

Circuit Notices

In our attempt to cut down the amount of printing that local Churches need to do, We have removed the lists of 'regular' activities. Often people are passing by notices that appear week after week. For a time, we are going to advertise specific – non repeating activities/events. If you have dates you would like publicising just let us know.

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Rudyard Methodist Church

Staffordshire Moorlands Circuit Fellowship Group @
Rudyard Methodist Church

Time for Tea, Coffee & Chat with Deacon Peter Ogle meeting at 1:30pm on the 2nd Tuesday of every month:

Tuesday 8th April

Tuesday 13th May

Tuesday 10th June

Tuesday 8th July

Tuesday 9th September

Tuesday 14th October

Tuesday 11th November

Tuesday 9th December

Come and enjoy fellowship over a cuppa, with time to sing a well-loved hymn or two and a prayer.

For more information email Peter at deaconpeter9@gmail.com. Everyone is very welcome – Hope to see you there.

Tea, Coffee & Chat at

Wetley Rocks Methodist Church

With Rev Joyce Smith

Monday 7th April 2-4pm

Monday 5th May 2-4pm

Monday 2nd June 2-4pm

Come and enjoy fellowship over a cuppa, with time to sing a well-loved hymn or two and a prayer.

Everyone is very welcome - Hope to see you there.



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Ipstones Methodist Church

'TASTE & SEE'

Ladies Craft Group

March 20th @ 7.30 p.m.

In the Schoolroom.

Contact Sarah

07531 838982

COFFEE, TOAST, CAKE & CHAT

Tuesday April 1st

10.00 a.m. to 12 noon.

In the Schoolroom.

Trinity Church in Derby Street, Leek will be open between 12 noon and 1.30 p.m. on five Wednesdays in Lent (12th, 19th, 26th March, 2nd April and 9th April) and will provide soup, a roll, butter and a drink for £5 in aid of Christian Aid. Please come and join us for a tasty lunch!

Waterhouses Methodist Church
COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Thursday March 27th

11.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Donation to Church Funds



Things you may not know

Boundary Chapel meet for Bible study and Prayer fortnightly from March 3rd at 7:30pm. Contact Anne Brown for further information
Tel - 01538 755788.

St Andrews, Cheddleton have two new groups starting:

Weekly Prayer Group on a Tuesday Morning from 09:30-10:00am

Mid-week fellowship – Every Thursday at 14:00pm

Further information from Marion Aston

April Dabble & Do

Tuesday 15th April 10-12noon



Theme...Easter New life

A morning of creative Christian fantastic family fun with the Gathering and St Andrew's Churches together.

We prepare and provide everything and clean up after. You come along with the kids and have fun together.

Craft is aimed at 5-9yr olds but all are welcome, younger children may need closer supervision

ALL FREE OF CHARGE

At St Andrews's Church, Ostlers Lane, Cheddleton

For further information email discoverstandrews@gmail.com

Save the Date.....

Dabble & Do dates Tuesday 27th May 10-12noon

Summer Holiday Clubs 2025

We will meet to discuss plans for the summer on May 12th at 7.30pm at St Andrew's Methodist Church, Cheddleton.

Please send someone to represent your Church if you want to join in this conversation.

Faith as ART

5 FREE Workshops

You are warmly invited to the workshops which are open to all regardless of ability or faith. Please bring your own art materials of choice. In each session we look at digital images of two contemporary artworks by various artists and how they have interpreted the theme of Water... A greater part of each session is for the creation of your own artworks inspired by the theme.

If you would like to attend any of the workshops, please contact Simon at simon@spw-design.co.uk or call Revd. Denise at 01782 503231.

Session one only: 10am – 12noon

Tuesday 4th March. Session one – Creation of Water.

All other sessions: 2pm – 4pm

Tuesday 18th March. Session two – The Great Flood.

Tuesday 1st April. Session three – Baptism.

Tuesday 29th April. Session four – Jesus Walking on Water.

Tuesday 13th May. Session five – Washing of the feet.

at Endon Methodist Church

Background image – "Living Water"



Endon
Methodist Church
Station Road, Endon ST9 9DR



A Prayer Walk around Rudyard

Monday 31st March

Starting at Rudyard Methodist Church

The Prayer Walk will be led by Deacon Peter Ogle
and will begin at 10am.

All welcome – No booking required

For more information contact Deacon Peter at
deaconpeter9@gmail.com

Rudyard Methodist Church
Lake Road, Rudyard, ST13 8RN

Circuit Lent Groups 2025 in the following Locations

Ipstones Vicarage – Weekly from Tuesday 11th March at 7pm
(Churches Together)

Wellspring Methodist Church, Cheadle – Friday Afternoons at 2pm- Beginning
14th March (Churches Together)

Endon Methodist Church – Thursdays at 10.30 or 19.00
in the Chapter House
at St Lukes Church, Endon
13th, 20th, 27th March, 3rd & 10th April

Inspired by the film *Chocolat*, as a starting point to explore issue about God, the world, and what it means to be human. Five weekly sessions on the themes of: -

- Giving Up: The prelude to change
- Giving Out: The power of a gift
- Getting Wise: The possibility of change
- Getting Real: The power of acceptance
- Growing Up: The process of change.

