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.

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Week Beginning Sunday January 19th 2025 This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am Alan Marsden (Communion)
Services	3.00pm (Hetton Chapel) Alan Marsden
	6.00pm Alan Marsden
Tuesday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism
	7.30pm Midweek Service with Prayer
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

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Harry Peace

6.00pm: Stephen Jackson

Happening Elsewhere

Monday January 20th 7.30pm – 9.30pm: Joyful Noise at Chatburn Methodist Church led by Roy Porter. All are welcome.

Wednesday January 29th 7.45pm - 9.00pm 'Grace and Truth' a Christian Institute meeting at Trinity Grace Church, 9 Bridge Street, Bury, BL0 9AB. Topics will include Assisted Suicide, Gambling and Conversion Therapy.

Clitheroe Market Outreach Tuesday January 21st 10.00am – 12.00 noon. Join Matthew at the big arch entry. Any help would be appreciated.

Afternoon Open Church Thursday January 23rd 12.00pm – 4.30pm. Alan will be available. Do pop in for a chat and a warm drink.

Salem Social. Would you consider hosting a 'Salem Social' at your home? It could be an evening or a daytime. You may provide food, or just drinks, or suggest a Jacob's Join. Please speak to Alan.

Chapel Magazine: The spring edition is due out at the end of February. Please send items by the end of January if possible. Send reports of meetings, articles or things of interest to Bill Ashton and mark it for the attention of Hilary.

Please speak to Alan if you would like a home visit or if you would like to visit him in his own home.

"I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ."

Philippians 3:8

"I urge upon you a nearer communion with Christ, and a growing communion. There are curtains to be opened in Christ that we have never seen before...therefore dig deep and labour. Take pains for him and set aside as much time as you can in each day for Him."

Samuel Rutherford