

Buxton Methodist Church

'The Church on the Market Place'

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Weekly Notice Sheet

Sunday 11th May 2025

Christian Aid Week



Sunday Services

11th May, 10.30am – Morning Worship with Stephen Jay & Sunday Club

11th May, 6pm – Praise@6

18th May, 10.30am – Morning Worship by own arrangement & Sunday Club



Jesus, give us tender hearts,
make us encouragers.
Fill us with compassion
for our global
neighbours.
May we be inspired
by passionate
changemakers.
Spur us on to
do your work
of love.
Amen.

Source: Christian Aid

If you need help, prayer or simply want to chat, please contact Rev Andrew Parker.

WORSHIP AT HOME

Bible Reading – Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

A prayer for Christian Aid Week

Lord, you are faithful to your promises. Through the Spirit, you bless us with abounding hope. When power seeks to silence justice, give us the courage to raise our voice. When an end to poverty seems far off, renew our faith in your kingdom on earth. When our neighbour reaches out, inspire us to respond with overflowing love. Amen.

Christian Aid

A prayer on the election of Pope Leo XIV

God of all grace, we thank you that in every generation you reveal your love for the world, and set before your people your word of life and hope. Bless and guide your servant, Pope Leo XIV. Give him the assurance of your love, and pour your Spirit upon him: may his ministry reflect that of your Son Jesus, and let him be a bold witness to your love and truth. Bless our siblings in the Roman Catholic Church as they welcome their new Holy Father. May he lead their Church with wisdom and grace. Together with Pope Leo, unite all Christians as a holy people, bearing hope and peace within the human family, and always attentive to the most poor and marginalised. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

The Methodist Church

A prayer for a peaceful resolution for the situation between India and Pakistan

I write to you during a deeply troubling time as tensions between Pakistan and India have once again escalated into war. It is disheartening to witness the recurrence of conflict between our nations. We long for an end to violence and the needless loss of life. I humbly ask you to lift both Pakistan and India in your prayers.

We pray that God, in His infinite mercy, will open hearts and minds to the path of dialogue, understanding, and mutual respect.

May God bring healing to our land and grant us the gift of enduring peace.

We pray for a swift ceasefire and a turning away from further aggression.

May the peace and love of God reign over our people, our leaders, and our region.

May peace prevail. Amen.

Bishop Kaleem John, Deputy Moderator of the Church of Pakistan

CHURCH NOTICES

Church Family

We're sad to hear that Carol Barr died recently. She will be remembered by some of you – she was a café leader for many years; a job she did conscientiously, kindly, and very efficiently. She lived in Buxton with her husband Malcolm and daughter Louise until they moved away to Stalybridge to help look after their two grandchildren. We remember with gratitude the part Carol played in our church and we think of Louise and her family as they mourn her loss. Mary Davies.



Christian Aid Week 2025 – 11th-17th May

It's Christian Aid Week! There are donations envelopes around church – please donate if you are able (and sign the Gift Aid slip is possible). This QR code (also on the back of the envelopes) will take you to the BMC Christian Aid fundraising page, where you can donate online.



You will also find fliers around about their Restore campaign, and a petition to sign. The climate and debt crises are colliding to trap millions of people in poverty. The Restore campaign invites us to join in God's work to restore creation and asks us to call on the UK Government to stand up to reckless polluters and greedy lenders. Give, pray, act. Find out more at www.christianaid.org.uk/get-involved/campaigns/restore-campaign.



BMC Quarterly Magazine

The deadline for content for the Summer 2025 magazine is Thursday 15th May. For full-page articles, aim for 400 words plus a picture. Cheers, Ali in the office.

Church Flowers

After 30-40 years of being involved in providing fresh flowers in church from the donations kindly given by members, I have decided it is time to share the work., Ellen Wooliscroft, who has been assisting with the flowers for a while now, has kindly agreed to take over collecting the donation monies and purchasing the flowers so please now give all monies to Ellen. The flower rota for names and dates will still remain on the noticeboard in the church porch.

Over the last few years, a few people have expressed an interest in learning the basics of flower arranging. If there were enough people, it may be possible to arrange a small class. If anyone is interested, please give your name and number to Ellen or myself. Thank you, Eileen Smith.

LOCAL NOTICES

Revitalising Buxton Consultation – 15th May

Capital & Centric has announced a public consultation on their initial plans for The Springs redevelopment. Take part in person at The Space (old Track and Trail unit on Spring Gardens), 3pm-8pm on Thursday, 15th May; or take part online at www.capitalandcentric.com/buxton (closes 30th May).

THE METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

The Methodist Church welcomes Pope Leo XIV's election: "Methodist people cherish our place in the worldwide church, and our relationships with the Roman Catholic Church at local, national and international levels. We look forward to ever more opportunities to share with our Catholic siblings in the mission of the Church. We pray that all church leaders listen to the voices of the poor and the oppressed, and speak out for justice, as we share God's love."

After a two-year refit and refurbishment, Connexional Team staff are settling into the new sustainably-designed offices on Tavistock Place in Bloomsbury. Read more at www.methodist.org.uk/about/news/.

Methodist Church Eco Community Network – 21st May

The next online gathering of the Eco Community Network is on Wednesday 21st May at 7pm on Zoom. It is a network for people passionate about faith and the environment; for those exploring climate justice, and those already taking action. Find out more and register via Eventbrite.

John Wesley Lecture 2025 – 22nd May

This year's lecture will be given by Dr Mark Kirby (Lincoln College Fellow) on the theme of 'John Wesley and the Architecture of Early Methodism' at Lincoln College in Oxford and online at 5pm on Thursday 22nd May. Find out more and register at lincoln.ox.ac.uk/events/the-annual-john-wesley-lecture-2025.

Cliff Festival 2025 – 23rd-26th May

We're looking forward to gathering at Cliff College in Derbyshire for a weekend of worship, learning, prayer and fellowship. This year, our Bible studies will be taught by Dr Ben Pugh, as we explore the theme 'Holiness Calling'. Friday 23rd to Monday 26th May. Discounts are available for groups of 10 or more (free for under-18s). Read more at www.cliffcollege.ac.uk/cliff-festival.



No change for the offertory plate? Give via debit card using the CollecTin device at the back of church or donate online via GiveALittle – scan the QR code

