

I'm 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



SALEM CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL

MARTIN TOP

Welcome

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

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Week Beginning Sunday December 15th 2024

This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday Services	10.45am Thomas McIlmoyle (Communion) 6.00pm Alan Marsden
Monday	1.00pm Craft Group Lunch at Calf's Head
Tuesday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism 7.30pm Midweek Service with Prayers led by Alan Marsden
Thursday	11.00am Bible Study led by Alan Marsden 12.00pm Afternoon Open Church 6.30pm Basic Bible Study 7.45pm Bible Study led by Alan Marsden
Friday	7.00pm Salem Social at Alan's

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Alan Marsden (Carol Service)
6.00pm: Joe McNutt (Carols by Candlelight)

Happening Elsewhere

Joyful Noise will meet on Monday December 16th 6.15pm for 6.30pm at The Manor House Chatburn to sing carols to the residents.

Thank you to all who took part in the Big Clean last Saturday.

Craft Group Christmas Lunch – Monday December 16th at 1.00pm at the Calf's Head, Worston.

Clitheroe Market Outreach: Tuesday December 17th 10.00am – 12.00pm: Join Matthew near the big arch entry.

Afternoon Open Church: Thursday December 19th 12.00pm – 4.30pm. Alan will be available. Do pop in for a chat and a drink.

Salem Social Friday December 20th from 7.00pm at Alan's

Carol Service at Hetton Chapel Saturday December 21st at 6.00pm followed by mince pies and hot winter punch

Next Sunday December 22nd. Carol Services at Martin Top. Please think about who you could invite. There will be refreshments afterwards. Donations of mince pies and other Christmas goodies would be greatly appreciated.

If you would like the week's songs and texts emailed to you at the start of the week, please email Alan

Real Lives on Saturday December 14th at 8.00pm with Chris Wallis '*My 14-year-old died in a car accident.*'. Hear Roger Carswell in conversation with Chris about that day and the roller coaster of emotions that followed. Watch on [YouTube](#)

Please speak to Alan if you would like a home visit

'Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I will say rejoice!

Let your gentleness be known to all men.

The Lord is near.'

Philippians 4:4-5

'All our thoughts of God must be delightful thoughts. It is our duty and privilege to rejoice in God, and to rejoice in him always; at all times, in all conditions.'

Matthew Henry