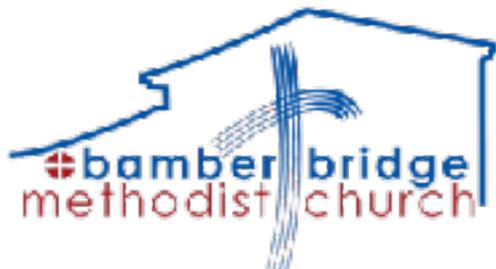


THE WEEKLY NOTICES

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This week's services

Sunday at 1030 **Morning service**

Thursday at 1115 **Communion service**

Notices

Please send notices to Luke Bosman no later than 1700 on **Wednesday** for inclusion in the next edition. Items which are received later will be included as time permits.

notices@bamberbridgemethodist.church
07500 709710

Should anyone wish to help with the notices, even if only once in a blue moon, offers of help will be gratefully received!

Karen's sabbatical

Karen is now on sabbatical until Monday, 14th March 2022.

First contact steward: Desley Jefferson
t: 01772 207887 e: jefferson24@sky.com

Church secretary: Tony Andrews
t: 01772 697480 e: ta.sec@mypostoffice.co.uk

If you require a Methodist minister please contact Revd Jane Wild
t: 01772 715134 e: jane.wild@methodist.org

Thursday Communion Service

The circuit plan has February's service on the fourth Thursday in February led by Rev Janet Titterton. The service is actually on the third Thursday of February and will be led by Rev Barbara Pettit.

This month's service takes place this coming Thursday at 1115.

Coronavirus Update

The government's latest advice is that masks should be worn in most indoor settings. It is therefore requested that masks are worn for the whole service on Sunday and not just for singing, unless you have a medical exemption.

Young People Living With Pain

A meeting for young people living with pain will take place at the church's Wellness Café from 1030–1130 on Wednesday 26th January. It is open to anyone who is living with pain to come and meet others with similar lived experiences. No referral is necessary.

Although we wouldn't turn anyone away who turns up on the day we ask that people please use the Eventbrite link <<https://bit.ly/bbmcPain2022>> to book so that we can monitor numbers and ensure that we have set out a big enough space so that people can social distance.

Thursday Fellowship

Thursday Fellowship will start again on Thursday, 17th February at 1400. All are very welcome (ladies and gentlemen). Why not come along for a cuppa and a chat?

If you would like to know more please see Lesley Ross.

February Prayer Diary

I will be starting preparation for February's Prayer Diary next week. Have you any issues, concerns or happy times like a birthday or anniversary that you would like me to include in it? If so, please let me have the details [including dates where applicable] by **tomorrow**, Monday 16th January.

God bless and take care,

Eric Chatburn <chatburn@talktalk.net>

Leprosy Mission

Very grateful thanks to you all for your donations, prayers, stamps and post cards given over many years. Thank you to those who are continuing to use the 'ASK' prayer book 2022 and have set up Direct Debits in support of their valuable life transforming work. £982.10 is the final donation I have banked last month.

God bless you all Sally Wilson

A Short History Of The Organs Of Bamber Bridge

To mark the bicentenary of Methodism in Bamber Bridge, a small booklet outlining a brief history of the pipe and digital organs installed in the Churches has been produced by Ron Sumner, our current organist. The cost is £2 and the proceeds will go to the Church. A small supply has been produced and has already nearly sold out. Future supplies will be printed as and when required to order. If you would like a copy, please speak to Ron, or send a text or email to 07984 861565 or ronsumner@blueyonder.co.uk.

Churches Together Morning Prayers

A monthly prayer meeting has started up. It takes place from 0800-0815 on the dates below and is followed by tea and toast at various churches:

- 2nd February Browndedge St Mary's
- 2nd March (venue to be confirmed)
- 6th April Bamber Bridge

Pastoral Care

As we have lost a number of pastoral visitors and it is getting difficult to manage the current practice of pastoral care for our church community, we are currently reviewing how we have worked and alternative models we could consider. I hope to let you know more in the coming weeks. If you have any thoughts or comments please let Linda Trafford (01772 339931) or Marlene Yates know as soon as possible.

Coffee And Chat For People On Mental Health Medication

The next Lancashire NHS Coffee and Chat for People on Mental Health Medication in Lancashire will be held online on Thursday, 27th January from 1030-1200. This group is for those who are prescribed mental health medication to talk about how they feel and learn new things to support their wellbeing which will work alongside their current prescription. It is led by people who have similar lived experience (more information about this can be found using the link below) and will be delivered via MS Teams.

The group is still in its early stages so we are in the process of finding out from those who attend what they would like to see from the group moving forward. If you have been prescribed long term mental health medication and are looking for other ways to support your wellbeing then this is the group for you. Please visit <<https://bit.ly/cpetCoffee2022>> to find out more and register for a place in order to receive the link for the session.

Please note this is not an anti-medication group nor will we be advocating reducing off your medication without the knowledge and support of your GP.

If you do have any questions about this group please either contact Lucy Jones at <lucy.jones2@lscft.nhs.uk> or Dawn at <makingmentalhealthpositive@gmail.com>.

Forthcoming Events

* Denotes a weekly event.

† Denotes a fortnightly event.

Until 14th March

Karen's sabbatical

Wednesday, 19th January

0900-1200 Wellness café*

Thursday, 20th January

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1115 Communion service (on the
third Thursday of every
month)

1815-1945 Lighthouse Group*

Thursday, 27th January

1330-1500 Craft club†

Wednesday, 2nd February

0800 Churches Together Morning
Prayers at Brownedge
St. Mary's

Thursday, 17th February

1400 Thursday Fellowship

Audio Recordings Of Services

Audio recordings of morning services can be downloaded from most podcast providers or from the church website at <http://bamberbridgemethodist.church/podcasts.php>. Ask Luke Bosman or one of the stewards if you require a copy in an alternative format.

Loop System

The church has a loop system for hearing aid users. If you experience difficulty hearing the service, please let the sound desk operator know as soon as possible— it's sometimes easier to remedy problems during a service than to discuss them afterwards.

