

PALM SUNDAY NOTICES

Bamber Bridge Methodist Church | Minister: Rev. Andrew Webb | 01772 323818



Today's services

- 0950 Quiet Room open for prayer
- 1030 Morning worship
- 1830 Evening service by local arrangement

Notices

Please send notices to Luke Bosman no later than 1700 on Monday for inclusion in the next edition. Items which are received later will be included as time permits.

notices@bbmc.shrimper.org.uk
07500 709710

Should anyone wish to help with the notices, even if only once in a blue moon, offers of help will be gratefully received!

Easter Sunday

On Easter Sunday we will be transforming our Lenten cross by decorating it with flowers as part of our service. If you are able, please bring a flower of your choice to place in the cross. There will be some flowers available for those who are unable to bring their own.

Once again there will be breakfast and communion on Easter Morning. All are welcome to attend. In order to help with catering arrangements, please can you indicate your intention to attend on the sheet in the rear meeting room.

Thank you,

The Stewards

April Prayer Thoughts

I am not going to be able to produce the regular prayer diary for April due to Margaret being in hospital at the moment.

I would ask you to remember in your prayers during April the following two topics; the Sick and the World.

Please pray for the Sick in our church, the local community and the World. Give thanks to God for the skill, dedication and compassion of those who care for the sick.

Pray for the World which at the moment seems to be in a terrible state.

Eric Chatburn

Thank You

Susan and Georgia would like to thank those who sent cards, offered help, offered a quiet word of hope and gave practical help during their recent bereavement. Our thanks must also go to Rev. Webb for his wonderfully executed service Ann would have been proud of.

Singing With Friends

Tuesday, 27th March at 1915: £2

Come and join Skylarks Community Choir for a singalong concert of songs you will know here at Bamber Bridge Methodist Church. All the words will be on the screen so feel free to join in!

There will be an Easter raffle and part of the proceeds will be going to the Women's Refuge.

Several ladies and one lone gentleman from church attend this choir and have a lovely fun time. We would love it if our church family would like to support us on this evening.

Please see any of the choir members for more information.

Desley Jefferson

Storm Emma

Lammack Methodist Church in the West Pennine Moors Circuit has suffered substantial damage to the roof as a result of Storm Emma. Please remember the Minister, Revd Stuart Smith and congregation in your prayers, as they make alternative arrangements until the building is available for use again. There is much support from the local community, including the primary school, the pub (with which the church shares a car park) and a strong relationship with the local Muslim Prayer Room.

Bamber Bridge War Memorials

Bill Brierley writes: I have been working for some time researching the men from Bamber Bridge (and Lostock Hall) who were killed in the first world war. It has always struck me as odd that Bamber Bridge has no single war memorial for all the men from the village who died, but rather the four separate memorials and rolls of honour. I have made several presentations at St Saviour's and St Mary's on the topic and will be doing so again at St Mary's in May, but I thought it would be appropriate in the centenary year of the Armistice to make all my work available to a wider audience via the Internet. I have set the website up and loaded information relevant to 1914 and 1915 so before I go any further I thought I would ask for feedback. The site is at <http://bit.ly/bamberbridgewarmemorial>

Please have a look and let me know what you think. I am more than happy for the website address to be shared with people from Bamber Bridge (and more widely of course) so if you have websites of your own, or parish magazines etc, I would be delighted if you could publicise the web address as widely as possible.

Many thanks to all of you who have shown interest in my work and supported me in the past.

No Faith In Fracking Monday 23 - Friday 27 April



Location:
Cuadrilla Fracking Site
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No Faith in Fracking Week at Preston New Road offers a space and a welcome for people moved by faith and spirit to express in their various and distinctive ways our shared resistance to fracking and our care for Earth. Please help the week to blossom by passing on the word. **Everyone is welcome.**

To bring your group or organise an activity please contact us by email.

Volunteering In Schools

The Burnley Faith centre is coordinating a project for Lancashire schools to strengthen teaching and learning in Religious Education and Citizenship as well as the related Spiritual, Moral, Social, Cultural framework; and to promote interfaith and cultural understanding and bring the curriculum to life. Over 50 schools, mainly primary, have signed up for this service; this is now creating a problem of capacity— **more volunteers are needed to go into schools to talk about their own experience of faith, especially from a Christian tradition.**

A training session is planned for 1830 on Tuesday, 24th April at Burnley Faith Centre.

If you are interested, and would like to know more, contact Peter Lumsden, or Jemma Wraight (Jemma works at Burnley Central Methodist and at the Faith centre).

Jemma Wraight: bookings@twsf.lancs.sch.uk
Peter Lumsden, District Inter Faith Dialogue Officer pjlumsden58@gmail.com

Easter Period Notices

As I will probably be away from reliable internet access during the week from Easter Sunday, the deadline for the notices dated 8th April will be **Good Friday at 1200 hrs.** Please ensure that any notices are sent to me at notices@bbmc.shrimper.org.uk by then.

Forthcoming Events

* Denotes a weekly event.

Wednesday, 28th March

0830 Ecumenical prayer gathering
at St. Mary's, Brownedge

Thursday, 29th March

1000–1130 Coffee morning*
1200–1300 Lunch (£4)*
1300–1500 Craft club
1930 Maundy Thursday service at
Trinity, Gregson Lane

Friday, 30th March

1000 Good Friday united worship at
BBMC
1100 Ecumenical Open Air service
at the Withy Trees

Saturday, 31st March

1000–1200 Coffee morning*

Easter Sunday, 1st April

0830 Communion breakfast
1030 Celebration service with
communion
1800 Life and Soul party

Thursday, 5th April

1000–1130 Coffee morning*
1200–1300 Lunch (£4)*
1300–1500 Craft club

Saturday, 7th April

1000–1200 Coffee morning*

Sunday, 8th April

1600 SPACE at Fulwood MC (No
evening service at BBMC)

Monday, 9th April

1815–1915 Rainbows*
1830–2000 Brownies*

Tuesday, 10th April

1330–1500 Toddler Group*

Thursday, 12th April

1115–1145 Midweek Communion service

Friday, 13th April

1900–1930 Music group*
1930 Youth club*

Saturday, 21st April

0745 Prayer breakfast
1300–1500 Messy Church

Sunday, 22nd April

1830 Evening service

Sunday, 29th April

1600 Healing & Wholeness service
at Ashton MC (No evening
service at BBMC)

Please note that audio recordings of morning services are once again available. They can be downloaded from the church website or from iTunes. Alternatively, just ask Luke Bosman or one of the stewards if you require a copy in an alternative format.

The church has a loop system for hearing aid users. If you experience difficulty hearing the service, please let the sound desk operator know as soon as possible— it's sometimes easier to remedy problems during a service than to discuss them afterwards.

The notices are available in A4 or A5 size. If you would like a larger print version, please ask.