

Buxton Methodist Church[✚]

'The Church on the Market Place'

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Weekly Notice Sheet[✚]

Sunday 19th July 2026

Sunday Services

19th July, 10.30am – Morning Worship with Phil Botham & Sunday Club

26th July, 10.30am – Morning Worship with Rev Jenny Dyer & Sunday Club

26th July, 6pm – Taizé Service

*The place
where we all
really need to
be is in your
arms of love,
in your family
and in your
kingdom. For in
your arms, your
family and your
kingdom there
is not just room
for all, but
a role for
all.*



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

WORSHIP AT HOME

Bible Reading – Psalm 139

O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Hymn

I watch the sunrise lighting the sky, casting its shadows near.
And on this morning bright though it be, I feel those shadows near me.

But you are always close to me, following all my ways.
May I be always close to you, following all your ways, Lord.

I watch the sunset fading away, lighting the clouds with sleep.
And as the evening closes its eyes, I feel your presence near me.

John Glynn

CHURCH MISSION

A few weeks ago, at our Annual Church Meeting we reviewed our Church Mission Plan. It is available if you want to read it in full, but we are also putting sections in the weekly sheet, so we can think and pray about it over the next few weeks. Our Vision is 'all are welcome and all are working together to make God more relevant in our community'. We do this through five priorities: living faith, friendship, justice-seeking, a welcome for all, and resources for mission.

This week, we look at 'living faith'. Living faith aims to inspire people to grow in their faith, so, together, we create a worshipping community aware of God's presence and responding to his love. As a church, this is how we do it:

- encourage participation of all ages in Sunday worship and continue Sunday Club, 3Generate group, support for uniformed groups, and All Age Worship.
- offer a range of resources and styles to enhance worship, i.e. Taizé, Praise@6.
- sustain high quality music by continuing the church choir, maintaining the church organ, paying assistant organist, encouraging the use of a band.
- deepening faith in house groups, prayer gatherings, and annual Lent study.

Over the next year or so, our priorities under this heading will be:

- encourage young people to take part in services i.e. readings, AV desk.
- review Praise@6 and think about starting 'breakfast church'.
- run an Alpha Course.

CHURCH NOTICES

BMC: Sunday Offering

Following from the agreed suggestion at the Annual Church Meeting, we are aiming to no longer 'pass the bag' during the offering because many in the congregation pay directly from their bank via a standing order. However, there are still those who prefer to give week-by-week. Therefore, we are seeking a new way of doing the offering. Near the entrance, there will be a plate with an offering bag for people to make their offering as they come into church. Using a bag provides a bit of privacy for those making their donation. This system isn't ideal. Other solutions would be a box but bringing a box forward to receive the gifts seems cumbersome. If you have any suggestions which provides some privacy/security and looks dignified, please let me know. Rev Andrew.

DEC: Venezuela Appeal

If you are able, please donate to the DEC emergency appeal for Venezuela, following the recent earthquakes there. You can make a donation online via donation.dec.org.uk/venezuela-earthquake-appeal (scan the QR code) or make a cash donation via the red Christian Aid envelopes at the back of the church.



BMC: Sponsored Night Hike

Next month, our youth group is doing a sponsored night hike to raise money for their trip to 3Generate in October. There will be two groups, a 'sprint' group, heading up to Solomon's Temple, and a 'challenge' group, heading off on a 6-mile walk to Burbage Edge. The aim is for each group to send a morse signal to the other group at 9pm. If you would like to sponsor the group, please complete the sponsorship forms at the back of church.



BMC: Taizé Service – 26th Jul

Our next Taizé Service is at 6pm on Sunday 26th July. It is an ecumenical form of worship and all are welcome to join us.



BMC: Toilet Closure – 27th Jul

A reminder, the ladies' toilets (off the lower corridor) will be closed from 27th July until the end of August for building works, as we update our facilities.



CTiB: Coffee Evening – 2nd Aug

Buxton URC is hosting a coffee evening in aid of Helping Hands, Kamuli, Uganda. Sunday 2nd August, 7pm-9pm, URC, Hardwick Sq East. All are welcome.



THE METHODIST CHURCH NOTICES

The Conference Business Digest for the 2026 Methodist Conference has been published, providing a summary of the key decisions and actions. Read it at www.methodist.org.uk/about/structure-and-governance/the-methodist-conference/conference-2026/conference-business-digest-2026/ or find a copy in the church foyer.

Connexional Economic Justice



Can you help to build more economic justice across the Methodist Church?

A working group is looking at how the distribution of resources for mission and ministry could be fairer. There is an online consultation and online listening sessions to help gather your thoughts. Complete the survey or register for the first online session (Thursday 23rd July, 4pm to 5pm) at www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/social-justice/connexional-economic-justice/.

District: Appointment



Rev Caroline Ainger has been appointed as District Secretary for Mission, effective from 1st September 2026. Read more at nwedmethodists.org.uk/new-district-secretary-for-mission-announced/.

District: Creamfields Mission



Liverpool Plus Mission Area is the home to one of Europe's biggest and most prestigious dance festivals: Creamfields. It takes place at Daresbury Estate, Cheshire, over the four-day August bank holiday weekend. For several years, an ecumenical team of volunteers has attended and there is still time to apply to be part of the team this year. The application deadline is Tuesday 21st July. Find out more at nwedmethodists.org.uk/we-are-the-church-showing-the-love-of-jesus-at-creamfields/.

District: Conference 2027



Nominations are now being invited for those wishing to attend Methodist Conference 2027 as a representative of the North West England District. Conference runs from 24th June for Presbyters, and from 26th June for Deacons and Lay representatives, until 30th June. If you are a member of the Methodist Church in NWED and are interested in attending, please complete a nomination form [email Ali in the office for a copy]. The closing date for nominations is 4th September 2026. Voting will take place at Synod on 12th September 2026.

