

# Buxton Methodist Church

'The Church on the Market Place'

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## Weekly Notice Sheet

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2026

### Sunday Services

28<sup>th</sup> June, 10.30am – Morning Worship with Rev Andrew Parker & Sunday Club followed by Annual Church Meeting

5<sup>th</sup> July, 10.30am – Morning Worship & Holy Communion with Ian Stubbs & Sunday Club



*This is your calling: Bear fruit.  
Be bold. Be the gift.  
Let the Spirit clear away what  
clutters and distracts, and  
shape you into a holy gift – a  
tree of life in a world hungry  
for hope.*

Image: The Methodist Church Facebook page

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

## WORSHIP AT HOME

### A Prayer for Venezuela following the earthquakes

We pray for all of those who have fallen victim to this terrible earthquake. We pray that you comfort them, that you provide for them, that they would know that you are with them, that you never leave them or forsake them.

We pray, Lord, that you would be their strength, that despite the situation they find themselves in, they would draw hope and courage, strength and encouragement from the support they receive from neighbouring countries, from churches, and from their own government within Venezuela.

We pray, Lord, that those who have survived the earthquake would be sustained by your grace, that they would receive provision, comfort, and peace, and that they would continue to hold on to hope in the midst of such difficulty and loss.

We pray that any people who are waiting to be rescued would be sustained and that your Holy Spirit would guide the rescue workers to their location.

We pray for the Methodist Christian Community in Venezuela. We pray that you would give them wisdom to respond in the most effective way possible to this tragedy, sharing the love and hope of Christ Jesus with affected communities. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*Sandra Lopez, Partnership Coordinator for the Americas*

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## CHURCH MISSION

Our church mission plan sets out what kind of church we want to be. In and amongst all the things we could be doing, what are our priorities? This week, our Church Council reviewed our Mission Plan, which is available in full at the back of church and in the porch side entrance. Over the next few weeks, we will be looking at each area of our mission plan, for us to spend time reading and thinking about how God is calling us to join in his mission to our community and world.

Our Vision: all are welcome and all are working together to make God more relevant in our community.

Our Aim: to be a cohesive, caring, growing church community who learn, worship and witness to the love of God. We will be a church of living faith, friendship, justice-seeking, a welcome for all, with careful use of our resources.

Over the next few weeks, we will look at each area in turn. Rev Andrew Parker.

## CHURCH NOTICES

### BMC: Annual Church Meeting

Our Annual Church Meeting takes place after our service this Sunday. The service will be shorter (35-40 minutes) followed by the usual time for coffee. The meeting will last around 30 minutes. All are welcome. Rev Andrew Parker.



### BMC: Fringe Rota

We are still in need of volunteers to sign up as stewards for the Fringe performances at BMC. The rota is at the back of the church. Please add your name if you are able to help. Thank you, Helen, Lettings Administrator.



### BMC: Sponsored Walk

This week, Peter Brant (former Minister of BMC) begins his challenge to walk 21,196 steps around the garden of Haddon Hall Care Home. The steps walked represents the length of the Great Wall of China (kms), as his daughter, Dorcas, will be trekking along the Wall to raise funds for Blythe House Hospice, who provided wonderful care and support to Peter's late wife, Marjorie. The challenge is expected to take him approximately one week to complete. Peter and Dorcas would really appreciate your support. Donations can be made via: [www.justgiving.com/page/dorcas-lydford-2](http://www.justgiving.com/page/dorcas-lydford-2).



### HPP: Circuit Consultation

The circuit consultation regarding the re-invitation of Rev Andrew Parker has now closed. Please submit all contributions to ourselves or a church steward. Thank you, Peter Johnson and Dick Silson, Circuit Stewards.



### BMC: Prayer Group – 6<sup>th</sup> Jul

Our next Prayer Session is on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm-8pm in the Lower Room. All are welcome as we explore further questions around prayer.



### BMC: Tea & Chat – 7<sup>th</sup> Jul

The next Tea & Chat monthly get-together is on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Join us in the Main Hall anytime between 10.30am and 12noon.



### BMC: Funeral – 9<sup>th</sup> Jul

The funeral for Roger Lill takes places on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July. There will be a short service of commitment at Dukinfield Crematorium (SK16 4EP) at 11am followed by a Thanksgiving and Remembering Service at Glossop Methodist Church at 12noon, followed by light refreshments. Rev Andrew Parker.



## LOCAL NOTICES

### Brass in the Park – 1<sup>st</sup> Jul



Rotary Bakewell invites all to their *Brass in the Park* concert on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July, 6.30pm-9pm at Bakewell Recreation Ground (near the tennis courts). Bring chairs and a picnic and enjoy an evening of musical entertainment with local bands and Bakewell Youth Theatre. Free entry with a collection for local charities and good causes. Thank you, Roy Pickles.

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## THE METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

A rescue operation is underway after two powerful earthquakes struck Venezuela on Wednesday. Our partner church in Venezuela, the Methodist Christian Community, has been unaffected by the earthquakes given their location towards the east of the country. They are communicating with other churches to gather information. They thank the Methodist Church in Britain for our love and prayers. Read more at [www.methodist.org.uk/about/news/](http://www.methodist.org.uk/about/news/).

Our annual Methodist Conference is underway in Telford. Find out what is happening and watch the live-stream of the public sessions at [www.methodist.org.uk/about/structure-and-governance/the-methodist-conference/conference-2026/](http://www.methodist.org.uk/about/structure-and-governance/the-methodist-conference/conference-2026/).

The work of the Methodist Liaison Office in Jerusalem has been recognised with a plaque acknowledging their support for the Hope School in Bethlehem. The plaque was presented by the Director of the school, Mr Saba, and the Mayor of Beit Jala. Read more at [www.methodist.org.uk/about/our-stories/methodist-liaison-office-jerusalem-recognised-for-support-of-bethlehem-school/](http://www.methodist.org.uk/about/our-stories/methodist-liaison-office-jerusalem-recognised-for-support-of-bethlehem-school/).

### District: Statement re Rev James Tebbutt



Following the major heart attack James suffered in April, and the consequent complex recovery, related risks and unknown nature of what lies ahead, Rev James has decided to seek to curtail his appointment as Chair of the North West England District from 31<sup>st</sup> August 2027 (having then completed three of the original six years of the nominated appointment). In the coming weeks and months, we will follow all due process, in collaboration with the Conference Office, towards the nomination and appointment of a Chair from September 2027. Find out more and read James's full statement at [nwedmethodists.org.uk/leadership-statement/](http://nwedmethodists.org.uk/leadership-statement/).

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