**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: <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

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 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am Alan Marsden
Services	6.00pm Alan Marsden
Monday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism
	7.30pm Midweek Service and Prayer
	led by Alan Marsden
Thursday	12.00pm Afternoon Open Church
	6.30pm Basic Bible Study
	7.45pm Bible Study
	led by Alan Marsden
Friday	8.00p Book Club (online) God's Secret
	Listener by John Butterworth

Next Sunday: 10.45am: Richard Johnson

6.00pm: Stephen Jackson

Monday July 24<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm – 9.30pm: Joyful Noise at Chatburn Methodist Church. All are welcome

July 15<sup>th</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup> Keswick Convention. See details <u>here</u>

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

Tuesday July 25<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 12.00pm Clitheroe Market Outreach. Join Matthew near the big arch entry. Any support and help would be greatly appreciated.

Wednesday July 26<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm – 7.30pm: The Shorter Westminster Catechism. A half hour session, looking at the questions and answers.

7.30pm -8.30pm Midweek Service and Prayer

Thursday July 20<sup>th</sup> 12.00pm – 4.30pm: Afternoon Open Church. The chapel will be open. Alan will be available. Do drop in for a drink, a chat or for prayer

6.30pm – 7.00pm: Basic Bible Study

7.45pm – 9.00pm: Bible Study: led by Alan Marsden.

Wednesday August 2<sup>nd</sup> 8.40pm: Special Members' Meeting to be held following the Midweek Service.

Friday Light will be changing its name to reflect that we plan to meet on other days of the week for fellowship. A possible suggestion is Salem Social. If anyone has other ideas for the name, please see Gemma. The next one is on Sunday August 13<sup>th</sup> Details will follow next week.

Chapel Magazine: please send submissions by August 5<sup>th</sup> to Bill Ashton, marked for the attention of Hilary. Thank you.

'Honour and majesty are before Him; Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. Oh, worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness! Tremble before Him, all the earth.'

Psalm 96<sup>6,9</sup>

'To worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind with the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, to devote the will to the purpose of God.'

William Temple