

Wesley Place Methodist Church,
Lawton Road, Alsager

The Messenger



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August, 2018

Welcome to worship today. We are pleased that you are able to join us. Whether you are visiting briefly or are new to Wesley Place we hope that you feel at home and among friends. Please introduce yourself to one of the stewards.

Sunday 5th August 2018

10:30am Holiday Club All Age Worship

Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service

6:30pm Service led by Mrs Michelle Holland - Alternative Worship

God of mercy, as we rejoice in the resurrection of your Son,
the Bread of Life, feed us with your plenty
and increase in us compassion for the hungry;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

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Message from our Minister

Dear Friends,

As many of you will know, as well as being minister at Wesley place, I am the Circuit Superintendent, overseeing churches and staff across South Cheshire - Crewe, Nantwich, Sandbach, and Whitchurch, and many villages inbetween.

Across the circuit, there is some tiredness and sense of coming to the end of the Methodist work and witness. Two chapels have closed this year. In many other places there is a hope and willingness to try new ways of seeking the guidance of God to witness to our faith and share it. The heading we've coined around the Circuit is "A Faithful and Fruitful Future".

Two initiatives at Circuit level I'd like to take this opportunity to advertise are the Circuit Farm service, and a day of prayer.

Sunday 2nd Sep is an Open Air Celebration on a farm with children's activities, families and indeed all ages welcome. Bring your own deckchair, wellies and appropriate clothes, and a drink and snack if want to. The afternoon, between 3 and 5 pm, will involve worship in the middle of a working farm at milking time, and should give us a great start to the new Methodist year. This is at Top of the Town Farm, Heatley Farm Rd off Heatley Lane, Broomhall CW5 8BA. (Your Sat Nav won't get you right to the farm, follow signs on Heatley Lane, and a steward will guide you the last few yards down the farm track).

Then on Friday 21st Sep we begin 24 hours of Praying for a Faithful and Fruitful future. The Chair of District Peter Barber and myself will follow the sun from Noon on Friday until Noon on Saturday 22nd, as we sweep west through the circuit visiting most Mission Areas. We in Alsager start at the new Oakhanger Centre between noon and 1.00pm - please come to join in prayer for Wesley Place and Oakhanger to have a Faithful and Fruitful Future. Anyone willing to sep up a prayer station, or lead a few prayers, please let me know. (there is ample parking behind the new centre in Oakhanger).

As well as here on a Sunday, looking forward to seeing you at one of these two events.

Godbless,

Rob

Diary for Week Beginning Monday 6th August, 2018

Mon: 2pm-4pm: Monday fun - table top games

Tues: 2:30-3:30pm: Tea and Chat

Wed: 9:30am: Walking Fellowship meet at Wesley Place

10.00am: Church open for prayer from 10 to 12 noon with
“Time Out” at 10:30. Followed by Tea and Biscuits

Sat: 10am-12noon: Action for Children Coffee Morning

Dates for your Diary

9 August - Family Fun Day

21 August - Family Fun Day

31 August - Youth Event

3 September- Brereton Heath Family Fun Day

4 September- Worship Consultation

14-16 September- Church Family Weekend

19 September- 150 Anniversary Meeting

6 October - Barn Dance and Plougman’s Supper

7 October- Harvest

Summer Fun Days

Thursday August 9th 11am-4pm Milton Park

Tuesday August 21st 11am-4pm: Wood Park

Friday 31st August 11am-2pm: Youth Event at Wood Park

Monday 3rd September 10am-4pm approx.: Brereton Heath

See Jonny Newbould our Lay Worker for more details.

Services in August

Sunday 5th August

10:30am Holiday Club All Age Worship

6:30pm Service led by Mrs Michelle Holland - Alternative Worship

Sunday 12th August

10:30am Service led by Rev Jennie Henshall - Holy Communion

6:30pm Readers Service

Sunday 19th August

10:30am Service led by Rev Rob Hilton

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Sunday 26th August

10:30am Service led by Miss Norma Stolworthy

6:30pm Service led by Mr Ian White

Service at Milton House

12th August

Rev Jim Needham

Regular activities held this month

Monday Fun every Monday with Stamp Party 2pm-4pm

Tuesday Tea and Chat 2:30pm

Walking Fellowship meet at Wesley Place at 9:30am 8th and 22nd

Midweek prayer - Wednesday 10:30am followed by tea and biscuits

Breakfast Housegroup meet 8:45am on the first Thursday of the month

CAMEO Ladies meet 10am at Astbury Garden Centre on the 3rd Thursday of the month (16th)

Men's Breakfast 8:45am 18th August

Action for Children Coffee Morning - Saturdays 10am-12 noon

Brereton Park Family Fun Day 3rd Sept

Sanbach Methodist Church invite you to a family fun day at Brereton Country park on the 3rd September 10:30 till 3:30. Kayaking, Building Bridges, Orienteering, team games. The day is organised by the Oakhanger Project. To book call 07999151036. See poster for more details.

