

THE WEEKLY NOTICES

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This week's services

Sunday at 1030 **Morning 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.

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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!

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Offerings

We can accept your offerings by cash, by card, by envelope or by standing order. Please contact a steward for further details.

3Generate 2022

We're really excited to announce that this year's Children and Youth Assembly will be back at the NEC in Birmingham and it will take place from Friday, 30th September to Sunday, 2nd October.

For more information about this year's event and booking information please go to <https://bit.ly/3GenLancs2022>

As part of supporting group leaders and those working with young people who are considering taking a group to 3Generate this year, there are four meetings being held via Zoom for those in the Lancashire District to come together in preparation and to support each other. Each takes place at 1930 on a Tuesday:

17th May; 14th June; 19th July; 13th September

The monthly meetings are an opportunity for anyone considering bringing a group of young people from within one of the Methodist Churches in the Lancashire District to this year's 3Generate weekend. The meetings are an opportunity to come together to pray, to find out more, meet other group leaders and spend some time together in support of children's and youth ministry. It is an ideal opportunity for anyone for anyone who is a bit unsure about bringing a group and also for those who have regularly been to 3Generate with young people last year and in previous years too.

The meetings on Zoom can be accessed using the following link and passcode

<https://bit.ly/3GenLancs2022Zoom>

Meeting ID: 836 7043 2826; Passcode: 984305

For further information please contact Simon Skidmore Children's Youth and Family Worker at families@wpmc.co.uk

General Church Meeting

The General Church Meeting was previously planned for Wednesday, 4th May 2022. It will now be held after the Morning Service on Sunday, 19th June 2022.

Olive Branch At Central M.C.

We enjoyed fellowship with Kingsfold last Sunday and took our shop to them: there was an encouraging amount of interest and support and they are considering inviting us back at particular times. We need to do some restocking— yay!— so if you are interested in inviting us to share in your service and bring our shop one Sunday, please let me know.

e: ruthmhopkins@aol.com

Ascension Day Service

There will be an Ascension Day service at 1900 on Thursday, 26th May at Fulwood Methodist Church.

Cash Collection

The church now has access to a card reader and this should be available most Sundays. There's no need to scramble around the house looking for your offering, just bring a card and make a contactless donation for the amount of your choice.

This is not available for those who are part of the envelope scheme.

June Sphere

Just a quick reminder that there is still time to submit something for the June Sphere.

Ideally, I would like inputs by **tomorrow** Monday, 9th, but a slip of a couple of days is ok if it helps with your timetable.

I'm sure that there is some good news to be shared or words of inspiration.

You can give them to me any Sunday at church or email them to me at chatburn@talktalk.net. I am sure there are some stories of inspiration just waiting to be told and it would be great to hear about the work of all the various church groups.

Dates for HBC 2022 at Hope Methodist, New Longton

Sunday 24th July to Sunday 31st July
Mornings till 12.45 ish

Can you help during the week?
Please contact Alison on alisonwallwork@talktalk.net
or 611389 or by text on 07817 940 898



Eric Chatburn, Sphere editor

Covid Best Practice

It is now appropriate that we follow the current Government guidelines in relation to attendance at services. There is no legal requirement for those testing positive for COVID 19 to self-isolate but it would be sensible that you do so. When attending a service there is no requirement to wear a face mask but many will still be more comfortable in doing so. Likewise, please respect the wishes of those who choose to sit at a distance from other members of the congregation. We are still advised that good hygiene practices should be followed— hand sanitiser will be available and we will continue to ventilate the Worship Area.

Tony Andrews, Church Council Secretary

Carpet Cleaning

The church carpets downstairs were professionally cleaned on Tuesday. Many thanks are due to the Wellness community cafe who have paid the bill for this. If activities such as painting or play dough are used, please put something down to protect the carpet.

Sunday Audio-Visual Desk

From September we will have insufficient AV operators to ensure our Sunday morning services can provide on screen display every week.

Our preachers have come to expect this facility and often put in hours of preparation to provide engaging content.

Can you help?

The service is already prepared for showing, but we do need a person at the desk to move on the display.

This would suit someone with limited IT skills, possibly familiar with, or wanting to become familiar with Powerpoint. A young person could use this as an opportunity to develop computer presentation skills, or someone older may already have these skills. We will be happy to provide any training you need!

If you think this might be of interest have an informal chat with Don Roscoe.

Plant Swap

The Wellness Community Cafe at Bamber Bridge Methodist Church are holding a Plant Swap on 11th and 12th May between 0900 and 1200. If you have grown too many plants and would like to swap them with others who have done the same why not come along and join us. Reasonably priced brews and snacks available.

Any questions please contact Denise Johnson on 07719200451 or email djpastoral@outlook.com

Forthcoming Events

* Denotes a weekly event.

† Denotes a fortnightly event.

Wednesday, 11th May

0900–1200 Wellness Community Café*
with Plant swap

Thursday, 12th May

0900–1200 Wellness Community Café*
with plant swap

1815–1945 Lighthouse Group*

Tuesday, 10th May

1030–1200 Bamber Bridge Book Worms

Wednesday, 11th and Thursday, 12th May

0900–1200 Plant Swap

Thursday, 19th May

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

1200 Lunch †

1330–1500 Craft club †

Thursday, 26th May

1900 Ascension Day service at
Fulwood MC

Thursday, 2nd June

1115 Midweek service (on the first
Thursday of every
month)

Friday, 3rd June

1400 Thank you from Paul Davis at
523, Blackpool Road, Ashton

Friday, 17th June

1230 Wedding of Ben Riley and
Jason McMahon at
Fulwood MC

Sunday, 19th June

1200 General Church Meeting

Audio Recordings Of Services

Audio recordings of morning services can be downloaded from most podcast providers or from the church website at <http://bamberbridgethodist.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.

