



*Liverpool Road
Methodist Church*

Weekly Notices

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24th March 2024 - Palm

10.30am CTiB Service at St Peter's Church (or 9.45am at St James' Church if you wish to take part in a Palm Sunday procession to St Peter's Church)

6pm Raising Praise at Leyland Road Church

Maundy Thursday - 9.15am Service led by Rev Patrick Evans

Good Friday - 10.30am at St Johns Church

31st March - 10.45am Easter Communion Service led by Rev Patrick Evans

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 24th March 2024

Isaiah 50.4-9a; Psalm 118.1-2,19-29; Philippians 2.5-11; Mark 11.1-11

Prayer

Eternal God, in your tender love towards the human race you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ to take our flesh and to suffer death upon a cross. Grant that we may follow the example of his great humility, and share in the glory of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Thursdays 9.15am. All welcome..

Bible Study

Bible study will take its Easter break until the 8th April.

Facets

Facets finishes for the spring term on 26th March.
The first coffee morning will be on Tuesday 7th May 10am-11.30am and will continue on the first Tuesday of every month.

Enrolment for the winter term will be announced shortly.

2024 Ecumenical Study Course & Discussion

Digging Deeper - A Journey Through the Psalms

First Wednesday of the month 10.30am - 11.30am (coffee from 10am)

Leyland Road Church Lounge

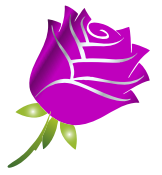
Next Session Apr 3rd Psalm 8 - Fr Chris Thomas

Birkdale Prayer Meeting

The next Birkdale Churches Prayer meeting will be held on Monday 8th April here in the Chancel starting at 10.30am. All are welcome.



Flowers



Our flowers this week have been kindly donated by
Brenda Taylor.

Please help us to decorate our cross on Easter Sunday by
bringing a flower.

Coffee Morning & Plant Sale

Saturday 6th April 10.00am-12.30pm
Ainsdale Methodist Church

A coffee morning and plant sale will be held on Saturday
6th April to raise funds towards the church redevelopment
and the gardening club to maintain the church gardens.
Come along enjoy some coffee and cake, have a chat and
look around the garden now spring is here.

Food Pantry

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

In need at the moment: Easter Confectionery.

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

So what is consuming your energy and attention at the moment? Perhaps you are a carer or supporting someone in need in some way, or you are the one being cared for; maybe the busyness of work is consuming you; you may have very practical issues, such as financial concerns or coping with day to day living; relationships may be strained or in need of reconciliation which may or may not appear realistic. We all come with a myriad of concerns.

As part of the 150th Anniversary of Formby Methodist Church I've just attended a fantastic concert including Voiceworks choir from Formby High School. As I was walking towards the church I was wondering where God was going to be within the evening.

The first song was "What I was made for"

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dpnTd9Dx2OM>). It reminded me that Jesus sometimes struggled with his calling, although ultimately, he knew what he had been made for. As he said himself, "the hour has come". We all have a calling, and as the Methodist Covenant Prayer reminds "some are easy, others are difficult". Jesus understands the difficulty in accepting a calling; he is with you in your calling.

Next came "Actions speak louder than words"

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GCtpeYiezm0>). For Jesus, whilst we read and listen to the words gifted to us in the bible for Holy Week, first and foremost it is our understanding of what he did for us upon the cross, rather than what he said to us. Be assured, that in your efforts to care, your actions are the most precious commodity you have, especially when all the words have been said.

Finally, they sang "I'll be there for you"

(https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iQp1_GfDhwQ). Jesus came to reconcile us to God, he came to be there for you. And so sometimes all we can do is be there for one another, holding each other in love and prayer. In so doing, in whatever you face, be assured this Holy Week, that Jesus is there for you.

God bless

Patrick