**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 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024 This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am Alan Marsden
Services	6.00pm Alan Marsden
Monday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
	1.00pm Craft Group in the Upper Room
Wednesday	7.00pm. Westminster Catechism
	7.30pm Midweek Service and Prayer
	led by Alan Marsden
Thursday	11.00am Bible Study – Colossians
	12.00pm Afternoon Open Church
	6.30 pm. Basic Bible Study
	7.45pm Bible Study - Matthew
	led by Alan Marsden

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Tony Brown (Communion)

6.00pm: Alan Marsden

**Sunday Film Night** March 10<sup>th</sup> There will be an opportunity, after the evening service, to stay and watch a film: *God's Outlaw: The Story of William Tyndale*. If wished you can join just for the film. There will be tea and coffee served after the service as usual.

Friday March 15<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm: Holden Chapel Men's Fellowship invite the men from Martin Top to join them for an evening at Rimington Memorial Institute. It is planned to play snooker and darts. Tony Kelso will be sharing some thoughts at the end of the evening.

Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup> 8.00pm Real Lives with Dave Bilbrough. Dave has written many well-known Christian songs (his first being 'Abba Father') Join Roger Carswell in conversation with Dave as he plays and sings and shares his experiences of life. Join on YouTube

Tuesday March 12<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 12.00pm: Clitheroe Market Outreach. Join Matthew near the big arch entry. Any help would be appreciated.

Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> 12.00pm – 4.30pm: Afternoon Open Church. The chapel will be open, Alan will be available. Do pop in for a warm drink and a chat.

First Aid Course leading to a Duty of Care Certificate. It would be helpful for the benefit of the congregation for anyone to attend this course at Whalley Methodist Church on Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 12 noon. There is a possibility of another course later in the year. If you are interested, please contact Roy Porter Tel: 01200 441690 or 07901 865017 or email royjames@royjporter.

Chapel Magazine: Copies are available from the front pew.

Please speak to Alan if you would like to arrange a home visit.

'Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.'

Hebrews 12:1,2

'...consciousness of the threefold joy of the Lord, His joy in ransoming us, His joy in dwelling within us as our Saviour and Power for fruit bearing and His joy in possessing us, as His Bride and His delight; it is the consciousness of this joy which is our real strength. Our joy in Him may be a fluctuating thing: His joy in us knows no change.' Hudson Taylor