Dear Friends,

I'm Sandra Morris the Youth & Family Worker at The Vale and Bispham.

For the next 12 months I also have a role for the District piloting a project in the Wigan Circuit.

The main focus of the project is appreciating volunteers. We recognise the fact that our churches couldn't possibly operate without very loyal and dedicated people and the majority of these people are volunteers. With this in mind we want to demonstrate that we do value and appreciate people and all that they do.

So this in mind we want to encourage churches and members to think of ways we can show that appreciation. One small project I would like us to consider is simply giving a "Thank You" card to the people who lead your Services on the new plan 1st March - 31st May. I feel this is something easy to do, for example you can purchase a pack of 12 cards for £1.50 from the Card Warehouse, The cards could be written for the whole 3 months ready to give out each Sunday.

Another project I would appreciate you promoting is the "Treasured" morning on 14th March 9.30am - 12.30pm at Spenser Road. This is an opportunity for us to say "Thank You" to people and for them to share their stories. The morning will start with a Bacon Butty (or veggie option) Please encourage anybody who volunteers in your church to come along, eg stewards, people who arrange flowers, make tea, do notices, clean the church, etc etc. We want to show our appreciation to everyone who serves our churches in whatever way.

If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact me

**Blessings** 

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Steward: Karen Eddlesto

Door Stewards: Sylvia/Lynn Flowers: Can you help?

Refreshments: Ian & Pauline

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#### Welcome to

## **ASPULL METHODIST CHURCH**



## Share the Love of Jesus

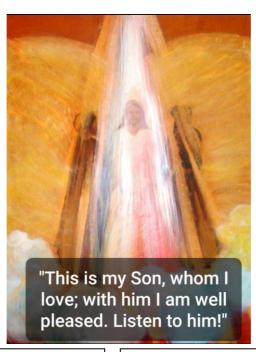


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**Sunday 23rd February** 10.30am

**Preacher** Allen Howarth



Steward: **Karen Eddleston** Door Stewards: Joyce/Simon

Flowers: Can you help?

Refreshments: Lynn & Rob

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# Today's bible readings

Exodus 24: 12-18 Matthew 17:1-9

**Giggles for God Toddler Group** Mondays 9.30-11.00am **Coffee Stop Monday** Toast and a brew - all welcome Mondays 10 – 11.15am Prayer meeting - all welcome **Power House** Mondays 7pm Social Group - over 50's **Golden Circle** Thursdays 2-3.30pm started 30<sup>th</sup> January 2020 **ALPHA COURSE** Thursday 7-9pm **Bible Study BIBLE STUDY** Saturday 10-12.00pm

**ALPHA COURSE** –We value your prayers. Please continue to pray for the success of the Alpha Course, the course members, the leaders and the volunteers. Thank you.

**GOD IN LOVE UNITES US** If you were unable to make the meeting at Aspull Methodist Church there other dates/venues available across the circuit please see church noticeboard for further details.

**TREASURED** – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 9.30-12.30. Circuit event for all in church who work with children, youth and families at Spencer Road Methodist Church.

**T'OTHERS FUNDRAISING EVENT** raised a grand total of £897.30. Thank you to the T'Others and all who helped to raise this fantastic amount. God bless all you give ©

**40ACTS 2020 26<sup>th</sup> February – 11<sup>th</sup> April 2020.** Why not give generously during Lent rather than give up? Consider signing up for the 40Acts Lent challenge. 40 days, 40 random acts of kindness, 40 reflections, 40 challenges. https://40acts.org.uk/



## Prayer requests/prayer line

If you would like to join the Prayer Line please speak to Lynn Bates. If you want prayer for yourself, family or friends (you don't need to give details) just speak to anyone on the prayer team. This will be put on our confidential prayer line.

**Prayer meeting** Power House, **Monday 7pm** ALL WELCOME and please note that all prayer requests are confidential.

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**Prayer ministry team** – if you have a prayer request on your heart during the service please go forward for prayer and spend some time with a member of our prayer ministry team (wearing red lanyards).

The editors of the **Methodist Prayer Handbook** are seeking photographs for the next edition to illustrate how our churches and members are helping the environment. Photos must include at least one person and should be emailed to prayerhandbook@methodistchurch.org.uk and you can read the full submission guidelines on the Methodist website <a href="https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/prayer/methodist-prayer-handbook/">https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/prayer/methodist-prayer-handbook/</a>

**VE DAY** We, as a Church, are joining with St Elizabeth's Church and The One House to make poppies which will be displayed outside of Church in May, for the VE Day anniversary. The poppies are made using the bottom of plastic bottles. Could everyone please save any plastic water / pop bottles (sizes can be 2 Litre, 1 Litre or the 500ml size) and pass them to Lisa Brabrook. Please save the bottle caps too. Milk cartons etc **cannot** be used. All other materials are being provided by The One House.

#### FREE TO ANYONE WHO CAN COLLECT:

- 1. An upright piano in good condition. To enquire, please get in touch with Jean in the circuit office it is surplus to my needs.
- 2. A raised reclining chair with footrest in beige also in good condition ideal for anyone with mobility problems.

Contact Jean Budworth at: wiganmethodist@outlook.com or ring the circuit office on 01942 321328.

**Methodist Women in Britain** <u>District Day.</u> Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2020 9:30am - 1:30pm Kingsleigh Methodist Church 73 King St, Leigh, WN7 4BT.Various stalls; Books, Jewellery, Fair Trade etc . ALL WELCOME – includes soup lunch.



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