



# Welcome to Market Drayton Methodist Church

## Sunday 1st January 2023

### MORNING SERVICE

10.30AM

LED BY

**Mike Shingler**

### We are really pleased to welcome you today!

- \* If it is your first time with us today, please do make yourself known to one of the church stewards – they will be wearing badges!
- \* There is no Junior church this morning—Children are invited to remain in church for the short service.
- \* A creche is available in the lounge with experienced helpers.
- \* If you would like prayer after the service, please take a seat on the front row and a member of the prayer team will come to you.
- \* There will be no refreshments this morning after this service

### Today's Stewards

Ailie McGoogan  
Colin Barthorpe

### The week ahead

Sunday 1st January	<b>Short Morning Service</b> (No Junior Church)	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>MDMC</b>
	<b>TTAAH (Youth Fellowship)</b> (Yr 8+)	7-8.30pm	41 Hampton Dr
Monday	Bank Holiday Monday		
Tuesday	<b>Men's Fellowship Meal</b>	7pm	Wetherspoons
	<b>A Choired Taste Practice</b>	7.30pm	Hall
Wednesday	<b>VIP Club</b>	2-4pm	Hall
Thursday	<b>Early Morning Prayer Meeting</b>	6.30-7am	MDMC
	<b>Toddlers</b>	9.45-11.15am	Hall
	<b>Toddlers</b>	1.15-2.45pm	Hall
	<b>Zoom Prayer Meeting</b> (details below)	7-7.30pm	Online
Friday	<b>Music &amp; Movement</b>	2-3pm	Hall
Saturday	<b>Art Therapy</b>	10.30am	Lounge
Sunday 8th January	<b>Covenant Service (with Junior Church)</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>MDMC</b>
	<b>Worship @ 6</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>MDMC</b>

*There are NO children's outreach clubs this week*

### REGULAR WORSHIP

#### Sundays in Church

10.30AM

These are livestreamed for church family

#### PRAYER

#### Thursdays in church

6.30-7AM

#### Thursdays on Zoom

7-7.30PM

Meeting ID: 918 5917 6065

Passcode: 438347

### #niteblessing

*May you be able to live in the moment of now. So often, we fear the present because we are not living the lives that we expected. May God help you to live in the life that you have, even when it is not the life that you thought you would have been living*

*Malcolm Duncan*

Please take any non-perishable food, hygiene or cleaning items to the Parish Rooms Tues or Fridays 9-10.30am or drop off at supermarkets, or in the green bucket in the church foyer.



**Life Groups** are an important way of deepening relationships with God and each other, and inviting people to meet Jesus. If you are interested in joining a life group, please speak to Rev Mark

**Items for the notice sheet** to be sent by end of Thursday to Al Savill, notices@mdmc.org.uk. 07966295413

If you are able to receive this weekly publication via email, please let Al know.

# Notices

**BIBLE READING SCHEME:** Some of you will have read in the Messenger about my challenge to read the whole Bible in two years starting in Jan 2023. If you would like the reading scheme, either check out the MDMC website or email me and I will send it to you. carolyn [markcarolyn1983@gmail.com](mailto:markcarolyn1983@gmail.com)

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEAL:** The next Men's Fellowship meal will be on Tuesday 3rd January 2023 at Wetherspoons, MD at 7:30pm. Please let Mike Shingler know if you are coming (01630652555).

**WORSHIP@6: SUNDAY 8TH JANUARY:** Worship@6 returns on 8<sup>th</sup> January when our guest preacher is Rev Anthony Clowes. Having previously been Minister at St Luke's, Hoylake and then at Potters Church in Stoke, Anthony current serves both as Church Planting Officer in the Manchester District of the Methodist Church, and as a Leadership Coach for the Joshua Centre, a joint initiative between Liverpool Cathedral and the Diocese of Liverpool. The Joshua Centre was set up in 2017 to support the start-up and development of new congregations to reach out to new groups of people who are not engaging with more traditional church structures and services. Anthony has preached at MDMC a number of times in the past, having first got to know some of us in the late 1980's at MAYC District Sports events! Do join us for a great evening of worship and to hear more about how God is working through these new congregations.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING @ MDMC:** On Saturday 28th January there will be a Foundation Module 'Creating Safer Space' safeguarding training session held at MDMC from 9.30am-12.30pm.

