

**About us:** We are an Independent Congregational church. 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

**Safeguarding:** We take safeguarding seriously. Any concerns about unsafe or inappropriate behaviour can be reported to Alan, Diana, or Andy (see the blue SG poster in the upper room for contact details).

**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 16<sup>th</sup> August 2026

## This week at Salem Chapel:

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| Sunday Services | 10.45am Alan Marsden (Communion)<br>3.00pm Steve Thompson (Hetton Chapel)<br>3.00pm Alan Marsden (Burnley)<br>6.00pm Alan Marsden                                  |
| Tuesday         | 9.00am Word and Prayer on Zoom                                                                                                                                     |
| Wednesday       | 7.00pm Westminster Catechism<br>7.30pm Midweek Service and Prayer led by Alan Marsden                                                                              |
| Thursday        | 11.00am Morning Bible Study – led by Alan Marsden<br>12.00pm Afternoon Open Church<br>6.30pm Basic Bible Study – Alan Marsden<br>7.45pm Bible Study – Alan Marsden |
| Saturday        | 11.00am Youth Fellowship at Alan's                                                                                                                                 |

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

### Happening Elsewhere

**Joyful Noise:** Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 7.30pm – 9.30pm at Chatburn Methodist Church – come and enjoy singing hymns old and new. Led by Roy Porter, All are welcome.

**Coffee Morning at Hetton:** Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 10.00am- 12.00 noon. Do come along for coffee and conversation. All are welcome

**Clitheroe Market Outreach:** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 10.00am – 12.00pm  
Join Matthew at the Big Arch entrance to hand out leaflets and have conversations. Any help, even for part of the morning would be greatly appreciated.

### Afternoon Open Church:

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 12.00–5.00pm

The chapel will be open. Do pop in for a chat and a cup of tea. Alan will be available throughout the afternoon.

### Youth Fellowship:

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 11.00am – 3.00pm at Alan's

### Opportunities to Serve:

 **Audio-Visual Team:** We are looking for a few more people to help on the team. Full training will be given. If you think you might be able to help please speak to Stephen, Angus or a member of the team.

 **Refreshments Team:** We are also looking for a few more people to join the refreshments rota. If you are able to help, please speak to Sue Cunliffe.

### Dates for Your Diary

**Morecambe Gospel Bayfest:** Friday 18<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September at the Platform Theatre. Speaker: More information [here](#).

**European Creation Conference:** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September at the Bridge Conference Centre, Leeds. More information [here](#)

**Pastoral Support:** If you would appreciate a visit, a phone call or would like to meet with Alan, please let him know.

“Whom have I in heaven  
but You? And there is  
none upon earth that I  
desire besides You”

Psalm 73:5

“You must keep all earthly  
treasures out of your heart;  
let Christ be your treasure  
and let him have your  
heart.”

C H Spurgeon