



*Liverpool Road
Methodist Church*

Weekly Notices

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2nd July 2023

9am Circuit Communion Service at PPW

10.45am Service led by Andy Trimble

6.30pm Service led by Craig Horan

9th July - 10.45am AAW Service led by Tabz

- 6.30pm Circuit Service

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.

Lectionary Readings 2nd July 2023

Jeremiah 28.5-9; Psalm 89.1-4,15-18; Romans 6.12-23; Matthew 10.40-42

Prayer

God of all power and truth and grace, you call your Church to love and praise.

Inspire us with zeal for your gospel, and grant us boldness to proclaim your word, that we and all the world may praise your name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Jona

Thursdays 9.15am. All welcome.

Bible Study

Mondays 7pm in the New Room.

General Church Meeting

Our annual General Church Meeting will follow the morning service on Sunday 16th July. We will have a faith lunch after church followed by the meeting starting at 1pm.

Russell Road Clothes Bank

2nd Monday of the month 1pm-2.30pm.

In need of girls summer dresses and tops aged 4-7yrs and summer clothing for boys aged 4-7yrs. If you can help to supply please contact Keith Chambers on 07933 641771.

Digging Deeper

First Wednesday of the month 10.30am Leyland Road Church Lounge
Next session

**July 5th - Arguments for and against 'Same Sex' Marriage in Church.
Speaker Rev Marie-Anne Kent.**

Food Pantry

Thank you so much for your continuing support to supply goods for the food pantry.

In short supply at the moment are: toilet rolls, shower gels, soap and shampoo.

Facets

Coffee Morning Tuesday 4th July 10am-11.30am.

Everyone Welcome.

Birkdale Prayer Meeting

The next Birkdale Churches Prayer meeting will be held on Monday 3rd July at the station masters house in Birkdale Village starting at 10am.

Flowers

Our flowers this week have been kindly donated by Hilary & Brian Barrass.

District MWF Summer Gathering

Friday 18th August at West Kirby Methodist Church, Wirral. The event begins with coffee/tea at 11.30 am and will finish at 3pm.

Take your own packed lunch, but all drinks will be provided free!

The Rev'd Dr Christine Jones (a former minister in the District, prominent member of the Iona Community and a guest at King Charles' coronation) has eagerly accepted our invitation to speak to us. No-one needs to pre-book.

There is room for everyone who comes and EVERYONE will be made welcome.

Ecumenical Prayer Meeting

7.30am Tuesdays in July at Leyland Road Methodist Church.

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.



Dear Friends

The Revd Gill Newton has been inducted as President of the Methodist Conference. The induction took place on Saturday 24 June during the Methodist Conference. The role of President of the Methodist Conference is reserved for presbyters and that of Vice-President for lay people or deacons. During his lifetime John Wesley chaired the Methodist Conference but after his death, the Conference determined to elect a President annually.

Gill is a lifelong Methodist, raised in Cornwall, with experience in circuit ministry and has served as the Sheffield District Chair since 2014. In her Conference address, Gill reflected on her theme for the year, calling on all Methodists to look for 'Hidden Treasures'. She said: "It's my hope that during this year I will discover hidden treasures as I spend time with the Methodist people across the Connexion and that I might encourage others to discover the treasure that God has hidden for them."

The Vice-President, Deacon Kerry Scarlett, was also inducted. Kerry has been a Deacon since 2008, having previously worked for the Methodist Church in Ireland's Children and Youth Department. Kerry is part of the Learning Network, aligned to the Birmingham District. As a Deacon, she has a passion for justice, community organising, and seeking to enable and amplify the voices of others. She founded Adavu, which supports survivors of human trafficking and was involved in the development of the West Midlands Anti-Slavery Network for practitioners.

In her address to the Conference on the shared Presidential theme of 'Hidden Treasures', Kerry called for: "The Methodist Church in Britain, to re-discover our treasures, both old and new. We need to seek the courage to understand who we are, as a church, and what God is calling us to be. We are also called to seek outwards, beyond the walls of our established churches, to the communities around us, where God is also at work, amongst God's beloved people there. To find out the glimmers of where God is, in the unexpected people and places where transformation is taking place."

God bless

Patrick

