# Burnley & Pendle Methodist Circuit Newsletter

Tuesday 7th March 2023

#### **Prayer**

A prayer for International Women's Day (8<sup>th</sup> March) by the Revd Dr Barbara Glasson

We do not ask for strength, we have strength we pray for resolve to use our strength for good.

We do not ask for courage, we have courage we pray for resilience to rise above defeats.

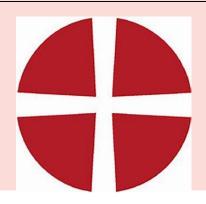
We do not ask for acceptance, we are acceptable we pray for persistence to demand equality for all.

We do not ask for a voice, we have voices we pray for determination to speak love's truth to power. Amen.

#### **Prayer Points**

#### Please pray for:

- For the Holy Land as Gaza and the West Bank experience the worst violence in years. That there may be the true peace that can only come when it is built on a foundation of justice.
- For International Women's Day on Wednesday, that there may be equity where all have the resources and opportunities they need for life, especially that there may be equity in pay where in the UK more women than men are paid below the real living wage.
- That the UK may be compassionate to those who seek refuge and asylum, that there may be an expansion of safe and legal routes of entry for those escaping persecution.
- For Andrew Turner (a former superintendent in the Pendle Circuit) and Anthony (his son) and Briony (his granddaughter) following the death of Susie Turner.

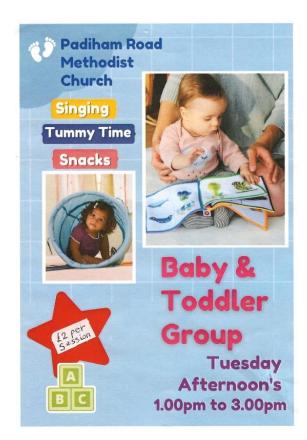


#### Circuit & Church events this week

#### **Wheatley Lane Church**

Baroque in the North:Baroque & Beyond Winter Whispers on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March (2:30-4:30pm) a family friendly concert in church.

#### **Padiham Road Church**



#### **Circuit Family News**

Sad news that Susie Turner, wife of Andrew Turner who is a former Superintendent of the Pendle Circuit, died peacefully on Friday 3rd March after a short illness. Susie's funeral is this Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 12.20pm at Accrington Crematorium followed by a Thanksgiving service at Haslingden Methodist church at 1.15pm. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

## **Saturday Prayer Breakfast**

We are looking for churches to host the monthly 8am Saturday morning prayer breakfast on the following dates: 5<sup>th</sup> August, 7th October, 4th November, 2nd December & 6th January 2024.

Please contact Kath (<u>kathheyworth@hotmail.co.uk</u>) if your church is willing to host one of these prayer breakfasts. Thank you.

## **Circuit Job Vacancy**

#### Young People's Worker

The Burnley and Pendle
Methodist Circuit are seeking to
employ a Young People's Worker
to work across a number of our
Churches and Schools, to
encourage and develop the
Christian Faith of young people
between the ages of 10 – 13 years.



The post is initially for 12 months for 20 hours per week, to be worked flexibly across a four-week period.

The current salary will be £10.90 per hour, but there is some flexibility on this depending on the applicant's knowledge and experience.

For a full job description and person specification, and application form, please contact Claire Slack, Circuit Communication and Information Coordinator on 07752278664, or email her on circuitoffice@2101methodists.org

Closing date 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023



### **Circuit Holy Week reflections**

During Holy Week there will be daily short reflections on zoom by Rick, Tony and Richard. These will be at 7pm on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April inclusive plus at 10am on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April Holy Saturday. These reflections will be recorded and placed on the Circuit YouTube and the logging on details will be available soon.

## Local Preachers' Recognition Service held last Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March at Wheatley Lane church

A truly wonderful and inspiring service with first class singing. Grateful thanks to lan Wheeler for his excellent sermon and to everyone who took part in this special service.

Congratulations to Kath Heyworth on being recognised as one of Mr Wesley's preachers. The service can be viewed on the below link <a href="https://youtu.be/OQszu3h5PQY">https://youtu.be/OQszu3h5PQY</a>



Congratulations to Christine Barnes, Barbara Cole, Greg Eldon, Bea Foster, Ian Wheeler and David Hartley on receiving their long service local preaching certificates. They have served as local preachers in the circuit for just over 250 years in total.



## Fairtrade Fortnight 27th February- 12th March

We are currently halfway through the 2023 Fairtrade Fortnight which is aimed at spreading a simple message: 'making the small switch to Fairtrade supports producers in protecting the future of some of our most-loved and the planet. For further information <a href="https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/get-involved/current-campaigns/fairtrade-fortnight/">https://www.fairtrade.org.uk/get-involved/current-campaigns/fairtrade-fortnight/</a>

Is your church using fairtrade products?

#### **District News**



#### Clitheroe Methodist Circuit

Requires

## An Administrator

Based at Trinity Methodist Church and Community Hub, Clitheroe.

We are seeking to appoint a skilled administrator

to facilitate the work of the 5 churches in this Circuit and the communities they serve in the Ribble Valley. This will be a permanent post.

Working Hours: 12 hours/week over 2/3 days by agreement

Closing Date: 12 noon Monday 27th March 2023

Interviews: Monday 17th April 2023

Start date: May 2023

Starting Salary: £13/hr (pro rata - for 12 hours per week £8,112 pa)

The post will be offered subject to an enhanced DBS check and satisfactory references.

To receive an application pack and further details, please email: tinahailstonecmc@outlook.com

For an informal chat about the post (no agencies) please contact Superintendent Minister Rev Ian Humphreys on 01200 443489

#### **Church Facebook Pages**

A number of our churches in the Circuit have Facebook pages which includes up to date events going on in their church. Why not take a look? ......

Barley - Barley Chapel | Facebook

Briercliffe Road - Briercliffe Road Church | Burnley | Facebook

Central - Central Methodist Church Burnley | Burnley | Facebook

Padiham Road - <u>Padiham Road Methodist</u> <u>Church | Burnley | Facebook</u>

St Andrews - St. Andrew's Methodist Church | Barnoldswick | Facebook

St Johns - <u>St Johns Methodist Church |</u> <u>Facebook</u>

St Peters - St Peters Methodist Earby | Facebook

Southfield - Southfield Methodist Chapel | Nelson | Facebook

Wheatley Lane - Wheatley Lane Methodist Church | Facebook

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The next newsletter will be published on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Please forward any contributions to me before 5pm on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Claire Slack, Circuit's Communication & Information Coordinator - 07752278664 circuitoffice@2101methodists.org