

**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



SALEM CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL  
MARTIN TOP

# 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 May 17<sup>th</sup> 2026

## This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday Services	10.45am Alan Marsden (Communion) 3.00pm Alan Marsden at Hetton Chapel 6.00pm Harry Peace
Tuesday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism 7.30pm Midweek Service with Prayer led by Alan Marsden
Thursday	11.00am Bible Study led by Alan Marsden 12.00pm Afternoon Open Church 6.30pm Basic Bible Study – Alan Marsden 7.45pm Bible Study – Alan Marsden

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Alan Marsden  
6.00pm: Phil Close

### Coffee Morning at Hetton:

Wednesday 20 May 10.00am – 12.00 noon.  
Do come along for coffee, conversation and a warm welcome.

### Pastoral Support.

If you would like to meet with Alan or receive a phone call, please do let him know.

### Clitheroe Market Outreach:

*Tuesday 19 May 10.00am-12.00pm.* Join Matthew at the big arch entrance. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

### Afternoon Open Church:

*Thursday 21 May 12.00pm – 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.

### Bible Week

*Monday May 25 – May 29 6.30pm and 8.00pm*

Details of speakers and subjects are available on the noticeboard in the Upper Room and on the website [here](#)

**Volunteers** are needed for the Bible Week (two people per evening) to welcome at the door and also for the Sunday evening Lambing Service

Please sign up on the sheet in the Upper Room

**Outdoor Baptism Service:** We are hoping to hold an outdoor baptism service on August 9<sup>th</sup> Those who regularly attend Martin Top and would like to confess their faith in Jesus Christ through baptism are invited to speak with Alan

### Date for your Diary:

#### Creation Ministries International at Martin Top:

*Evidence of Creation Thursday 18 June 7.30pm.*

A great informal outreach opportunity to invite family and friends along, to hear a creation presentation given by Professor Hans Degens.

Admission is free and all are welcome.

'Real spiritual growth is always growth downward so to speak, into profounder humility.'  
J I Packer

'He must increase, but I must decrease.'

John 3:30