



BURNLEY & PENDLE CIRCUIT THE METHODIST CHURCH

God's grace in love and action

Newsletter Tuesday 9th April – Monday 22nd April 2024

Prayer time

What a friend we have in Jesus – all our sins and griefs to bear, what a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer...

We offer to our most blessed Saviour our utmost concerns, our joys and our sorrows.

We praise God because of who and what He is, and ask that He will guide and inspire us, even challenge us in these times when so many people are suffering in body, mind and spirit. We pray for those parts of the world at war, in conflict; and as peace talks continue may a satisfactory resolution will be reached. We pray for all relief and aid agencies as they sacrificially work for the benefit of those in need – and remember especially those aid workers who lost their lives last week – Lord we pray for their families that they will feel your love and your strength as they come to terms with their loss.

We praise you Lord because fresh in our minds are the events of the first Good Friday, when Jesus died for us but hallelujah for RESURRECTION SUNDAY which gives us a purpose and a hope.

Lord we pray that all people shall have HOPE – a fervent hope that will encourage everyone to stand firm in their faith and in so doing be a blessing to others.

We thank you Lord for the Methodist Circuit, for all the churches within it, for willing workers who dedicate their lives to serving you – and in this regard we thank you for our Brother Ken Hare – recently 'called home' but leaving a legacy of love and care and commitment.

Circuit Events in the next fortnight

Circuit Messy Church on Friday 19th April at Padiham Road, 3.30pm – 5.30pm.

Friday Club on Friday 19th April at St John's/The Exchange Project in Colne, 6.30pm – 8pm (See poster below)

'A Spring Celebration' Methodist Heritage Event on Saturday 20th April at St John's/The Exchange Project in Colne at 11.30am (see poster below). The timetable for this event is:

11.30 Exhibition on Colne churches & Mary Taft (nee Barritt) plus hot drinks available.

11.35 Welcome & dedication of Mary Taft plaque

11.45 Lunch

12.30 WALK or TALK. Join the Colne Town Trail walk or stay inside for a talk on the Town Trail

Circuit Evening Service on Sunday 21st April at 6pm at St Andrew's led by Revd Tony Graff

Church Event in the next fortnight

Wheatley Lane Youth Fellowship Reunion on Saturday 20th April at 7pm at Fence Village Hall.

Future Circuit Events

Circuit Messy Church on Friday 26th April at Brierfield Methodist Church, 4-6pm

Circuit Messy church on Friday 3rd May at Christ Church, 4-6pm

Be with his family Lord that they may find peace and comfort with each other but especially with you.

During these times of dissatisfaction, we pray for our community, our county, and our country and for all people in authority that you will grant them wisdom. Grant us wisdom too Lord, especially when it comes to voting day for the Local Elections and in due course for the General Election. Jesus gets my X every time!

Amen

Message from Revd Rick Ormrod

Dear Friends,

Some of you may be aware that just before our official withdrawal from Stationing a potential match was made by the Connexional Stationing Panel between our Circuit and Rev Adrian Perry.

Adrian visited our Circuit last Friday and the Circuit Invitations Committee invited him to come to our Circuit from September 2024.

I am delighted to tell you that Adrian has accepted our invitation and will be joining us in September.

Please pray for Adrian as he prepares to move and join our Circuit.

Yours in Christ.

Rick

Thy Kingdom Come (TKC) 2024 9th – 19th May

'Don't be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.' (NIV)

'Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns', (The Message)
Philippians 4:6



Are you going to participate in TKC 2024? Free prayer journals are available for people in churches to use during the TKC period including the opportunity to pray daily for 5 people to come to know Jesus. Also, free tealights with a Bible verse are available for churches to give out to members of their weekly outreach groups. Please check that your church has ordered these free items from Claire. NB: Limited numbers of items so don't miss out.

Circuit TKC Ascension Day Service on 9th May at Brunshaw at 7.30pm led by Richard Hoyle

Circuit TKC Pentecost Evening Service on 19th May at Wheatley Lane at 6pm led by Revd Rick Ormrod

Future Church Events

Friday Night is Music Night with South Pennine Singers at Padiham Road on Friday 26th April at 6.30pm (see poster below).

