



# Welcome to Market Drayton Methodist Church

**Sunday 26th February 2023**

## MORNING SERVICE

**10.30AM**

LED BY

**Rev Mark Lawrence**

## SONGS OF PRAISE

**3.30PM**

### **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!
- \* Children are invited to Junior Church this morning. They will join the adults in church for the first part of the 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.
- \* Please join us for refreshments in the hall following the service if you are able.

### Today's Stewards

Colin Barthorpe

Amy Porter

### The week ahead

Day	Event	Time	Location
Sunday 26th February	<b>Morning Service</b> (Family Service)	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>MDMC</b>
Monday	<b>Funeral of Margaret Jones</b>	11am	Church
	<b>CAP Money Course</b>	12-3pm	Lounge
	<b>Ukulele Group</b>	4-4.30pm	Hall
	<b>Explosion</b> (5 years old – school year 3)	6 - 7pm	Hall
	<b>Fireworks</b> (years 7+)	7.30–8.45pm	Hall
Tuesday	<b>The Thinking About the Bible Group</b>	2.15pm	Lounge
	<b>A Chaired Taste Practice</b>	7.30pm	Hall
Wednesday	<b>VIP Club</b>	2pm	Lounge
	<b>Church Council</b>	7.30pm	MDMC
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>Fusion</b> (years 4-6)	6 - 7.15pm	Hall
	<b>Ukulele Group</b>	7.30-8pm	Hall
	<b>Zoom Prayer Meeting</b> (details below)	7-7.30pm	Online
Friday			
Saturday			
Sunday 5th March	<b>Morning Service</b> (with Junior Church)	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>MDMC</b>
	<b>TTAAH (Youth Fellowship)</b> (Yr 8+)	7-8.30pm	41 Hampton Dr

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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

### #niteblessing

May you be able to see hope more clearly. When life has blurred your sense of who you are, and challenges have marred your capacity to keep focussed, may God remind you that you are seen, known and loved. May you be delivered from the need to prove your worth *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

**BABY BANK:** There will be another 'Baby Bank' at MDMC on Thursday 9th March, 9-11 am & 2-4pm. We will NOT be giving away actual babies but you can find pre-loved baby items, clothes, equipment etc that are being given away to be reused by someone else. If you have any good quality items to donate, (clothes only up to age 5) please contact Carolyn (carolynlawrence@capuk.org). Also, if you can help sort clothes and items nearer the time, also please talk to Carolyn.

**COMPASSION COFFEE MORNING:** You're all welcome to a Coffee Morning at Holly Cottage, Lower Road, Hookgate (the Richardson's home) on Saturday 18th March 10:30am - 12:30pm. Raising funds for Pete Williams Charity London Marathon—in Aid of Compassion. Please save the date, any unwanted gifts or crafts would be appreciated to sell. For more information please contact Susan Richardson 07720206900.

**MARGARET JONES:** The funeral of Margaret Jones will take place at MDMC on Monday 27th February at 11am. Margaret regularly attended Church and was a faithful member of Social Hour. There will not be many family members attending and it would be appreciated if a number of her Church family could be present.

**EASTER MORNING BREAKFAST:** You are all invited to share Easter Breakfast together in the church hall at 8.30am on Easter Morning—Sunday 9th April. To attend, we ask that you sign up via the church website [mdmc.org.uk/calendar/](http://mdmc.org.uk/calendar/) by Monday 3rd April. If you don't have internet access, please make your booking via Lisa Savill or one of the stewards.

**COFFEE VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:** We're looking for a volunteer or two who could go on the Sunday morning coffee rota with Anne Gaulton on the third Sunday of every other month starting in March (May, July, Sept etc). It's not a big commitment but it is a very valuable yet a simple way of serving Jesus on a practical level. Please let Al Savill know if you can help

**MARRIAGE COURSE: What is it?** The Marriage Course is a series of seven sessions, designed to help couples invest in their relationship and build a strong marriage. Seven sessions exploring; Strengthen connection, Art of communication, Resolving conflict, Power of forgiveness, Impact of family, good sex, love in action.

**Who is it for?** The Marriage Course is for couples who are seeking to strengthen their relationship. Some couples do the course to intentionally invest in their relationship, others are looking to address more specific challenges. Either way, the course offers essential tools and practical ideas to help you build a relationship that lasts a lifetime. The Marriage Course is based on Christian principles but designed for all couples with or without a church background. Snacks, nibbles and drinks including a glass of champagne on the first and last night will be available.

**When?** The course will start on Wednesday 12th April from 7:30 to 9:30pm and continues each Wednesday until May 24th.

**Where?.** - The Ballroom, Buntingsdale Hall, by kind invitation of the Mackworth family. There is enough room for ten couples. Contact John or Lizzie Bunce on 07868513926 as soon as possible to book your place.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEAL:** The Men's Fellowship meal at Wetherspoons, Tuesday 7th March at 7:30pm. If you are attending, please let Mike Shingler know or phone on 0163065255 by Sunday (5th) evening.

**CHURCH COUNCIL:** Members of the Church Council please note that the next meeting is Wednesday 1st March, 7.30pm at MDMC. Hopefully you have all received an agenda via email—please contact Rev Mark if you still need one.

## LOCAL PREACHERS & WORSHIP

**LEADERS:** There is a Local Preachers & Worship leaders meeting on Monday 6th March, 7:30pm at MDMC.



## Oh, to see the dawn

Of the darkest day:  
Christ on the road to Calvary.  
Tried by sinful men,  
Torn and beaten, then  
Nailed to a cross of wood.

*This, the power of the cross:  
Christ became sin for us,  
Took the blame, bore the wrath:  
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain  
Written on Your face  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin;  
Every bitter thought,  
Every evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

Now the daylight flees,  
Now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.  
Curtain torn in two,  
Dead are raised to life;  
'Finished!' the victory cry.

Oh, to see my name  
Written in the wounds,  
For through Your suffering I am free.  
Death is crushed to death,  
Life is mine to live,  
Won through Your selfless love.

*This, the power of the cross:  
Son of God, slain for us.  
What a love! What a cost!  
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Stuart Townsend & Keith Getty

## Sunday 5th March

	<b>10.30am</b>
<i>Preacher</i>	<b>Mark Lawrence</b>
<i>Worship Leader</i>	<b>Rachel Faul</b>
<i>Reader</i>	
<i>Church Stewards</i>	<b>Ailie McGoogan</b>
	<b>Pete Savill</b>
<i>Welcome stewards</i>	<b>Chris Bradeley</b>
	<b>Nikki ap Gruffydd</b>
<i>Prayer ministry Team</i>	<b>Team D</b>
<i>Organ</i>	<b>Paul Savill</b>
<i>Piano</i>	<b>Paul Savill</b>
<i>PA</i>	<b>Robin Faul</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, Jo C, Jess R</b>
	<b>Sandra Barthorpe</b>
<i>Coffee</i>	
<i>Flowers</i>	
<i>Communion</i>	<b>Alan &amp; Elizabeth Herd</b>