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Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church



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Dear members and friends of Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church,

there a couple of things that I wish to highlight here that are taking place this month at CHMC.

On October 13th we are hosting the monthly Circuit **Heartbeat** hour of prayer for the first time. This has been running now for a year and is its first visit to us. It provides an opportunity for people from across the Circuit to join together in prayer, primarily to pray for the host church but also to pray for the other Circuit churches. In this way, we are regularly seeking God's presence, underpinning what we are doing in prayer and offering mutual support. Through *Heartbeat*, people can also get to know one other and each other's churches better.

Heartbeat is not a prayer meeting where everyone sits around in a circle to pray. Rather, there is something of an introduction, followed by the opportunity for individuals to move around various prayer stations to be quiet, reflect and pray, with the session being brought to a close together at the end. If you are able, please come along on October 13th at 10am to share in this time of prayer.



On the following day, October 14th, we will be holding our annual **Memorial Service** at 3pm. In particular, we invite those who have been bereaved during the last couple of years to this service, but anyone is welcome. This is a short service with hymns, prayers and readings and space to remember loved ones and give thanks for their lives. It is also a way of supporting those who are still working through feelings of grief and loss.

Finally, I would like to offer a word of explanation about something which should have taken place last month but will now happen in November. As a part of CHMC's 50th anniversary celebrations, some runners from the church

(including myself) are seeking to run 50k between us to raise money for various charitable causes* .

We were meant to be running at Heaton Park on September 2nd but (due to a clash of events at the park) we are now aiming to do this this on November 25th. Hopefully I will be in a fit enough state to conduct the evening service here at CHMC on that day!

May you know God's love and peace, day by day.

Philip.

* The charities for which we are raising money are Beechwood Cancer Care Centre, Retrak, Smile Train UK and Victa. If you would like to support us in our fundraising, you can donate online by going to <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com> and searching for Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church Runners. Alternatively, there is a sheet on the moveable noticeboard in the narthex which you can sign.

Come and Worship

Sunday 7th October

10.30am All-age worship led by Pat James and Revd Philip Peacock, including the baptisms of William and Emily Hall.

6.30pm Revd Philip Peacock: Iona-style service.

Saturday 13th October

10.00am. Our church is hosting the Circuit's *Heartbeat* Hour of Prayer (See the letter from Philip)

Sunday 14th October

10.30am Holy Communion Service with prayers for wholeness and healing led by Revd Philip Peacock. Young Church and Reflect.

3.00pm Memorial Service (See letter from Philip)

6.30pm Worship in the coffee lounge with a video (Nooma) and discussion.

Sunday 21st October

10.00 for 10.30am *Taste* in the church hall.

10.30am Revd Katy Thomas: World Church Sunday.

6.30pm Evening worship led by Bob Bartindale.

Sunday 28th October

10.30am Informal worship in coffee lounge.

10.30am Morning worship led by Revd Charles Nevin.

6.30pm Holy Communion Service with prayers for wholeness and healing led by Revd Louise Gough.

Sunday 11th November

Morning worship will start at **10.50am** so that those who wish to do so can join with the wider community at the war memorial prior to this service.

Evening Worship

The eagle-eyed amongst you will notice a change in pattern for evening worship in the autumn. In September, Holy Communion took place on the 16th, but in October and November Holy Communion with prayers for Healing and Wholeness will take place on the fourth Sundays. This will mean that the morning and evening communion services will be more evenly spread during the month – 2nd Sundays in the morning, 4th Sundays in the evening. This pattern will no doubt be interrupted for special services e.g. around Christmas.

The last of our series of 'Coffee Lounge Worship' with discussion will include a Rob Bell "Nooma" video on October 14th. Everyone welcome.

Please put Nov 11th in your diaries as we commemorate the centenary of the ending of World War 1. In addition to a traditional Remembrance Day service in the morning, join us from 4-7pm for a sing-along to wartime tunes and a light tea before a short reflective evening service.

Pam Howie

Evening Worship Co-ordinator.



PRAYING TOGETHER

A year already since that memorable sermon last August, stressing the need for the Church to pray, followed up by a member of the Leadership Team endorsing that call.