If you have recently taken up a new role within the church, it may be that you are required to attend this training. There are also some people who have completed the training previously who are now due a refresher. All those required to attend will be notified personally, however if you would like to attend this training, or think your role may require it but you have not received an invitation, please speak to Helen Perry (07972 720686 or email: [hp11141@gmail.com](mailto:hp11141@gmail.com)). Many thanks for your time and commitment to attend this important training.

**AT HANKELOW:** An evening of Praise & Prayer on Friday 6th January, 7pm at Hankelow Church and Community Rooms, Nr Audlem. The theme is 'The Prophetic Psalms'. All welcome to join them.

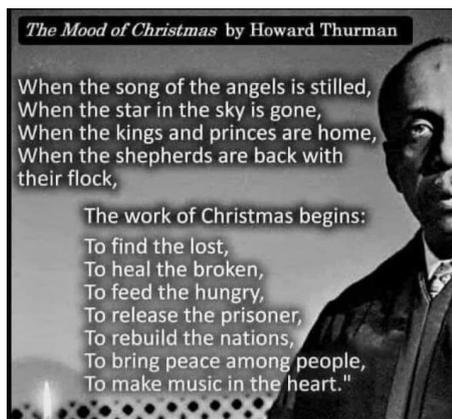
## OPENING PRAYER OF THE METHODIST COVENANT SERVICE

Glory to the Father, the God of love, who created us who continually preserves and sustains us and who has loved us with an everlasting love, and given us the light of the knowledge of his glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Blessed be God forever

Glory to Jesus Christ our Saviour, who, though he was rich, for our sake became poor and was tested in every way and was tested in every way, as we are, yet without sin; who proclaimed the good news of the kingdom, and was obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross; who was raised from the dead and is alive for ever and has opened the kingdom of heaven to all who trust in him; who is seated at God's right hand in glory and will come to be our judge. Blessed be God forever.

Glory to the Holy Spirit the Lord the giver of life by whom we are born into the family of God, and made members of the body of Christ; whose witness confirms us; whose wisdom teaches us, whose power enables us; who will do for us more than we can ask or think.

Blessed be God forever. Amen



## Standing at the portal

Of the opening year,  
Words of comfort meet us,  
Hushing every fear;  
Spoken through the silence  
By our Father's voice,  
Tender, strong and faithful,  
Making us rejoice.

*Onward then, and fear not,  
Children of the day;  
For His Word shall never,  
Never pass away.*

For the year before us,  
O what rich supplies!  
For the poor and needy  
Living streams shall rise;  
For the sad and sinful  
Shall His grace abound;  
For the faint and feeble  
Perfect strength be found.

He will never fail us,  
He will not forsake;  
His eternal cov'nant  
He will never break.  
Resting on His promise,  
What have we to fear?  
God is all-sufficient  
For the coming year.

*Frances Havergal*

## Sunday 8th January

	<b>10.30am</b>
<i>Preacher</i>	<b>Mark Lawrence</b>
<i>Worship Leader</i>	<b>Rachel Faul</b>
<i>Reader</i>	<b>Sandra Barthorpe</b>
<i>Church Stewards</i>	<b>Amy Porter</b>
	<b>Lisa Savill</b>
<i>Welcome stewards</i>	<b>Nikki ap Gruffydd</b>
	<b>Barbara Shingler</b>
<i>Prayer ministry Team</i>	<b>Team D</b>
	<i>Organ</i>
	<b>Al Savill</b>
	<i>Piano</i>
	<b>Matt Baker</b>
	<i>PA</i>
	<b>Will Cooper</b>
	<i>Visuals</i>
	<b>Kat turner</b>
	<i>Creche</i>
	<b>Ros Cooper</b>
<i>Children &amp; youth</i>	<b>Jeannette W, Rob J, Jess S</b>
	<b>Hannah G, Jo C, Jess R</b>
	<b>The Bradeleys</b>
<i>Coffee</i>	<b>?</b>
<i>Flowers</i>	<b>?</b>
<i>Communion</i>	<b>Colin &amp; Sandra Barthorpe</b>