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: 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

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 6th 2024

This week at Salem Chapel:

Harvest	10.45am Alan Marsden
Sunday Services	6.00pm Alan Marsden (Communion)
Monday	12.00pm Craft Group in the Upper Room
Tuesday	9.00am Word and Prayer by Zoom
Wednesday	7.00pm Westminster Catechism
	7.30pm Midweek Service with Prayers
	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: Thomas McIlmoyle

Real Lives with Roy Brown - Saturday October 5th 8.00pm: 'Twenty-Eight Years of Addiction and Despair'. Join Roger Carswell in conversation with Roy as he shares how he found hope. Watch live on <u>YouTube</u> or catch up later

Next Sunday there will be food and refreshments after the morning service to mark Sonia Holden's departure to Australia.

This Sunday; Harvest Thanksgiving

Do join us for a thanksgiving to God for food, life, and breath. Preparation of the harvest display will be on Saturday October 5th at 10.30am. Any help with the display or donations of food for the Food Bank would be appreciated.

There will be a Fellowship Lunch after the Harvest Service. There is seating for 38 people. Newcomers and visitors are especially welcome.

Craft Group Monday October 7th Jacob's Join for Sonia. Arrive between 12.00 and 12.30pm if you can join for lunch. Craft Group is on as usual between 1.00pm and 5.00pm

Clitheroe Market Outreach: Tuesday October 8th 10.00am - 12.00pm. Join Matthew near the big arch entry. Any help would be appreciated.

Afternoon Open Church: Thursday October 10th 12.00 – 4.30pm: Alan will be available. Do pop in for a chat and a cup of tea.

Keswick in East Lancashire Autumn Convention: Saturday October 19th 10.00am-1.00pm at St Leonard's Church Padiham, BB12 8HG. George Crowder will speak on 'Life, Death, Heaven and Hell'

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

'Oh, come let us sing to the LORD! Let us sing to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving.

Psalm 95

"In ordinary life we hardly realise that we receive much more than we give, and it is only with gratitude that we become rich."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer