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NEWS FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Davenport Methodist Church

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We are inviting donations for a video screen

- ★ A video screen would improve the visibility of PowerPoints and video clips, which are becoming more popular amongst preachers.
- ★ A 100 inch screen (approx. 7.25 foot x 4 foot) with cabling and installation would cost about £4,000.
- ★ We are inviting donations towards the costs.
- ★ A chart of 400 'pixels' is on display in the porch. Each pixel represents £10 towards the cost of the screen.
- ★ Donations of any value will be gratefully received, by the treasurer, or the stewards.
- ★ Please give generously.
- ★ Thank you.

★ Leadership Team
20/09/2024

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Edgeley Community Church

Two new cafes have opened up at Edgeley Community Church with great success.

Café D will be open each Tuesday from 10am until 2pm, a Dementia Café but open to everyone!

Chatty Café will be open each Thursday from 10am until 2pm.

Although cafes are only serving toast, tea-cakes and hot drinks the aim is to offer more once established.

Marple Methodist Church



A magnificent £600 was raised at the recent coffee morning held to raise vital funds for Macmillan .

Romiley Methodist Church

OUR ANNUAL MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION was held on Saturday, 14th September, with layouts in the Hall and Annexe, and displays of paintings (for sale) and dioramas in the quietness of the Church. This is always an exhibition where children are encouraged to come and have a go at running some of the layouts, and a day where ALL the proceeds (including the donations on entry, and the payments for refreshments and paintings) go to the Action for Children charity. It was a very busy day, with lots of youngsters and adults, and a wonderful total of **£2,000 was raised for Action for Children**. Next year's Model Railway Exhibition at Romiley will be on Saturday, 13th September, 2025, starting at 10.30 – make a note of it now!



BRONZE ECO AWARD ACHIEVED: We were pleased to obtain this reward recently, after a lot of hard work and form-filling!

Circuit

On a Saturday evening in September a group of young people from across the circuit enjoyed an evening of bowling and pizza. Everyone had a great time and hopefully it was the beginning of some great friendships. The next children's and young people event is 3Gen and we have a small group of young people from the circuit who will be attending. Do think of them in your prayers over the weekend of 4th-6th October.



UPCOMING EVENTS FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Davenport Methodist Church

Join us for a "Soup & Sweet" lunch, November 2nd 12-1.30pm £5

Heaton Mersey Methodist Church



HARVEST ART GALLERY
HEATON MERSEY
METHODIST CHURCH

SATURDAY
5TH
OCTOBER

2-6pm

An exhibition of various art forms from the local community to celebrate harvest.

Monetary donations welcome towards upgrading doors and windows.
Food donations for the food bank.

Heaton Moor United Church

Coffee Morning on Saturday 12th October raising funds for Lebone Village in South Africa. Join us from 10:30 until 12:00 - refreshments, cakes, raffle and toy stall.

MARPLE METHODIST CHURCH

The next Bereavement Group will be starting in the next couple of months. If you would like to attend please contact Deacon Jude - judith.laycock@methodist.org.uk

HEATON MOOR UNITED CHURCH

STOCKPORT SCHOOLS BRASS BAND

SATURDAY

12TH

OCTOBER

AT 19:00

Raising funds to support the band and church charities

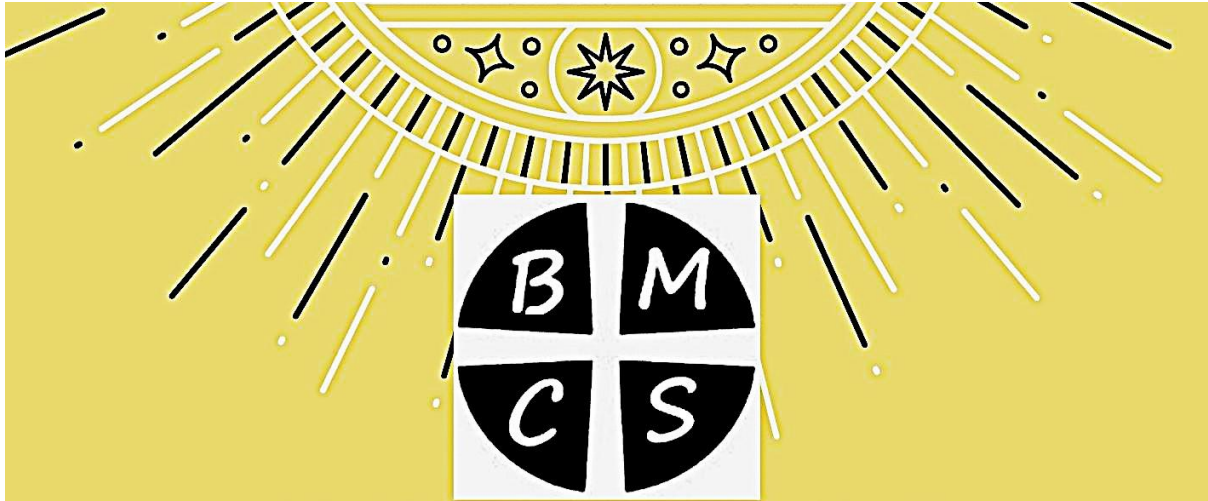
Adults £5

Children £1

Heaton Moor United Church

Stanley Road, SK4 4HL

www.heatonmoorunitedchurch.org.uk



**BRITISH METHODIST
CHORAL SOCIETY**

'BORN IN SONG' A WINTER CHORAL CELEBRATION

An evening of choral music to warm the soul on a winter's night from both the sacred and secular. Music from Fauré, Handel, Stainer, Goodall and more alongside popular medleys from hit musicals West Side Story and Les Misérables.

**SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER | 7PM
MARPLE METHODIST CHURCH, SK6 7AY**

Tickets £7



Tickets can be purchased on the door.
For more information, contact: admin@bmyc.info



Romiley Methodist Church

Bible Study Series for Autumn 2024: "The Shack"

Online and At Romiley Methodist Church

If you haven't come along to our bible study/fellowship groups before, this autumn might be a great time to start.

We are going to use the book and film of "The Shack" by Wm Paul Young. This will help us to explore themes such as what we believe about God and what is important in life.

We meet on Monday evenings on zoom and Tuesday mornings at Romiley Methodist Church (in the annex) and both meetings include people from different churches and would really welcome more people to join the conversation. We aim to have good discussion and it is absolutely fine to discover that we think and believe differently about things.

If you fancy joining us, it will probably be helpful to have read the book or watched the film, but it is not essential. No one is expected to have deep bible knowledge, we all just share where we are and enrich one another.

You can mix and match between zoom and in-person meetings as well – we discuss the same content but because there are different people, the conversations are often quite different.

Zoom Meetings

Dates will be: 9th September, 23rd September, 14th October, 28th October, 11th November, 25th November, 9th December

We start at 7:30pm and aim to finish by 9pm

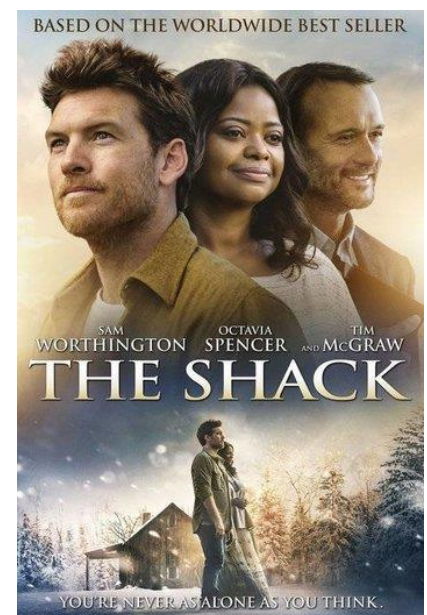
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In-person Meetings

Dates will be: 17th September, 1st October, 15th October, 29th October, 19th November, 3rd December, 17th December

We will gather from 10:30am with the aim of being finished by around midday.



Romiley Methodist Church

“TREADING THE TOW” is the title of this year’s annual October photographic presentation by Christine Birchall – on **Saturday, 5th October at 2 p.m.** in the Church, when Christine will take us through the Cheshire countryside along the towpath of the northern part of the Trent and Mersey Canal, passing through a variety of landscapes, from farming and pastoral to mining and industrial. If you’ve seen any of Christine’s previous photographic presentations, you’ll know what a joy they are to watch and listen to, so please come along. Entry is by donation, and we serve tea, coffee, and cakes during the interval.

“MUSIC FOR PLEASURE” in October also features Christine, whose programme this month is entitled **“Up in the Clouds”** and is all about the weather, in music, words, and photographs. That’s on **Thursday, 17th October**, at 2 p.m. in the Church

“WESTERN APPROACHES” is the title of the famous film produced in 1944 by the Crown Film Unit – their first in Technicolor. It’s a fictional account of 22 British Merchant Navy sailors adrift in a lifeboat in the dangerous North Atlantic, and was designed to boost the morale of the Merchant Navy at the time, using real sailors to re-enact their roles. You have a rare chance to see this film in a restored Blu-ray edition on **Monday, 21st October, starting at 7.30 p.m. in the Church.** Open to all, with refreshments afterwards!

