**About us:** We are an Independent Congregational church. This means we are run by our members, not a denomination or bishop. We try and be faithful to God's word, the Bible, in all belief and conduct.

**Christians:** We don't believe people are born Christians; we become one by admitting our sinfulness to God and understanding that Christ's death on the cross was on our behalf. We believe He rose again from the dead as we shall one day.

**Recordings:** Most sermons are recorded and placed on our website: www.MartinTop.org.uk

**Refreshments:** These are available in the upper room at the close of every service.

**Toilets:** We have a toilet inside downstairs (suitable for disabled people) and two outside.

**Babies & Children:** Facilities are available downstairs for changing nappies. Young children are welcome to remain in the meeting or to be taken to the upper room into which the service is relayed via speakers.

**Fire or Evacuation:** Please make your way out through the nearest exit and assemble on the grassed area to the chapel's eastern side.

**Tithes & Offerings**: We take up no offering during morning worship. Those who wish to give financial support may use the offering boxes at the front and rear.

Magazine: We produce a quarterly magazine- please ask for a copy.

**Loop:** People with hearing aids may tune into the service via our Loop System

Questions? Ask one of our members about their faith or this church



## Welcome

We give you an especially warm welcome if you are visiting us today.

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# Week Beginning Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2018

## This week at Martin Top:

Sunday	10:45am, <b>2pm</b> & <b>7pm</b>
	Dr Walter Riggans (Nottingham)
	Fellowship Lunch/Tea/Light Supper
Wed	7.00pm Deacons' Meeting
Thursday	7pm Prayer Meeting
	7.30pm Bible Study: Mark's Gospel
Friday	10-11am Toast & Prayer

Next Lord's Day: 10.45am A, Marsden& 6pm P. Hayden

Happening Elsewhere:

Mon 13 August, 7.30pm, Joyful Noise, Holden Chapel

Tues 21 August, 7.30pm, Holden Fellowship: Paul & Lyn McClachlon

#### **Dates for Diaries & Other News**

Welcome to our 202<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary.

Weather permitting, today, there will be a walk after the afternoon service. Those who opt to spend time in fellowship are free to stay on the premises.

Please submit copy for the September-October- November 2018 magazine to Herbert by the 19<sup>th</sup> August. Thank you.

Friday Light, 24<sup>th</sup> August: all are welcome to meet at Barley Picnic Area, BB12 9JX. Please bring a Picnic Tea. This will be followed by a walk. However, those who do not wish to walk can stay in situ. A brew afterwards will be provided. Please book with Abbie.

September  $21^{\text{st}}$  -  $23^{\text{rd}}$  2018, The Festival of Hope with Franklin Graham at the Winter Gardens, Blackpool. Please invite your friends and neighbours.

'Though I left Martin
Top in 1848 I have
visited my ever dear
and valued
friends...and have
preached to them the
glorious gospel of the
grace of God. May God
give them grace, mercy
and peace, greatly
bless and prosper
them all'.

Rev E.S. Heron, 1870.

### **Scripture:**

Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen, and called its name Ebenezer, saying, "Thus far the Lord has helped us."

1 Samuel 7:12