**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: <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 August 25<sup>th</sup> 2024 This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am Alan Marsden
Services	6.00pm Stephen Jackson
Monday	1.00am Craft Group in the Upper Room
Tuesday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism
	7.30pm Midweek Service and Prayer
	Stuart Lythgoe
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: Alan Marsden

6.00pm: Kevin Price (Communion)

Next Sunday September 1<sup>st</sup> Do join us for the Fellowship Lunch after the morning service. There is seating for 38. Newcomers and guests are especially welcome.

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

Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup> Holden Chapel Anniversary. 1.30pm led by Mr David Lawson and 7.00pm led by The Longton Family. All are welcome

Tuesday August 27<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 12.00pm: Clitheroe Market Outreach. Join Matthew near the big arch entry. Any help would be appreciated.

Thursday August 29<sup>th</sup> 12.00pm – 4.30pm: Afternoon Open Church. Alan will be available. Do pop in for a chat and a cup of tea.

Book Club: Next Sunday the new book for the Book Club will be available – 'Overcoming the World' by Faith Cook - a collection of 10 biographical sketches of men and women spanning a timescale of 450 years. Please speak to Dot Carswell if you would like to join.

Saturday September 14<sup>th</sup> 1.00pm: Salem Social at Peter and Heather's home in Barnoldswick. This will be a Jacob's Join. Hot and cold drinks will be provided. All are welcome.

The September – November chapel magazine is now available. Please take a copy from the front pew.

'Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him.' Psalm 37:7

'Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house, and went to a solitary place, where He prayed.' Mark 1:35

'There are times when solitude is better than society, and silence is wiser than speech. We should be better Christians if we were more alone, waiting upon God, and gathering through meditation on His Word, spiritual strength for labour in His service.'
Charles H Spurgeon