



Ainsdale Methodist Church

Weekly Notices

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7th July 2024

9am Circuit Communion Service at PPW

10.30am CTiA Tent Service on the Green

14th July - 10.45am Joint AAW Service with AVC led by Nigel Mawdsley

- 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 7th July 2024

2 Samuel 5:1-5,9-10; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 12.2-10; Mark 6.1-13

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.

Bible Study

The next session will be in the Lounge on Monday, 15 July, 7-8.30pm, when we will be looking at Acts chapter 8.

Everyone is welcome.



Property Matters

Dripping Tap? Light Not Working? If you notice any issues with the church buildings/grounds please report these to the Caretaker (email: amc-caretaker@southportmethodist.org.uk or to any of the Stewards and we will ensure they are followed up.

Mid-week Prayers

Wednesdays at 10am. All welcome.

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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.



Ainsdale Lunch and Leisure



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday

Guitar Lessons: 10.00 - 12.00

Fit 4 Life: 10.00 - 11.00

Gardening Club: 10.00 - 11.00

Monday Social: 13.00 - 15.00

Family History: 13.00 - 15.00

Technology Support: 13.00 - 15.00

NB. Family History & Technology Support are
One-To-One Sessions. Advance booking essential.

Tuesday

Ukulele: 10.00 - 12.00

Tai-Chi (Chair based): 11.00 - 12.00

Music for All: 13.00 - 15.00

Tai-Chi: 14.00 - 15.30

Wednesday

Indoor Bowls: 13.00 - 15.00

Table Tennis: 13.00 - 15.00

Thursday

Art & Craft: 10.00 - 12.00

Vital Motion: 9.45 - 10.45
(Chair-Based)

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Friday

Needlecraft: 10.00 - 12.00

Singing for All: 12.45 - 13.45

FREE TASTER SESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR ALL ACTIVITIES



LUNCHEON CLUB

Operates Monday to Friday

Eat With Us Here at 12.00 noon

Home Deliveries Arrive Between 12.00 - 13.00

Please book in advance. Menu updated weekly, see website.



COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Monday to Friday: 10.00 until 14.00



CHARITY SHOP

Monday to Thursday: 10.00 until 14.00

Dear Friends

Last Saturday saw the installation of the new President and Vice-President of the Methodist Church for the forthcoming year. You will have seen the President, Rev Helen Cameron, offer prayers at the funeral service of Queen Elizabeth II and the coronation of King Charles III. Helen is also Chair of the Northampton District and the Nottingham and Derby District, Moderator of the Free Churches Group and President of Churches Together in England. The Vice President, Mrs Carolyn Godfrey, is the District Safeguarding Officer covering both the Darlington and Newcastle Districts and a local preacher.

In her Conference address, Helen invited the Methodist Church to listen to the lived experience of those who experience poverty and learn from marginal communities about what needs to change so that all can flourish.

I believe we should listen for the call of God and look for the gift of God in the needs of the world, and find the courage to embrace the risks that this looking and listening and learning can bring. I believe that the foundation to us becoming justice seeking disciples is that firstly we offer truthful witness to "what is".

She warned against the Church abandoning those who experience poverty because to do so would be "to abandon the gospel".

We are called to be salt and light, to hold together the personal and social gospel, re-weaving the places where we live, not as aid or service providers, but living "alongsiders", as Jenny Sinclair puts it. The Spirit of God is moving among us longing to connect and re-connect us in an act of resistance to the fragmentation of society we are witnesses to. Our prayer must be:

*Come Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful people,
and kindle in us, the fire of your love. Amen.*

In her address to the Conference, Carolyn spoke about the call to us all to learn and challenge our thinking. She encouraged us to start by making small changes that would build together into a wave of transformation in the church as it seeks to "Learn to do right, seek justice and defend the oppressed".

God bless

Patrick