The Ridge Methodist Church

Sing Out on the 30th October 7-8pm

Woodley Methodist Church

Discover Life According to Jesus @ Woodley Methodist Church

Got questions about God, the world and you?

The 321 course invites you to see life the way Jesus does. Over the course of 4 sessions, Glen Scrivener presents Jesus' vision for life through interactive videos that help us better understand God, the world and ourselves.

The course considers God's Three-ness, the world's two-ness and your one-ness. Each session begins with a thoughtful question followed by stunning storytelling and compelling commentary.

Begin 321 here. Engage in thoughtful conversation as part of a small group hosted in a friendly environment. Interact with the videos and then share your thoughts and experiences with other.

You are warmly invited to join our first 321 Course at Woodley Methodist Church from 7pm to 8:30pm on Sundays October 20th, November 3rd, November 17th and December 8th.

Please contact Katie for more information. (kaite.smith@methodist.org.uk)





**WOODLEY METHODIST CHURCH
CHRISTMAS FAIR**

SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2024

10.00am to 2.00pm

ENTRANCE FREE
(Donations gratefully accepted)

**Lots of Christmas Stalls, Tombola, Super
Raffle & Father Christmas.**

**Entertainment by Stars Dance Academy and
Rob Howard (Stockport Accordion Club) and
of course**

Our Famous Christmas Café



Heartbeat Chorus



Autumn Concert

By the award-winning local choir

in aid of church funds



Windlehurst Methodist Church

Friday 18th October

at 7.30 pm

Admission by Ticket only

Price £7

Refreshments & Raffle



For tickets contact Helen Stocks: 07818260446
(helenstocks@btinternet.com)

REGULAR ACTIVITIES FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Davenport Methodist Church



Craft Club.

1st Wednesday of every month 14.00 - 16.00.

£3.00 per session includes refreshments.

An opportunity to learn a new skill, or share a skill you already have.

Come along to a session to find out more.

Thursday Drop In

Every Thursday 2pm -4pm everyone welcome.

We meet inside, if weather permitting we sit outside.

Edgeley Community Church

Craft group (bring your own)

Monday 1-3pm - £3 drink & biscuits

Chatty Cafe

Starting on
Friday 27th Sept
Then every
Friday, 10-12

Times are to be
tried at first with a
view to extend

Serving tea, coffee,
hot chocolate, biscuits,
t-cakes and toast
(Lunch options may be introduced at a later date)

Please come and support us
at Edgeley Community Church,
Edgeley Rd, Stockport, SK3 9NB

Cafe

Starting on
Tuesday 24th Sept
Then every
Tuesday, 10-12

Times are to be
tried at first with a
view to extend

Serving tea, coffee,
hot chocolate, biscuits,
t-cakes and toast
(Lunch options may be introduced at a later date)

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Heaton Mersey Methodist Church

Tuesday afternoons Fellowship

We have a small group who meet every Tuesday afternoon between 2pm and 3pm for Bible study and discussion, followed by a time of prayer from 3.10pm. The group is open to everyone who would like to take part.

Chatterbox and Craft

Chatterbox and Craft meets every Monday (except Bank Holidays). Drop in any time between 1 and 3pm to knit, sew, paint, draw, play music or whatever you would normally do at home alone. Or just come along for a good chat.

Heaton Moor United Church

Dementia Friendly Heatons

Dementia Friendly Heatons takes place every Friday (except August and Christmas!) from 13:30 until 15:30

The group is for those with a dementia diagnosis and their carers. We aim to promote a dementia-friendly community by providing a safe, comfortable, and supportive environment that enables friendly social interaction in a relaxed atmosphere. We are a musical group who enjoy singing and dancing and have a weekly chair exercise class.

If you would like more information on the group please contact JoAnne on 07340 269 354 or dementiafriendlyheatons@gmail.com

Monday Fellowship – fortnightly gatherings of fun and fellowship Monday evenings from 19:45. Our next meeting is the 7th October where we will hear Rev Phil Dew with a talk entitled “My Life - A Minister & Councillor”. Then, on the 21st October we will be joined by the Fiddlers Fancy – Morris Dancing representative to talk to us about morris dancing.

Romiley Methodist Church

Monthly film club on the first Saturday of the month at 2pm.

The entrance fee is by donation and includes tea and cake, extra cushions at your discretion!

Tiviot Dale

Circuit Service first Sunday of each month at Tiviot Dale.

