

**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: <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

**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 August 3<sup>rd</sup> 2025

## This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday Services	10.45am Alan Marsden 3.00pm Roger Carswell (Hetton Chapel) 6.00pm Alan Marsden (Communion)
Tuesday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism 7.30pm Mid-Week 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

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

### Happening Elsewhere

**Joyful Noise** Monday August 4<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm – 9.30pm:  
Joyful Noise will meet at Chatburn Methodist Church, where people from local churches come together to sing hymns old and new. Led by Roy Porter. All are welcome!

### Fellowship Lunch

Join us for our Fellowship Lunch after the morning service. There is seating available for 38 people. Newcomers, visitors, and guests are especially welcome

### Clitheroe Market Outreach

**Tuesday August 5<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 12.00pm.**

Join Matthew at the big arch entry to hand out leaflets and have conversations. Any help is appreciated!

### Afternoon Open Church

**Thursday 7 August 12.00pm – 5.00pm:**

The chapel will be open for anyone to drop in.  
Alan will be available throughout the afternoon – come for a drink, a chat or simply some quiet space. All are welcome!

### Prayers for Burnley

**Friday August 29 at 7.00pm**

The next Burnley Prayer Meeting will take place at the home of Bernard and Tina.  
Please speak to Bernard, Tina, or Alan for the address. All are warmly welcome.

### Pastoral Support

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

‘For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.’  
Romans 15:4

‘The Scriptures were written to sustain us with hope in the midst of suffering, to remind us that God’s purposes are trustworthy and that the promises of God are always sure’  
D.A. Carson