This certainly seemed to be a word from God - for us to come together to listen, to pray, and to seek His will for this church, as we look to the future. And so we have met monthly to pray together.

We began last Autumn by “looking up”, reminding ourselves of the greatness and infinite power of the God to whom we come, and yet of his personal knowledge and care for his people (thoughts based on Isaiah 40).

Then we have prayed for the church here – for various aspects of its life and work; we have been challenged to think about the nature of our corporate life, as we considered our threefold Mission Statement; we continue to pray for the community in which we live – that we would be people who bring hope and “good news” to those around us.

As a part of our 50th Anniversary, we prayed for the charities supported by our church, remembering that their work is worth “more than gold”. We joined the “Global Wave of Prayer”, as we continued to pray for friends and family members who do not yet know Jesus for themselves. And we have participated in the District Days of Prayer - with the aid of a huge map of the District, praying for places and organizations where the light of the Kingdom is already becoming evident.

So, how do we pray together? Sometimes we have prayed silently, individually, using information placed at Prayer Stations around the Sanctuary; we have prayed in small groups; we have prayed in a larger group, reading prayers together. We have always had prepared material, or Scripture passages, to inform our praying. Different ways of praying, but importantly, coming before God together, as part of His family here.

And what about “listening”? From the start it seemed important that we allow time, when we can be still, and hear what God is saying to us. We have tried to have times of “reflection” each time we have met, and in June our Prayer Morning was on the theme of “Listening Prayer” - we were challenged as Bob took us to the early church in Antioch, with its leaders fasting, praying and worshipping together (Acts 13 : 1 – 3) From their time of listening to God, came the missionary journeys of Paul and his companions. Who knows what may result from our times of “seeking God” together!

Future Prayer Mornings – these are the dates planned for the next few months:-

- October 13
- November 10
- December 8

Our prayer morning in October will be part of “Heartbeat” which each month takes place in a different church within the Circuit, and is usually led by Louise Gough, Chris Goddard/Sue Markell.

Do come and pray, if you are able – this is something in which all of us can be involved (although at the moment we do not have provision for children)

If you would like to join with others, to pray for this church, but perhaps Saturday morning is not a good time for you, or if you have any suggestions to make concerning “Praying Together”, please have a word with a member of the Leadership Team.



Calling all Singers and Musicians!

How would you like to be a founding member of a new musical group for evening worship? If you can hold, puff, strum or bow a note, if you have an hour or two spare one Sunday afternoon a month and would like to support the small but enthusiastic evening congregation, then this could be your call up! We aim to rehearse for an hour or two before the service on the third Sunday of the month.

Let us know if you are interested and then turn up with whatever you need to make music. We have music stands and a drum kit can be rustled up on request.

Please pass on this information to anyone you know who might be interested.

Pam Howie and Andrea Clark

Quiet Room

Don't forget we have a quiet room, Room 2, which is available each Sunday from 9.45 - 10.15am and 5.45 - 6.15pm for everyone. This is for quiet reflection, personal preparation for worship and to pray for those involved in leading worship

If you would like someone to pray with you after a service there will be a member of the Prayer Team in the prayer space at the back of the Church.

Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church Plate

Does anyone have a plate number 4 in the collection that was produced in 1987 that they no longer want? It is the one depicting the church as we know it today.

Over the years I have managed to find the other three plates but this one eludes me.

I would be more than happy to purchase it from you. Let me know if you can help me complete my collection. Many thanks

Andrew Mason

Church Family

Baptisms

We welcomed William David Ian Hall and Emily Lynda Christine Hall into our church family by baptism on October 7th.

Please pray that we as a church may keep the promise we make to children who are baptised at CHMC – i.e. to ‘maintain the Church’s life of worship and service that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.’

Bereavement

A service to celebrate the life of Ernest Joseph Kelly took place at Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church on Thursday 13th September. Please continue to remember his family in your prayers.

Congratulations

to Margaret Pattie who will be 80 years old on 24th October

Thanks

Norman and Margaret Parker are most grateful to friends from church who have helped us in the recent difficult weeks with flowers, meals, visits, lifts to hospitals, prayers and emails.

Thanks

All the family of Ernest Kelly express their grateful thanks to everyone for all the thoughtful messages of sympathy. The common thread in the messages refer to a caring, generous, determined, strong, thoughtful man, a gentle man and a Gentleman, a character with a sense of humour.

Transport



If any church member is aware of someone who cannot come to the Sunday Morning Service for lack of transport please let me know

George Lea

Flower Visitor

for October is Jane Kemp



In our prayers

we remember in our prayers those who have been in hospital during the last month and those who are very poorly.

We continue to pray for those who are listed in our prayer book

Ernest Joseph Kelly

Ernest was born on 31st August 1927 to Frank and Agnes Kelly and was followed two years later by his sister, Monica. As a child he had a lot of freedom to play, plan and construct with his friends. During the ages of 13 - 15 Ernie went to Stretford Technical School where he learnt the skills of Technical Drawing and engineering. When he left he worked as an office boy in the Drawing Office at Fords in Old Trafford and at 17 he joined the army as a volunteer. He was in the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry at Bodmin for his basic training and was then posted to REME HQ at Woolwich where he worked in the drawing office. He was subsequently posted at Colchester, Edinburgh, Ashford and Canterbury.

On leaving the army Ernest worked for Simon Carves based in Cheadle Heath, Stockport and then Cheadle Hulme. He loved working at Simons, he said there was a real family atmosphere there and the work was interesting. He eventually became a Project Manager in mechanical handling and worked on conveyers, elevators for factories. He made lifelong friendships with some of his colleagues continuing to socialise outside of work and he still met up for reunions.

On retirement he and many others missed the "work family" so they set up a last- Friday-of-the-month-club, meeting up for fish and chips.

Whilst at Simons Ernest met Louise, dated and then married her.

He joined Cheadle Methodist Church where Louise was already a member. Then, with a home move, they transferred to Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church which was full of active members. The church has played a big part in the life of the family and Ernest continued to enjoy wonderful support, emotional as well as spiritual, from his faith and being a member of the church family.

Within a couple of years children arrived - four in all - Helen, Christine, Judith and Martin.

They have many happy memories of their 'Dad'. Family times at home and holiday times. He always enjoyed sharing and being with the children with lots of fun times. Walking in the Lake District was a favourite and continued into retirement until it was too much for Louise so then they would take day trips to sit by a lake.

Then came the marriages of the four children where 'Mum and Dad' were supportive and helpful. From 1992 grandchildren came on the scene Samantha, Daniel, Nicholas, Florence, Otto, Magnus, Edie and Lola. Ernest loved spending time with the children and they loved 'helping' him.

Louise was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and Ernest cared for her for many years until she had to go to a Care Home which was very upsetting for Ernest. He had made many sacrifices for her but was committed to her care.

Ernest himself had a quadruple heart bypass which helped him very much. When he was 86 he moved into Dutton Court where he enjoyed the many social activities provided. Also while he was there he had four great-grandchildren Rory, Isaac, Roman and Eric all of whom he was extremely proud. The whole family was able to get together, in a manor house in the Peak District, to celebrate Ernest's 90th birthday.

On 5th August 2018 Ernest collapsed, and died a few days later, but his skills, knowledge and expertise live on in his family and he will always be remembered by everyone as a kind, loving, gentle person, always ready to help others and to laugh with them.

Ernest's family and Margaret Gulson

For Your Diary

Banner Group

Meets at 1.30pm on Tuesdays

Cameo

A meeting place for the elderly on Tuesdays 10.30am-2.00pm

Contact Group

resumes on 17th October at 2.30pm when there will be a short AGM and then Jenny Davies from "Signpost"

Focus

On 19th October we will be hearing about "A walk round the Berlin Wall" with John Cavanagh.

Foodbank

Continues on the second Sunday of the month, all gifts of fish and meat will be gratefully received

Foodbank Plus

see details in article on "Have you a local house to empty?"

