



# 14th September 2025

10.45am Joint Parade & Harvest Service with AVC led by Rev Patrick Evans6.30pm Circuit Service at Liverpool Road Church

**21st Sept -** 9am Circuit Communion Service at PPW

- 10.45am Service led by Clifford Hill

Image: Luke 15.1-10

#### **Mission Statement**

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

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### Lectionary Readings 14th September 2025

Exodus 32.7-14; Psalm 51.1-10; 1 Timothy 1.12-17; Luke 15.1-10

#### Prayer

God our Redeemer, who called your Church to witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us so to proclaim the good news of your love that all who hear it may be reconciled to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Bible Study

Our next meeting is Monday, 22nd September, in the church lounge, to look at Philippians Chapter 2.

We will continue fortnightly on a Monday from 7 to 8.30pm. Everyone is welcome!

# Mid-week Prayers

Wednesdays at 10am. All welcome.

# Houghton Weavers

Friday 19th September 2025 7.30pm at Leyland Road Church! Tickets £16 available from the Church office at Leyland Road. Cash only. Or you can purchase the tickets online at www.houghtonweavers.com.

#### Church Notices

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

### Ecumenical Prayer Meeting

7.30am Tuesdays in September at St Patrick's Church.

#### Ainsdale Lunch & Leisure



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.



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Any enquiries or bookings please call the ALL office 01704 574838.



# Our new Superintendent Minister Christopher Humble introduces himself...

I was born in Middlesbrough, to Methodist parents with a Methodist heritage going back to the time of John Wesley. I was brought up in the sea-side town of Saltburn-by-the-sea on the Yorkshire coast which predominantly welcomed day trippers from Teesside. From sixth form college I went to the University of Lancaster to read History but switched to eventually emerge with a degree in Religious Studies. Whilst at University I was jointly confirmed into the Church of England and the Methodist Church and began the journey towards becoming a local preacher. I sensed a call to ministry and tested this out by taking on a role as a Lay Worker at a city centre church in Exeter. From there I candidated for the ministry and was sent to Lincoln Theological College to train alongside Anglican ordinands' and completed a further degree in Theology. I have since then served in the following circuits:- Leeds (Headingley), Amersham, Grimsby & Cleethorpes (where I served as superintendent), York and latterly West Durham, as superintendent. These appointments have been diverse in terms of city centre, rural, small town and urban contexts.

For more than forty years I have had the enrichment of ecumenical encounter in my life and ministry. At various times I have served as Synod Secretary, Presbyteral Synod Secretary, District Ecumenical Officer, member of the District Leadership Team and Secretary of the District Policy Committee.

I am married to Judith, who has a passion for fairtrade, has worked as a nanny and who also has strong ecumenical links. I have three grown up children, Abigail lives in Rochdale and is getting married to Liam next year, Naomi is currently in Grimsby having completed a degree and post-grad in Sports Science & Nutrition and Joe is in the army serving as a PT Instructor with the Royal Corps of Signals in Blandford. I try to keep in contact with my wider family of cousins which is quite extensive.

I gave up my season ticket at Middlesbrough some time ago! but maintain an interest in football. I enjoy listening to classical music and have sung in various choirs over the years.

We will be coming to Southport with our dog Noah who is a rescue dog. He is a lurcher aged 2. He looks forward to exploring the coast.

We look forward to sharing in ministry alongside you as we share in worship and mission.

Christopher