**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 January 5<sup>th</sup> 2025 This week at Salem Chapel:

Sunday	10.45am Alan Marsden
Services	6.00pm Alan Marsden (Communion)
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: Alan Marsden

6.00pm: Alan Marsden

Sunday January 5th, 2025 do join us for the Fellowship Lunch after the morning service. There is seating for 38 people. Newcomers, visitors, and guests are especially welcome.

Saturday January 18th 10am – 3.30pm North West Gospel Partnership Conference at The Edge, Wigan. Speaker: Adrian Reynolds. 'God's Builder in God's Building: Sharing in the Mission Heart of God.' Tickets available on their website here

Monday January 6<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm AGM followed by the Members' Meeting in the upper room.

Tuesday January 7<sup>th</sup> Clitheroe Market Outreach. Join Matthew at the big arch entry. Any help would be appreciated.

Thursday January 9th Afternoon Open Church 12.00pm -4.30pm. Alan will be available. Do pop in for a chat and a warm drink.

Replacement of the upper room carpet - choosing a colour please look at the samples which are available in the upper room. A choice will be made by members at the members' meeting on Monday. Let us know what you think, your observations would be welcome.

Book Club. The book we will be reading this month is 'To a Different Drum' An adventure of radical obedience, by Pauline Hamilton. If you would like to join or if you would like to just read the book, please speak to Dot Carswell

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

'As you, therefore, have received Christ Jesus, the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith. as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving' Colossians 2:7

'Those that set God always before them, and walk before him with all their hearts. shall find him as good as his word and better; he will both keep covenant with them and show mercy to them.'

Matthew Henry