Tea & Chat

Tuesday afternoons 2-30-3-30pm

Come along and spend time with friends, make new ones. Open to all young old fat thin male female rich poor all welcome.

Women's fellowship does not meet during July/August so we are trying this new venture during the summer to see how it goes, come September who knows where God will have led us!!

We will make a charge of £1 for Tea/Coffee & a biscuit all profit to church funds

Hope to see YOU Tuesday

Circuit Service 3pm on Sunday 2nd September

This will be held on Top of the Town Farm, Heatley Farm Rd off Heatley Lane, Broomhall CW5 8BA at 3pm. We are looking forward to this as an opportunity to gather all ages together for a fun afternoon and to pray for a Faithful and Fruitful Future as the Cheshire South Circuit. Please do all you can to invite people to attend including, if possible, offering transport from your churches.

Data Protection for Methodist Church

The Circuit requires church members to have their own email address and not a shared email. If you currently have a shared email address please let the minister and the relevant secretary of the Church Committee and/or Church Council you attend, your own individual email address ASAP.

Wesley Place 150th Anniversary

As most of you probably know it is the 150th anniversary of our church next year and planning is underway for a time of celebration, outreach and fundraising to commemorate 150 years of Wesley Place's presence in Alsager. An open meeting is going to be held at 6.30pm on 19th September for anyone who is interested in helping with the organisation of this big event in the life of the church. All are welcome to attend, even if you just want to listen, so do come and join in (there may well be cake!). Also, if you are on social media look out for a new Wesley Place Facebook group for the 150th anniversary and use the hashtag #ISOllovewesleyplace!

Harvest 2018

It may be summer now but Harvest will soon be upon us on 6th and 7th October. The theme for this year is British Farming and the Harvest Event on Saturday the 6th will be a Harvest Ceilidh (that's Barn Dance to you and me) with a Ploughman's Supper. More details will follow but make sure to put the date in your diary and dig out your dancing shoes!

Wesley Place Church Family Weekend

September 14th – 16th 2018

The weekend is fast approaching, and we would like to remind all those who have signed up that we need final payment by August 19th, as the church has to pay the balance to Willersley Castle by that time. The costs outstanding are:

- Adults £141 (assuming that the £25 deposit has already been paid, otherwise £166)
- Children: 0-4 are free, 5-11 are £83 each, 12-16 are £125 each.

Please could you pay the required amount to either Jenny Marshall, or Janet McKie by that date. If anyone who has not made a booking would like to come on the weekend, there are a few spaces still available, so please talk to Jenny as soon as possible.



Methodist Women
in Britain

Chester & Stoke on Trent District

invites you to bring your bear to a

Teddy Bears' Tea Party



at **Wellspring Methodist Church,**
Canal Rd, Congleton, CW12 3AP

on **Saturday 18 August 2018**

Afternoon tea will be served from 2 - 4.30pm.

'Butterfly' themed Bring & Buy stall,
Fairtrade and Resources stalls,

plus 3 competitions for your Teddies:
most well-loved - wisest - best dressed

Tickets £1 plus donations for refreshments

Proceeds for the President's project:
Hope for Justice

By Public Transport: use bus service 91 from Congleton bus station, alight at hospital.

Minister: Rob Hilton (01270) 872597 robakiddles@icloud.com - Day off Friday

Lay Worker: Jonathan Newbould 07799 192626 jonathannewbould@aol.com

Senior Steward Team: Issy Brislen - brislen.isabel2@gmail.com (01270) 878753

Janet Keen - janetkeen4@yahoo.co.uk (01270) 874698

Booking Secretary: Ann Pask (01270) 879633

Notices for Pew Leaflet and Projector:

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and Andrew Tyrell email: andrew@tyrells.co.uk

by **Wednesday 8pm** please.

Church e-mail address - wesley.place.777@gmail.com

Wesley Place facebook page - Wesley Place church

If you miss a copy of the pew leaflet or would like to see photos of what has been happening here at Wesley Place you can find them on the Wesley Place website - www.wesley-place.org.uk

Visit the Circuit website (www.cheshiresouth.org.uk)

for the Circuit news letter and forthcoming events.

A paper copy of the weekly news letter is available to read on the Circuit notice



Birthdays in August

Ronnie and Rodney Moyo Happy 14th

Olivia Lindblad Happy 13th

Katie and Fergus Morley-Smith Happy 10th

Phoebe Wilmot Happy 6th

Robert Brennen Happy 14th

Leah Rawlinson Happy 19th

Hannah Croissant Happy 8th

Lots of love and best wishes

from all your friends at Wesley Place