**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: <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 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am	Alan Marsden
Services	6.00pm	Fred Kershaw
Monday	9.00am	Word and Prayer by Zoom
	1.00pm	Craft Group in the Upper Room
Wednesday	12.00pm	Afternoon Open Church
	7.30pm	Midweek Service and Prayer
		led by Stephen Jackson
Thursday	7.30pm	Bible Study led by
		Alan Marsden

Next Sunday 10.45am Alan Marsden (Communion)

6.00pm Alan Marsden

## **Mission Planning**

Anyone wishing to help with the planning of the mission, please meet at the Chapel at 4.00pm this Sunday.

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

Sunday Morning Parking: The Parish Council have drawn our attention again, to traffic hazards caused by cars parked when services take place. To reduce the possibility of an accident, please avoid parking on the corner. Do consider whether, if possible, you are able to park further away and perhaps enjoy a 10 minute walk to chapel or consider sharing the car journey with another. Your help will be appreciated. Thank you.

Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup> 8.00pm Real Lives: After rebellious teenage years, Simon Pinchbeck joined the Metropolitan Police in London. After 23 years in the police, Simon spiralled down into a life of organised crime and the pursuit of money and eventually lost his job. Join Roger Carswell in conversation with Simon as he shares his story of how he eventually came to know peace through trusting Christ. Watch on <a href="YouTube">YouTube</a> or catch up later.

Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 12.00 Clitheroe Market Outreach. Join Matthew on Clitheroe Market near the big arch entry. Any help would be greatly appreciated

Wednesday February  $15^{th}$  12.00 pm - 4.30 pm. The chapel will be open. Alan will be available. Do drop in for a warm drink a chat or prayer.

'But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.'

Romans 5:8

'There is tremendous relief in knowing His love to me is utterly realistic, based at every point on prior knowledge of the worst about me, so that no discovery can disillusion Him about me, in the way I am so often disillusioned about myself, and quench His determination to bless me.'

J.I. Packer