Circuit Easter Holiday Club



Thanks to all the children and volunteers who came to the Easter Holiday Club. A good time was had by all and it was great to see the children learn more about the Easter Story and God's love for them. They raised £117.00 for Derian House Children's Hospice. Date for your diary - Circuit Summer Holiday Club Monday 19th – Wednesday 21st August 2024 10am – 12noon.

St. Peter's is having an open day on the 13th April 10 am – 12noon to prepare for the closure. A number of items are currently available so please contact Anthony (07596469548) if you know of a potential home for them. Items are : Microwave, Kettle, tablecloths, crockery, flower vases, Organ, small mirror on stand, small display cabinet, numerous items for children including books and art equipment, small wooden tables, pool table, 3 vacuum cleaners, 2 stand chairs, TV stand, bookcase on casters, baptism font, flower stand, prayer tree, small lectern, pulpit, communion rail, kneeler x 2 small, Altar, piano, wooden coat hooks, white large cross on wall.

Childrens Clothes – Recycle Drop In at Wheatley Lane Church on Thursday 13th & Friday 14th June, 2-4pm and Saturday 15th June 10-12noon. Cakes & coffee available too.

Brierfield Food Bank



Our Warm Space transferred to Thursday Mornings between 10am and 11am when breakfasts, snacks and hot drinks are all available without charge. Our Foodbank runs each Thursday from 11am - 12.30, still offering FREE CAFE where our range of self-chosen food items, hygiene and cleaning products are available. Recently due to a Winter Essentials grant we have been providing new duvets, covers, portable fan heaters, hot water bottles, tin openers, throws, socks and hats. Regular surveys with our visitors have shown what they really need - not necessarily what we think they need! Our numbers attending are steadily increasing, but support is rising accordingly. We thank everyone for their prayers that we can continue to provide for those struggling to meet the rising costs incurred with daily life.

[The next newsletter will be on Tuesday 23rd April 2024.](#)

[Please note this will cover 2 weeks from Tuesday 23rd April to Monday 6th May 2024.](#)
[Please forward any contributions to me before 5pm on Monday 22nd April 2024.](#)

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Posters

Age 5 - 11 £1 per child

Friday Club

At The Exchange Project
(St John's Methodist Church, Colne)

Dates 19th April
10th May
7th June

Time 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm

**Games
Group Activities
Stories and much more!**

Please use the side Entrance



Circuit Methodist Heritage A Spring's Celebration

Saturday 20th April 2024
11.30am - 1.30pm

at
The Exchange Project/St John's Methodist Church,
Colne, BB8 0RY

Short talks on Mary Taft (nee Barritt) and the Colne Heritage Trail with display.
A guided walk of Colne's Town Trail.
Exact timings of activities available on the Burnley and Pendle Methodist Circuit website in April.
Light refreshments and hot drinks available.

All welcome.

Donations towards costs.



FRIDAY NIGHT IS MUSIC NIGHT

with the
**SOUTH PENNINE
SINGERS**

Friday 26th April
6.30pm

Padiham Road Methodist Church
Tickets £5.00

**CIRCUIT MESSY CHURCH AT
PADIHAM ROAD METHODIST CHURCH**

Messy Church

**COME AND JOIN US
CRAFTS, STORIES, SONGS, FOOD & FUN!**

**Friday 19th April
3:30pm-5:30pm**

All children must be accompanied by an adult



Children's Clothes Recycle drop-in

at
Wheatley Lane
Methodist Church

Thurs 13th June 2-4pm
Fri 14th June 2-4pm
Sat 15th June 10-12noon

Cakes & coffee available too

Why buy new when there's good clothes that someone can't use but you can.
(Small donations accepted).



Children's clothes (including school, scout & guide uniforms etc.) can be donated after Easter to Elaine or Kath
email: egreenall150@gmail.com
kathheyworth@hotmail.co.uk