**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: <a href="https://martintop.org.uk">https://martintop.org.uk</a>

**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.

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## Week Beginning Sunday October 19th 2025

## This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am Alan Marsden (Communion)
Services	3.00pm Alan Marsden (Hetton Chapel)
	6.00pm Kevin Price
Tuesday	9.00am Word and Prayer (online)
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism
	7.30pm Midweek Service led by
	Alan Marsden
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
Saturday	12.30pm Salem Social at the home of
	Peter and Chris Midgley

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Alex Myers

6.00pm: Stephen Jackson

Dan and Emma's Wedding - Saturday 18 October 11.00am We wish them every happiness and God's richest blessing. See pictures and livestream on their wedding website: https://savi.do/demma1810

Clitheroe Market Outreach Tuesday 21 October 10.am -12.00pm Join Matthew at the big arch entry. Any help would be appreciated.

Afternoon Open Church Thursday 23 October 12.00pm – 5.00pm: Do pop in for a drink and chat. Alan will be available throughout the afternoon.

**Salem Social: Saturday 25 October from 12.30pm** Lunch and fellowship at the home of Peter and Chris Midgley, Clayton-le-Moors. Please speak to Peter or Chris about directions and contributions. All are welcome.

**Martin Top Lending Library:** The library will be available next Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>. You can access the catalogue <u>here</u> or see the notice board in the upper room for details.

**Book Club:** The book we are reading this month is 'Compelled – Ordinary People Extraordinary God' by Paul and Sarah Hastings, cost £1. We will meet online on Tuesday 28 October at 8.00pm to share thoughts. Please see Dot Carswell if you would like to join or if you just want to read the book.

**Chapel Magazine:** Please send articles, photos, items of interest for the next quarterly magazine to Dean Stevenson by the end of October if possible. Contributions would be appreciated,

## **Pastoral Support**

Please speak to Alan if you would like to meet with him mid-week or receive a phone call.

'Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.' Romans 12:11 'A zealous man in religion is pre-eminently a man of one thing. He only sees one thing, cares for one thing, lives for one thing and that one thing is to please God.' JC Ryle