



*Liverpool Road
Methodist Church*

Weekly Notices

Sunday Worship

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*Mothering Sunday
19th March 2023*

10.45am Service led by Rev Peter Hughes - Guild & Communion

6.30pm Fellowship Time CANCELLED

**26th March - 10.45am Service led by Andy Trimble
- 6pm Raising Praise at Leyland Road Church**

Mission Statement

Liverpool Road Methodist Church exists to proclaim the Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the people of Birkdale and beyond can come to know God and grow in his love.

Lectioary Readings 19th March 2023

1 Samuel 16.1-13; Psalm 23; Ephesians 5.8-14; John 9.1-41

Prayer

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth: strengthen us each day, that in joy and sorrow we may know your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Bible Study

Mondays 7pm in the New Room.



Easter Link

Contributions wanted before Friday 24th March. Please email j.lloyd816@btinternet.com
Thank you.



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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.

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Thursdays 9.15am. All welcome.



Guild

The next Guild meeting will be on Tuesday 21st March at 7.30pm in the New Room. Lent Studies.



Exploring the Inner Life

A short lent course at Victoria Centre, Sussex road. Wednesdays 22nd & 29th March. 7.30pm
Led by Rev Graham Turner.
All Welcome.



Birkdale Prayer Meeting

Due to the cancellation on the 13th March this meeting will now take place on Monday 27th March 10am at the station masters house next to Birkdale station.

Raising Praise

The next Raising Praise will be
Sunday 26th March, 6.00pm at
Leyland Road.



Flowers

Our flowers this week have been
kindly donated by Joan Farnorth in
memory of Stan.



Lent Taketime

Thursdays at Leyland Road Church
3pm-4pm. Concluding on 30th
March.

A chance to relax, hear a story, feel
close to Jesus, have a drink and a
biscuit with time to share if you
wish.

All welcome.

Food Pantry

Thank you so much for your
continuing support to supply
goods for the food pantry.
In short supply at the moment are:
mushy peas, tinned spaghetti
hoops, toilet roll, baby food and
tinned meatballs.



Ecumenical Prayer Meeting

7.30am Tuesdays in March at
Leyland Road Church.



Russell Road Clothes Bank

In need of children's coat hangers
and nappies. If you can help to
supply please contact Keith
Chambers on 07933 641771.



Tea/ Coffee

Tea/coffee will be served in the
schoolrooms after Sunday
morning worship.



Dear Friends

The Trustees of the Southport Area Schools Worker Trust (SASWT) have written to churches across the town to inform them that out of their £60,000 annual budget, they have a £20,000 shortfall from September 2023.

Across the year the Trust meet with 70% of primary and 100% of secondary school pupils (totalling 6400 children). This is through leading assemblies, running workshops, holding school yard drop-ins, after-school clubs and much much more. In an age of ever-increasing need, with escalating mental health and wellbeing concerns, there is a demand to expand their work locally. Schools are constantly requesting more than the Trust can deliver. The Trust feel a burden to expand and meet the local needs on behalf of, and in partnership with churches and Christians across the town. To fully meet this demand the Trust have calculated they would need an annual income of £135,000 to fully seize the demand of schools and bring Christian hope to young people in our community.

For us as Methodists, the invitation from the Trust is to support and partner with them as a Circuit, local churches and/or individuals. Support at a Circuit level will be considered at the June Circuit Meeting following consultation between the Circuit Leadership Team and the Trust. In the meantime local churches and individuals can support the Trust directly. To find out more about what the Trust do, please see the SASWT booklet attached to this email. If you would like a hard copy of the booklet please contact Margaret Sadler in the Circuit Office (01704 264775 or admin@southportmethodist.org.uk).

You can personally experience the work of the Trust. During Lent they host Mission Impossible at Scarisbrick New Road Baptist Church with many schools sending children in years 4-6. The Trust are hosting a public session starting at 11am on Saturday 25th March, and finishing at 12.30pm. Places are limited so booking is essential at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mission-impossible-2023-family-experience-tickets-574485330087. If bringing children they must be aged 8+ and accompanied by an adult.

God bless

Patrick

