

**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 do not 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: <https://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 downstairs room.

**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.

[www.martintop.org.uk](http://www.martintop.org.uk)

# Week Beginning Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024

## This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday Services	10.45am Alan Marsden
	6.00pm Alan Marsden (Communion)
Monday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm. Westminster Catechism 7.30pm Midweek Service and Prayer Preacher - Harry Peace
Thursday	11.00am Bible Study – Colossians 12.00pm Afternoon Open Church 6.30 pm. Basic Bible Study 7.45pm Bible Study - Matthew 27 led by Alan Marsden

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Alan Marsden  
6.00pm: Alan Marsden

Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup> Join us for the Fellowship Lunch after the morning service. There is seating for 38 persons. Newcomers, visitors, and guests will be given priority.

Monday March 4<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm – 9.30pm: Joyful Noise at Chatburn Methodist Church. All are welcome.

Please speak to Alan if you would like him to visit you at your own home. Arrangements can also be made to visit him at his home.

Saturday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 8.00pm: Real Lives with Peter and Julie Riisnaes *“Help! – our daughter has cancer.”* Peter and Julie will talk about their daughter’s cancer at the age of 12 yrs and how their trust in Christ upheld them. Watch on [YouTube](#)

Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup> 8.15pm – 9.15pm World Focus. Join for a jargon free, technophobe-friendly exploration into how God is using technology for His glory through the ministry of 100Fold with Ben Griffin. Zoom ID 316 300 9000 Password: GoodNews

Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 12.00pm: Clitheroe Market Outreach. Join Matthew near the big arch entry. Any help would be appreciated.

Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm: Trustees’ Meeting

Thursday March 7<sup>th</sup> 12.00pm – 4.30pm: Afternoon Open Church. The chapel will be open, Alan will be available. Do drop in for a warm drink and a chat.

Armenian Ministries: Unfortunately, the Armenian authorities have brought in new regulations and second-hand items are now banned. All donated items must be new.

Chapel Magazine: The March – May issue is now available. Please take a copy from the front pew.

When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand. And they bowed the knee before Him and mocked Him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!”

Matthew 27:29

There is a significance of the crown of thorns for the church. It reminds us that Christ is a king and that He is victorious even when He seems defeated. He accomplishes a regal task at Calvary and gains for us a royal pardon. In apparent weakness He is the mighty Conqueror of Satan, sin and death, the Overcomer of the world. F.S.Leahy