Network

meets on Thursdays at 2.30pm

Reflective Worship

is on Tuesdays at 7-7.30pm

Refugee Crisis

A group still meets regularly to share information, and to PRAY about various aspects of this on-going crisis.

Everyone is welcome. We usually meet on the First Monday of each month, at 10.30am.

Please see the Sunday Notice Sheet for the venue

Rock Solid

is fortnightly (excluding school holidays) on Tuesdays at 7.00pm. Meeting this month will be on 9th October

Scouts

on Thursdays at 7.15pm

Singers

Meet together for practice on Wednesdays at 6.45pm

Third Wednesday lunch

is on 17th October at 12midday. All welcome but please let Jenni Hardman know if you are planning to come for catering purposes.

Toddlers

meet on Wednesdays at 10.30am

Baby Chat

is on Thursdays at 10.30am.

Tiddlywinks

on 12th and 26th October at 10.30am

Annual Sponsored Swim for Christian Aid

This year the sponsored swim is on Saturday morning, 10th November, at Cheadle Hulme School pool.

As usual it is for all ages and all abilities. Four swimmers at a time swim for 15 minutes and can use any stroke. Arm bands can be used if needed.

Sponsor forms will be available from me from 14th October. If you can help at all that morning please speak to me.

Hazel Crummett

Have you a local house to empty?

I have recently discovered local people who can make good use of our usual household furnishings.

The Food Bank we support has recently become a "Food Bank Plus".

The 'Plus' means they take pots, pans cutlery etc that still have useful life in them to offer to folk being re-housed in our area (eg. refugees who have arrived with nothing.) Currently they are open from 10-12am on Tues and Wed and from 12-2pm on Thursdays. www.chelwoodfoodbankplus.org

Large Furniture, eg: single beds and small bedroom chests are sometimes needed for use in the "Young Men's Hostel" 'Copperdale' in Wythenshawe. They teach upholstery skills to the hostellers who smarten up well used easy chairs and then sell them in support of the hostel.

An elderly Methodist couple recently appeared on the 'One Show' When young they decided to open their home, Copperdale, to local young homeless teenagers to give them an experience of family life for a year or two. They are still offering this and have up to eight young people at one time. When asked how many they have helped in this way the answer was 'over a thousand'

Other items of large or small furniture, useful objects and ornaments with some remaining beauty or usefulness are likely to be of interest to Margaret Lloyd.

On a Saturday, once a month, Margaret organises a Rummage Sale at Lawton Moor Methodist Church where such items are sold at tempting prices for the benefit of the church funds.

Anything not sold that day is immediately taken on to a church in Salford where "Everything disappears" as many people living there are refugees who are trying to set up home from nothing.

Margaret has a small and a large trailer which can attach to her car and she will arrive with a small army of volunteers who pack the trailer.

Margaret Clarke

Steve and Rosalind's News

This month marks 10 years since we transitioned from Africa to USA. We are grateful for how God continues to use people like you to provide for us to keep us serving in this ministry.

On 20th September we had a joy-filled service when we celebrated all the translations completed in the previous year. Also, on 29th September, JAARS celebrated 70 years since its foundation by Cameron Townsend.

The Mato are a small group situated on the border of two Provinces in Papua New Guinea. Twenty four years ago they requested that a translation project be started in their language. Recently they were presented with a copy of the New Testament. The pastor told of his joy and said how much he and the Mato people appreciated all funds and hard work that people all round the world had given to bring them to this moment.

The Keliko people of South Sudan have also received God's Word in their own language. This marks 1000 New Testament translations.

MEETING TOGETHER

People to contact

Sunday

Young Church 10.00 Pauline Moore

Great Heights 20.00

Tuesday

Cameo 10.30

Banner Making 14.00

Reflective Worship 19.00

Rock Solid 19.30

Wednesday

Toddler Group 10.30 Susie Metcalfe

Contact 14.30

The Singers 18.45

Thursday

Baby Chat 10.30 Susie Metcalfe

Network 14.30

Scouts 19.15

Friday

Tiddlywinks 10.30

Beavers 18.30

(6- 8years)Parish Rooms

Cubs 18.30

Thorn Grove Guide HQ

Focus 19.30

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