**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: <a href="https://martintop.org.uk">https://martintop.org.uk</a>

**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.

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## Week Beginning Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup> 2025 This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am	Alan Marsden
Services	3.00pm	Alan Marsden (Hetton Chapel)
	6.00pm	Stephen Jackson
Monday	8.00pm	Book Club (online)
Tuesday	9.00am	Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm	Westminster Catechism
	7.30pm	Midweek Service led by
		Alan Marsden
Thursday	11.00am	Bible Study led by Alan Marsden
	12.00pm	Afternoon Open Church
	6.30pm	Basic Bible Study
Saturday	8.30am	Men's Breakfast
	2.00pm	Saturday Fellowship

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Alan Marsden

6.00pm: Alan Marsden (Communion)

There will be **no** 7.45pm Bible Study this Thursday but please do attend Barnoldswick Gospel Mission BB18 6DD to hear The Christian Institute speak on topics of concern – 'Assisted Suicide', 'Gambling' and 'Conversion Therapy'.

Monday March 31<sup>st</sup> 7.30pm – 9.30pm Joyful Noise at Chatburn Methodist Church. All are welcome.

Saturday Real Lives with Lewis Morgans. Details found <a href="here">here</a>

The Martin Top Lending Library will be available on Sunday this week, on the back pew of the chapel. There is a good variety of books. Do take a look.

Book Club Monday March 31<sup>st</sup> 8.00pm. The book we are discussing is *Before You Say "I don't believe"* by Roger Carswell. Zoom ID: 316 300 9000 Password: GoodNews. Please speak to Dot Carswell if you wish to join next month.

Clitheroe Market Outreach Tuesday April 1st 10.00am - 12.00pm. Join Matthew at the big arch entry.

Afternoon Open Church Thursday April 3<sup>rd</sup> 12.00pm – 4.30pm. Alan will be available. Do pop in for a chat and drink.

Men's Breakfast Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> 8.30am. An opportunity for men to fellowship together and be encouraged by a short talk

Saturday Fellowship April 5<sup>th</sup> 2.00 – 400pm. Join for a time of informal fellowship, singing and afternoon tea in the upper room. All are welcome

Next Sunday do join for the Fellowship Lunch after the morning service. There is seating for 38. Newcomers, guests and visitors are especially welcome

Fourum on Thursday April 10<sup>th</sup> 7.45pm. Four speakers are sought to give 10–15 minute talks on a Christian topic (e.g. a hymn or church history) Please see Alan for details.

Herbert is stepping down as deacon to focus on Elsie. We are grateful to him for his many years of service.

Please speak to Alan if you would like a home visit

'Therefore, there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus'

Romans 8:1

'The gospel is open to all; the most respectable sinner has no more claim on it than the worst.'