Refreshments from 17:30 and service starting at 18:30

Service on October 6th will be led by the Hong Kong Fellowship Group.

Circuit service on the 3rd November will celebrate Black History Month.

Tiviot Dale continued

Mission Forum

Traditionally as a circuit we held four circuit meetings each year, predominantly these meetings are taken up with the business of the circuit. To ensure mission remains of equal importance we now hold two circuit meetings each year in September and April and hold two mission forums each year.

We encourage all members of the circuit meeting to attend the mission forums, but they are also open to the wider circuit and aim to be informative, and sometimes practical, evenings to help with church mission.

The next circuit mission forum will be held on 29th October at Woodley Methodist Church and we will be looking at all things Advent and Christmas!

United Stockport Circuit

CIRCUIT MISSION FORUM

**BUILDING
CHRISTMAS COMMUNITIES**

WORSHIP . WORKSHOPS . FOOD

TUESDAY | 29 | OCT | AT 6 PM

Woodley Methodist Church,
Chapel Street, Woodley SK6 1NF
admin@stockportcircuit.org.uk

Woodley Methodist Church

THRIFT SHOP AND CAFE OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY
9.30am to 12 noon



Who We Are...

We are a group who have always loved playing music and singing together and started Musical Memories in order to create social singing sessions to help bring people of all ages together for the simple pleasure of singing, talking, remembering and enjoying each other's company – not to mention the cuppa and biscuits!

Studies into singing sessions for older people have shown that singing together can boost levels of immunity, reduce stress, and improve mood and memory leading to a positive impact on overall health and well-being

We meet on the last Friday of the month in the Church Hall and we "Welcome those with or without Dementia"

So the Dates for 2024 are:

30th August - **2.00pm til 4.00pm -- in Church Personal Requests**

27th September - **2.00pm til 4.00pm – in Church with Organist Roger Pearce**

25th October - **2.00pm til 4.00pm in Church with RAINBOW**

29th November - **2.00pm til 4.00pm in Church with Organist Roger Pearce**

27th December – **NO MEETING – HAPPY CHRISTMAS!**

If you would like to join us or know more about the group, please go to the Woodley Methodist Church Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/WoodleyMethodists> or telephone Phil on **0161 430 8518**

EXTERNAL NEWS



**NORTH WEST ENGLAND
METHODIST DISTRICT**

The District has a weekly newsletter which you can sign up via the District website. The District website is now live and can be accessed at <https://nwedmethodists.org.uk>. Please contact the District with your feedback - they

would love to know your thoughts! Send feedback to admin@nwedmethodists.org.uk.

Events from across the District

Service of Remembrance for Lives Cut Short

Taking place at **Manchester Cathedral** on **Friday 25th October** at **7.30pm**.

Further details can be found [here](#). or: contact Revd Canon Steve Williams (07757 411 377)

Riding Lights Theatre Company is visiting Wirral Circuit to perform their play, **Cups on a String**.

It will be performed at St Luke's Methodist Church, Wirral, CH47 2BF, on Wednesday 30 October at 7.30pm.

Standard tickets are £15, and concessions are £10.

<https://www.ridinglights.org/cupsonastring>

Each year Christians Against Poverty (CAP) resource hundreds of local churches, to host a free CAP Sunday service. This is a moment congregations can reflect on poverty, its impact in our communities, and explore the difference we can make as God's people in our fight against it.

The official date for CAP Sunday is **Sunday 13th October**, but you're welcome to choose a date that suits you and your church.



Host a Speaker from Christians Against Poverty

If you're interested in hosting a CAP Sunday and would like to arrange for a CAP Speaker to share in your service, please feel free to get in touch or [**fill in this short form**](#).

You can also [**click here**](#) to find all the resources you need to host and publicise your own CAP Sunday event, including free video, sermon and prayer resources.

God bless, Sue Pollard
Supporter Connection Team
Christians Against Poverty
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capuk.org

JOHN LENNOX + KEVIN SORBO

AGAINST *The* TIDE

FINDING GOD IN AN AGE OF SCIENCE

KHARIS PRODUCTIONS for PENSMORE FILMS

**The cinematic story of John Lennox's daring stand
against the rising tide of scepticism about belief in God**



**NOW SHOWING
IN
REGENT CINEMA
MARPLE!**

For details see over...





John Lennox and Hollywood actor Kevin Sorbo examine evidence for the truth of Christianity

Screening at: Regent Cinema, Marple

Sunday 13th October 2024, 5.30pm

www.againstthetidemovie.org

Tickets £5

**Available from your church contact
or Allan Lochhead 07501 207 299**

allan.loch@outlook.com



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