



North West England District Weekly News

9 June 2026

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District News

CONGRATULATIONS to Kristie Eve on her appointment as the new Ministry and Development Officer: Reflective Supervision and Practice, within the Connexional Team.

We thank Kristie so much, on behalf of all across the NWE District, for all her work within the Learning Network across our Circuits and District (including the former Districts).



We wish Kristie well in her new post, and are glad that she is still residing within our District, and we'll benefit from seeing her around, and engaging closely with her in her new role.

We also pray for the continuing members of the Learning Network team in the North West, assuring them of our support, encouragement and care.

God bless you, Kristie, as you take up this new role and ministry.

Senior Leadership Team.

For All Church and Circuit EDI/JDS Officers and others who may be interested

There will be an online Community of Practice Evening on Wednesday 10 June starting at 7.30pm, when we shall be looking at the EDI Tool Kit. To join the session please use the Zoom link below:

<https://zoom.us/j/95647413889?pwd=rBPS9BrZBaDJERtf9ccZ39R3MVwWyA.1>

Meeting ID: 956 4741 3889

Passcode: 442906

New Places for New People / Pioneer Safeguarding Surgery

Saturday 13 June 10am - 12 noon (zoom)

Are you part of the leadership of an NPNP, Pioneer community, Church at the Margins or simply exploring different expressions of church? These communities will be varied in their approach and contexts but establishing good safeguarding is vital.

This Safeguarding Surgery offers a space to meet with some of the Regional Officers for Safeguarding, to explore any specific questions in your context and to talk about some of the wider safeguarding issues and practices in new communities. Come along for the whole conversation or pop in for a short time.

For zoom details please contact Alison at hulsea@methodistchurch.org.uk

Superintendent Days for Circuit New Places for New People

Friday 19 June, 10am - 3pm at Lune Valley Methodist Hub, LA2 9NY

The deadline for bookings is Wednesday 10 June.

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JUNE 2026**

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**(ARRIVE FROM
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District Wellbeing Days

Sustainable Ministry: Facing the Challenges Together

Please book your place by this Friday, 12 June.

We are pleased to invite you to book onto one of our Wellbeing Days:

Tuesday 16 June for Ministers
Wednesday 17 June for Lay
Employees from the District, Circuits
or Churches

Venue: Lune Valley Methodist Hub,
 Brookhouse, Lancaster, LA2 9NY
(if a lift from and to Lancaster mainline train station would be helpful, please contact jonesc@nwedmethodists.org.uk and we will endeavour to arrange this)

Timings of the day: arrive from 9.30am for a 10am start. Finish at 3.30pm.

Please book your place by emailing Carole Jones by Friday 12 June:
jonesc@nwedmethodists.org.uk

Please bring your own packed lunch, although biscuits, fruit, cakes and drinks will be available throughout the day. **Please let us know of any dietary requirements you have.**

We want this day to be accessible and supportive for everyone. If you have any access needs or there are resource adjustments that would help you participate and learn more comfortably, please let us know.



**NORTH WEST ENGLAND
METHODIST DISTRICT**

Sustainable Ministry: Facing the Challenges Together

Tuesday, 16 June
Ministers

Wednesday, 17 June
Lay Employees

Led by:
 Rev. Karen Jobson, Chaplain for
 Staff Wellbeing, North West
 Ambulance Service NHS Trust
 Corin Pilling, Vocational
 Flourishing Officer, Methodist
 Church

Explore the realities and pressures of ministry today

- Recognise the signs and impact of stress and burnout
- Rediscover what deep, restorative rest can look like
- Ground our reflections in key biblical principles



We appreciate that people may not be able to attend the day this year due to the short notice and geography of the venue. We will aim to have the date for a future Wellbeing Day in the District diary earlier next year and will explore venues in other areas of the District (especially further south for next year).

The day will be led by Rev. Karen Jobson (Chaplain for Staff Wellbeing, North West Ambulance Service NHS Trust) and Corin Pilling (Vocational Flourishing Officer at the Methodist Church).

The District Wellbeing Strategy Team

June District Online Worship

Taking place on Sunday 14 June at 6.30pm, with Revd Alan Bradley preaching. For the Zoom code (which remains the same), please email prayer@nwedmethodists.org.uk or direct message us on Facebook.



Is Your Church Homepage Working Hard Enough?

Your church website homepage is often the first thing people see before they ever visit your church. Can they quickly find service times, contact details, and a warm welcome? Our latest 'Digital Digest' explores how you can make your church homepage more effective.

[Read the Digest here](#)

Safeguarding Conference Recording

Thank you to everyone that attended the Safeguarding Conference on Saturday 16 May. The conference was recorded, so if you were unable to attend the videos can be viewed here:

Part 1

Part 2

Events

What do you see?

Do you ever think about how the way we view life differently to others affects our behaviour and belief systems? If so there is still time to sign up and join the Your Space team on 11 June for our online session "What Do You See?", an online experience of perspective, perception and possibility. In a relaxed and open virtual space, you'll connect with others as we explore how perception shapes reality – personally, socially, and creatively.