Please speak to Rev Denise Williamson for further details

Trinity Church, Leek – Sunshine and Showers: **The Bible's Beautiful Strangeness**. Beginning Monday 3rd March at 2.30pm in the Lower Hall and will be held at this time for the following 5 weeks ending on 7th April. Sessions include Whose Word is it? Is the bible trustworthy? Did it really happen? Is the bible clear? Is it a rule book? Is it relevant today?

Please let Teresa in Trinity Office know if you would like to attend.

Wetley Rocks Methodist Church – See Poster Below



THE LAST WEEK

Journey with us through Mark's account of each day during Jesus' last week, the journey that leads to the cross. Who does he encounter, what happens, and what do we learn about Jesus - and ourselves?

Join us on Wednesdays from 2.30p.m.
at Wetley Rocks Methodist Church

• on 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th March and 2nd, 9th April 2025



St Andrew's Methodist Church Cheddleton

and

The Gathering Church

Church and Community Engagement Leader

We are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic and dedicated Church and Community Engagement Leader to join our team and help us to make a meaningful impact in our church and community.

Key responsibilities:

- Build strong relationships with church members and wider community
- Plan and lead worship on Sunday afternoons
- Plan and lead community outreach programmes and events
- Work alongside Church Minister, Volunteers and Church Leadership to carry out the mission of the Churches
- Recognise opportunities to inspire and lead people in their faith journey

What we offer:

- An enthusiastic team to work with
- 37 hours/week post worked flexibly including Sunday afternoons
- Salary £29,072pa
- Length of contract - 4 years fixed term
- Ongoing training and support, locally and across the Chester and Stoke-on-Trent District
- 6% employer's pension
- 31 days leave inc. bank holidays + weekdays between Christmas Day and New Year's Day

For a job information pack, please contact: admin@staffmoorlandsmethodists.org.uk

Please email completed application form to admin@staffmoorlandsmethodists.org.uk

Applications by closing date 28th April 2025 at 9am

Interviews – 14th May 2025. Post expected to begin - 1st July 2025

If you would like an informal chat about this post, please email our Senior Circuit Steward philip.mann@psmann.plus.com to arrange a time for a conversation.



Children and Families Work in Staffordshire Moorlands Methodist Circuit

Godly Play

Each half term Rev Julie &/or Marion Aston go into Schools to deliver Godly play stories.

Endon, Cheddleton, Cheadle, Tean, Ipstones, Waterhouses

This is well received, we share a story and consider some wondering questions and spend some time creating using pencil crayons, clay or collage. We do always make the point we come from the Methodist Church.

In addition, sometimes when classes visit the churches, we share a story too.

Hope Journeys

Also, before Christmas the Y2 classes came to church in Leek, Endon and Cheddleton for the Hope Journey thinking about the Christmas story in the church. We were supported by Rev Denise, Mark Hatcher, volunteers in the churches. In the Cheadle and Tean schools we went out to the schools and used similar materials. A good time was had by all.

Another Hope Journey is planned for Y5/Y4 In the lead up to Easter. This will explore the Easter Story. Rev Denise, Mark and other volunteers are helping to deliver this in the above places. Thanks to or existing volunteers. Any more volunteers would be appreciated.

Children and Families Worker

Mark Hatcher still leads the Youth club in Endon on a Friday night with volunteers. Numbers are low but slowly picking up. He also runs a Christian themed craft group in school in Cheddleton and has joined in with the Dabble and Do craft mornings at St Andrew Cheddleton in the school holidays.

Every week he runs Little Angels at Wellspring Tean and Bounce in Wellspring Cheadle both groups are for toddlers and carers and are well attended. Mark also leads Messy church which happens once a month at Wellspring with volunteers.

Holiday Club

Mark will be leading a Holiday club in the summer for 3 days – he is hoping to agree dates soon. The format will be similar to previous years. There is a meeting to share ideas 12th May at St Andrews in Cheddleton 7.30pm. We are hoping this will happen in Cheadle, Leek and Endon. At St Andrews we will continue with Dabble & Do. Ipstones also hope to have one or two morning activities for families during the summer holidays.

Marion Aston March 2025

Circuit Meeting Update

At last weeks Circuit meeting, trustees agreed the following:

- Circuit accounts were approved for the year to August 2024
- It was agreed to sell the former Meerbrook Methodist Church
- The job description for a Full Time Lay post in Cheddleton was authorised and this post will be advertised this week (See Above)

Speak to your Circuit Meeting reps for more information