



# Welcome to Market Drayton Methodist Church

**Sunday 20th November 2022**

## MORNING FAMILY SERVICE

10.30AM

LED BY

**Mark Savill**


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## 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

### 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!
- \* This morning's service is a Family service so the children will be staying in church.
- \* A creche is available in the lounge with experienced helpers.
- \* Please join us for refreshments in the hall following the service if you are able.
- \* 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.

### The week ahead

Sunday 20th November	<b>Morning Service,</b> (Family Service)	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>MDMC</b>
	<b>Encounter @ Hinstock Chapel</b>	<b>3pm</b>	<b>Hinstock</b>
	<b>Junior Fellowship</b> (Y4-7)	4.30–6pm	Hall
	<b>TAAH (Youth Fellowship)</b> (Yr 8+)	7-8.30pm	41 Hampton Dr
Monday	<b>CAP Money course</b>	12.30-2.30pm	Lounge
	<b>Stroke Club</b>	2-4pm	Hall
Tuesday	<b>Thinking About the Bible</b>	2.15pm	Lounge
	<b>A Choired Taste—Community Choir</b>	7.30pm	Hall
Wednesday			
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>Ladies Breakout</b>	10am	Lounge
Saturday			
Sunday 27th November	<b>Morning Service,</b> (with Junior Church)	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>MDMC</b>
	<b>Songs of Praise</b>	<b>3.30pm</b>	<b>MDMC</b>

**NO** kids clubs or ukulele clubs this week due to Kev being away on a school residential trip

### #niteblessing

*May you have courage for the journey ahead and be protected from being overwhelmed. You just need to take a step at a time. May you live in grace for the next moment, not for a lifetime and may you have faith to put one foot in front of the other and keep going* *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 Pete Williams.

**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

**MD CIRCUIT MESSENGER MAGAZINE ARTICLES:** Please send your testimonies, good news stories etc, to Aimee Derham (circuit administrator) so we can include them in the upcoming magazine please? The deadline is TODAY. Also, you can send pictures too! Let's fill our magazine with joy and praise to our Lord Jesus and for all He is doing. Aimee's email is circuitadmin@mdmc.org.uk. If you are not on the internet, please give your articles to a steward who will forward to Aimee.

**LADIES BREAKOUT:** The next Ladies Breakout will be on *Friday 25th November* at 10am in the church hall. All women are welcome to come and share fellowship, pray, hear testimony about the goodness of God together. Refreshments will be available.

**THANKSGIVING SERVICE:** If you are able to make sandwiches, cakes, or help to serve tea and coffee after the Thanksgiving service to celebrate the life of Pat Savill on Wednesday 30th November, 3pm, please speak to Gail or sign up on the list in the foyer. Thanks

## Christ The King

Gospel Reading: Luke 23.33-43

Since the death of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, we are getting used to having a King for the first time in over 70 years. Today is traditionally the celebration of Christ the King. So I invite you to reflect on some aspects of the kingship of Jesus inspired by our reading from St. Luke.

Kings of long ago believed that they ruled by divine right. Jesus our King, as we shall see in a few weeks comes by divine action. He comes not to overcome, but in humility to live among us.

A King has the power to offer gifts and to pardon. In Luke 23.43 Jesus gives to the penitent thief forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise." Jesus our King offers forgiveness and a new start to all who sincerely make the request.

If a nation was defeated in War and their King taken prisoner, he would expect to be punished, very probably by being put to death as a sign of the defeat of his people. Jesus goes to the cross not on behalf of a single nation, but for the sake of the whole world. His death is not a sign of defeat, but a sign of our reconciliation to God.

Earthly Kings are by virtue of their humanity limited to a particular time and place. The Kingship of Jesus is eternal. The first couplet of Ivor Jones' hymn expresses it beautifully, 'Christ, our King before creation, life, before all life began'.

As we approach Advent and prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ; remember Christ the King. Our Eternal King. Whose qualities are so different to those of any earthly king. Our King whose exploits, his life, death, resurrection and ascension are as relevant for us as they were for the first Disciples and the early Church.

### A Time of Prayer

Remembering Christ our King, we pray for people in our world who make decisions that affect the lives of many. The leaders of nations, the United Nations. Grant to them wisdom and discernment in the tasks they perform. We pray for our own King Charles and for the Government, devolved administrations in the UK, and British Crown Dependencies.

We pray for the Church throughout the world as we celebrate Christ the King. May all Christians be united in a desire to do Christ's will and determined whenever possible to work together in his name. We pray for our neighbouring churches and for other churches in our Circuit. We pray for the Connexional Team.

We take a time of quiet to make our own prayers. For those we know who are unwell or in any kind of need..... For the needs and aspirations in mission of our local churches.....

We make all our prayers in the name of King Jesus. Amen.

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**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,**  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unceasing, and silent as light,  
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might  
thy justice like mountains high soaring  
above  
thy clouds which are fountains of  
goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small;  
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;  
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,  
and wither and perish; but naught  
changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,  
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
all praise we would render: O help us to see  
'tis only the splendour of light hideth thee.

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,  
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,  
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

*Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)*

## Sunday 27th November

	<b>10.30am</b>
<i>Preacher</i>	<b>Robin Perry</b>
<i>Worship Leader</i>	<b>Ness Savill</b>
<i>Reader</i>	<b>Graham Russell</b>
<i>Church Stewards</i>	<b>Ailie McGoogan</b> <b>Lisa Savill</b>
<i>Welcome stewards</i>	<b>Margaret Baker</b>
<i>Prayer ministry Team</i>	<b>Team C</b>
<i>Organ</i>	<b>Al Savill</b>
<i>Piano</i>	<b>Al Savill</b>
<i>PA</i>	<b>Andrew Cooper</b>
<i>Visuals</i>	<b>Jacob Savill</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>
<i>Coffee</i>	<b>The Richardsons</b>
<i>Flowers</i>	<b>Joan Turnbull</b>