21st June in the Church. All are invited to join the meeting and take part in the discussions, although only Church Council members are able to vote on any matters that may arise.

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



Dear Friends

In our schools, colleges and universities the exam season is in full swing.

I think most of us are happy to have exams and academia behind us. For those who have returned to education in later life, it takes time and much effort to get back into the learning methodology for gaining formal qualifications...never again many will say. Having said that however, as the saying goes, "everyday is a school day". We are however, life time learners, as well as teachers.

You may disagree with that last sentence, although for us as Christians this is especially so. Think of the the "Great Commission" that Jesus gave to his disciples.

Then Jesus came to the disciples and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

(Matthew Ch 28 vs 18-20)

A disciple is defined as "a pupil or follower of any teacher or school." A true disciple is not just a student or a learner, but a follower: one who applies what they have learned. A Christian disciple, a follower of Jesus such as you and I, will ask, "what would Jesus do?". To answer this we draw upon what we have learnt as a pupil of Jesus. In the gospels Jesus was the teacher, until, as in the passage above, Jesus gave his disciples (which includes you and I), the authority to teach. This we may do in a formal manner, or informally through our very way of being, in the way we live our lives which others observe.

The good news is there is no exam for us as students, or OFSTED inspections as teachers. Rather we have a triune of support through the grace of Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

God bless

Patrick

