## Ainsdale Methodist Church Weekly Notices

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9th June 2024

**10.45am** AAW Joint Service with AVC led by Tabz **6.30pm** Circuit Service at Liverpool Road Church farewell to Rev Dr Sheryl Anderson Chair of District

16th June - 10.45am Service led by Rev Martin Abrams

## **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 9th June 2024

1 Samuel 8:4-11,(12-15),16-20, (11:14-15); Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4.13-5.1; Mark 3.20-35

Prayer

God, faithful and true, you call every generation to make a pilgrim journey. Guide our feet along the road of faith, that we may put our whole trust in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Bible Study

The next session will be in the Lounge on Monday, 10 June, 7-8.30pm, when we will be continuing from Acts chapter 4 verse 23. We will meet again in a fortnight on 24 June. Everyone is welcome.

Don't forget - Coffee Morning 15th June

Please do join us for this coffee morning 10.00 - 11.30am where the Circuit Leadership Team will be asking us to consider the way forward for Methodism in Southport & Formby.

Tea, Coffee & Bacon Barms will be available

Mid-week Prayers

Wednesdays at 10am. All welcome.

Church Motices

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



Howers

Our flowers this week have been kindly donated by Mrs Doreen Goulding in memory of her mother who would have been 100 on 17th June and in celebration of her own 75th Birthday on 9th June!

> You are invited to the Liverpool District MWiB Summer Gathering Wednesday 19th June 2024 11am Drinks on arrival - 11.30am Start - 3pm Conclusion WWIB Emmanuel Methodist/UR Church 38 Derby Street, Ormskirk

## Dear Friends

Below is an extract from The King's speech on D-Day, I invite you to read it prayerfully. Whilst it was written for the Second World War, how continuously relevant are its expressions to many conflicts in the world since, including this that continue to rage. What strikes you about the tone and the calling of the petiole within our national?

"Four years ago, our Nation and Empire stood alone against an overwhelming enemy, with our backs to the wall. Tested as never before in our history, in God's providence we survived that test; the spirit of the people, resolute, dedicated, burned like a bright flame, lit surely from those unseen fires which nothing can quench.

That we may be worthily matched with this new summons of destiny, I desire solemnly to call my people to prayer and dedication. We are not unmindful of our own shortcomings, past and present. We shall ask not that God may do our will, but that we may be enabled to do the will of God: and we dare to believe that God has used our Nation and Empire as an instrument for fulfilling his high purpose.

I hope that throughout the present crisis of the liberation of Europe there may be offered up earnest, continuous and widespread prayer. We who remain in this land can most effectively enter into the sufferings of subjugated Europe by prayer, whereby we can fortify the determination of our sailors, soldiers and airmen who go forth to set the captives free.

At this historic moment surely not one of us is too busy, too young or too old to play a part in a nationwide, perchance a worldwide, vigil of prayer as the great crusade sets forth. If from every place of worship, from home and factory, from men and women of all ages and many races and occupations, our intercessions rise, then, please God, both now and in a future not remote, the predictions of an ancient Psalm may be fulfilled: "The Lord will give strength unto his people: the Lord will give his people the blessing of peace."

God bless

Patrick