Event Details:

11 June , 8-9pm

Online (link provided after registration)

Limited spots available

Come as you are, bring your curiosity, and discover... what do you see?

[Book your free place here](#)

3Generate: 2-4 October 2026

Bookings are now open for this year's 3Generate! This year's theme is On The Way - a celebration of the lifelong, ever-unfolding journey of faith.

For a taste of what 3Generate 2026 will be like, check out the promo video below. Share this with your church community or youth group to get the excitement building!

[Watch the promo video](#)[Book your tickets here](#)

Young People's Ecumenical Online Gathering

10 June, at 1pm UK time (14:00 CEST) via Zoom

The World Council of Churches (WCC) Young People in the Ecumenical Movement (YPEM) will host its second online Connection Gathering on 10 June, inviting young ecumenists from around the world to meet, share experiences, and strengthen relationships across regions.

[Find out more here](#)[Register here](#)

People's Emergency Briefing screening

Sunday 28 June 2026, 2pm at Wesley Church Centre St John St., Chester CH1 1DA

This film is about the threats to British life from ongoing damage to nature and to our climate, featuring footage from last November's National Emergency Briefing of MPs, bringing together leading UK experts. The film is 50 minutes and is then followed by a facilitated discussion.

[Book your free place here](#)

Mariapolis 2026 at Harper Adams University, Newport, Shropshire

23 - 26 July, bookings close 20 June

Closeness to God, to our neighbour and to our world: Everyone is welcome to join Mariapolis 26, to reflect on this theme and experience it in practice. Organised by the Focolare Movement, a network in association with Churches Together in England, this 3-day event brings together people of all ages and backgrounds.

[Find out more here](#)

Lancashire

Calder Vale "Songs of Praise" 2026

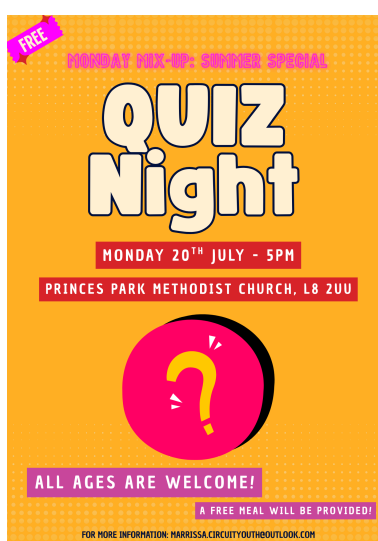
Please see below details of upcoming community singing services at Calder Vale.

More information available here

Liverpool Plus

Monday Mix-Up Summer Specials

Please find below details of a variety of free events open to all ages. A free event will also be provided. Click on the posters to download them, and please communicate dietary needs in advance by email to Marrissa at marrissa.circuitryouth@outlook.com



Training

Equipping the Equippers

Hearing the Voice of our Leaders, Young People and Children

Work with children and young people is often the ministry that goes unseen and unmentioned, yet it is happening all across our District.

As a District we are passionate about supporting the existing work to flourish and walking alongside those who desperately want something to happen in their church or circuit. You are a key part to helping us build a strategy that is truly useful to and reflective of the work across our District. This 2 hour session will serve a dual purpose:

- To equip leaders in how to run a pre-designed session focused on hearing the voice of their group of toddlers/children/youth etc.
- To serve as a consultation space, where we hear what matters to you and how we can best support you in your role.

Consultation sessions are now open for booking across a variety of dates in June.

[Find out more here](#)

Resources

Place for Hope

Accompanying and equipping people and faith communities so that all might reach their potential to be peacemakers who navigate conflict well.

[Find out more](#)

Take Time Meditations

A series of meditations that are based on Bible passages and enable you to enter into stories imaginatively.

[Access the meditations here](#)

Kingdom Over Nation

A new ecumenical resource developed through Churches Together in England (CTE) to help churches engage thoughtfully and prayerfully with the rise in Christian nationalism and the growing challenges surrounding identity, discipleship, and public life.

[Access the resources here](#)

Transforming Churches and Communities June eBulletin

[Read the eBulletin here](#)

Good News Stories

Culture Day at East Oldham Methodist Church

The Agents of Change at East Oldham Methodist recently led an inspiring Culture Day service based on Revelation 7:9-10 to celebrate their diversity and respond to local issues. From bringing traditional dishes for a bring and share meal to sharing Bible readings, prayers and songs in different languages, the Agents of Change reminded everyone that our many different cultures should be celebrated as they make us unique, but we should remember that we are all one in Jesus.



[Read more about the culture day here](#)

Vacancies

[Find current internal vacancies listed here.](#)

External vacancies:

- Faith in Action Project Worker, Student Christian Movement (SCM) - find out more [here](#).
- Lay Worker (Children, Young People and Families), Cheshire South Methodist Circuit - find out more [here](#).

Contact Us

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