

**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



# 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 18<sup>th</sup> 2025

## This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday Services	10.45am Alan Marsden (Communion)
	3.00pm Alan Marsden (Hetton Chapel)
	6.00pm Alan Marsden
Monday	1.00pm Craft Group in the Upper Room
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism
	7.30pm Midweek Service led by Joe McNutt
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	6.30pm Prayer for Burnley at Alan's
	7.15pm Salem Social at Alan's

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Alan Marsden  
6.00pm: Stephen Jackson

### Happening Elsewhere

Wednesday May 21<sup>st</sup> 10.00am – 12 noon: Coffee morning at Hetton Chapel. Bring a friend for a trip out. Help with serving drinks is always appreciated too.

Clitheroe Market Outreach Tuesday May 20<sup>th</sup> 10.00am - 12.00pm. Join Matthew at the big arch entry

Afternoon Open Church Thursday May 22<sup>nd</sup> 12.00pm – 5.00pm. Alan will be available. Do pop in for a chat and a drink.

Prayer for Burnley: Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup> 6.30pm at Alan's home.

Salem Social: Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 7.15pm at Alan's home. Food and drinks will be provided. There will also be an opportunity to say goodbye to Gemma.

Martin Top Bible Week Monday May 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday May 30<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm and 8.00pm: Details can be found on the website [here](http://www.martintop.org/Bible-Week) (www.martintop.org/Bible-Week)

Volunteers are needed for the Bible Week - Two people are needed each evening at 6.00pm to welcome at the door and help manage the parking. Please sign up on the sheet on the noticeboard. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Any regular attender encountering financial hardship should speak to the pastor or deacons.

If you need a large print hymn book, please ask.

Please speak to Alan if you would like a home visit.

'Now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.'

1 Corinthians 13:12

'When we realise that God is the perfection of all that we long for or desire, that he is the summation of everything beautiful or desirable, then we realise that the greatest joy of the life to come will be that we shall see his face.'

Wayne A Grudem