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: 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 upper room into which the service is relayed via speakers.

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 16th October 2022

This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am Al Simms (Communion)
Services	6.00pm Alan Marsden
Monday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	12.00pm Open Church Afternoon
	7.30pm Midweek Service and Prayer
	led by Alan Marsden
Thursday	7.30pm Bible Study: Biblical Church
	Government led by
	Alan Marsden

Next Sunday: 10.45am Alan Marsden

6.00pm Alan Marsden

Monday October 17th – 7.30pm – 9.30pm Joyful Noise at Chatburn Methodist Church. All are welcome

Wednesday Open Church Afternoon Alan will be at the chapel from $12.00-4.30 \, \mathrm{pm}$ for people to drop in for a chat or prayer. Regulars and visitors are welcome

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.

Saturday October 15th Real Lives at 8.00pm: 'The Pilot' Rebecca Otts who flies Boeing 787s will be in conversation with Roger Carswell about her life and faith. Her husband Michael will speak briefly afterwards. Join the Zoom Room (from 7.50pm) or catch up on YouTube afterwards.

Tuesday October 18th 10.00am– 12.00pm Clitheroe Market Outreach: Matthew will be on Clitheroe Market near the big arch entry, handing out Christian leaflets and engaging in gospel conversations. Any help and support would be greatly appreciated.

Thursday Bible Study. We will be looking at a special topic this week – Biblical Church Government. All are welcome.

Future Dates for your diary:

Saturday November 19th Martin Top Stall at Barnoldswick Market. Matthew plans to be there all day. If you can help, please let him know or sign up on the sheet in the Upper Room

Monday December 19th 12.30pm Craft Group and Fellowship Christmas Meal at Shekinah Christian Centre. 2 courses £20.50, 3 courses £25.00. This is open to all. Please speak to Susan Bradshaw for more information and booking (which is required asap to secure a place)

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

Matthew 5:3

'Poverty of spirit is the conscious confession of unworth before God. We cannot fulfil God's standards ourselves. We must come to him and acknowledge our spiritual bankruptcy, emptying ourselves of our self-righteousness, moral self-esteem and personal vainglory'

D A Carson