



Heaton Moor United Church

The United Reformed Church and The Methodist Church

working together in partnership



Sunday Services at Heaton Moor United Church

Services at 10:45 unless otherwise stated

8 th May	Martin Goddard	
15 th May	Rev. Dr Graham Adams	Communion Service
22 nd May	Rev Dr Raj Patta	General Church Meeting will follow the service – lunch will be provided
29 th May	Keith Tonge	

Additional Services

Wednesday 11 th May at 10:00	Short Communion Service	
Tuesday 17 th May at 14:00	Dementia Friendly Service Heaton Moor United Church	Short service followed by refreshments. All welcome

Additional Events at Heaton Moor Church

Monday 9 th May at 19:30 (takes place every other Monday)	Men's Fellowship
Tuesday 10 th May at 14:00	Ladies Fellowship
Wednesday 11 th May at 10:30 (takes place weekly)	Coffee Morning – All Welcome
Thursday 12 th May at 15:00	Messy Church
Saturday 14 th May at 10:00	Christian Aid Coffee Morning
Wednesday 18 th May at 10:00	Moor Than A Good Book
Saturday 21 st May at 13:00	Moor Than Mud – Muddy Church

MESSAGE FROM THE CO-EDITOR

Friday has come around again! I hope you all enjoyed the bank holiday weekend.

Although I haven't much to write I have been busy working, although this notice sheet doesn't reflect that! I can't decide if I am enjoying this slower pace after being manically busy for so long or if it is the quiet before the storm?!

We had our first Moor Than Tea on Thursday and although we were few in numbers it was lovely to be able to sit and spend time together.

Next week sees the return of Messy Church and it would be lovely to have you join us - this is not just for families, all are welcome!

As always if I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me

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Office Hours This Week

Monday 09:00 – 13:00

Tuesday 09:00 – 13:00

Wednesday 09:00 – 12:00

Thursday 11:00 – 14:00

Friday 11:00 – 13:00

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INFORMATION FOR NOTICES

Do you have news to share? We'd love to share members news in the notices. Perhaps you've been on holiday, celebrating a birth, need a Prayer? We are also happy to share information about community events you are involved in.

If you have any information you would like to go into the weekly notices, please contact

JoAnne directly either at the office, mobile 07340 269 354 or email

community@heatonmoorunitedchurch.org.uk

15-21 May 2022

Christian Aid Week

Dear Friends,

Christian Aid Week planning and action are already in place. I've committed to walk 300,000 steps during May, which is going well (although only Day 4!!!). I shall carry a bowl of porridge which symbolises, the only food Jessica often has to feed her children. Half the money raised will go to Zimbabwe where there is terrible drought and half to support the traumatised people of Ukraine.

If you would like to order a Cream Tea, (I can recommend them!) you can fill a small jam jar (outside the church office) or make a donation.

Please let Jean James know. You can pick them up at the coffee morning on Saturday 14 May, after church Sunday 15, or have one delivered to your home (it helps to clock up my steps!!)

By supporting Christian Aid, we support the world's poorest and most vulnerable people.

Love and thanks Jean

Christian Aid coffee morning on 14th May at 10:00.

In addition, our dementia friendly short service on Tuesday 17th May will be in support of Christian Aid. Do come along and join us for a 30-minute service followed by refreshments.



Messy Church is BACK! 12th May at 15:00

Messy Church is for all ages, not just families! Come and join us as we do Church with creativity, hospitality and celebration!

Doors open at 15:00, programme starts at 15:30, light snacks will be available.



Heaton Churches
Partnership

Come to the next HCP Prayer Meeting

On Saturday May 21st 2022,

7.45 for 8.00-9.00am



At Heaton Mersey Methodist Church, Cavendish Rd, Heaton Mersey, SK4 3DP



Worship at Home - Sunday 8 May

This short act of worship has been prepared for you to use at home. We invite you to spend a few moments with God, knowing that other people across the Methodist Connexion are sharing this act of worship with you.

Opening Prayer

Loving God, Creator, Son and Spirit we come to worship you,
Help us to encounter your love,
Your hope,
And your joy in this time
As those who worship in Spirit and in truth.
Amen

Hymn: StF 18 Be still and know that I am God
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c7rG3O1qchA>

Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am God.
Be still and know that I am God.

I am the Lord who saves and heals.
I am the Lord who saves and heals.
I am the Lord who saves and heals.

In you, O Lord, I put my trust.
In you, O Lord, I put my trust.
In you, O Lord, I put my trust.

*Anonymous
Based on Psalm 46:10-11*

Let us pray together

Loving God we come, we worship and adore you as the one we can trust.
The one who created our innermost being,
Who dreamed all we are and can be before we ever drew a breath. The one who has a plan and a purpose for us, and not only for us, but for all of creation.

Today, as we bring our whole selves to worship we remember that there are times when we don't live into all that we can be, we forget you, we neglect others, and we neglect ourselves.

Today's Reading from the New Testament

Acts 9: 36-43

Today's Gospel Reading:

John 10: 22-30

Time to Reflect

We hear these reading in both the shadow of a pandemic, and in the shadow of war, as I write these questions they are both still very present, so I ask you to reflect carefully:

1. What are your expectations of God at work among us? How do you respond to Peter's faith and prayer?
2. Does God still raise the dead today?
3. Jesus says, my sheep hear my voice, how do you hear the voice of Jesus today?
4. What does it mean to follow?
5. Do you ever feel that God is keeping you in suspense? Take some time to talk to him about it.

Take a time to sit quietly

A time of prayer

Let's pray together.

Loving God you know our ways, and the ways of the world, and you call us to walk and work with you, so now we do so in prayer:

We pray for the church as it reaches into the world, that our work and words may be loving. That our work and words may be challenging. That our work and words might bring healing. That we might like Jesus be bringers of peace.

We pray for our world, and all of the places where war rages, sometimes we simply watch with horror, not knowing how to pray, so we ask for your Spirit to give voice to our voicelessness, and to help us to walk and work with you.

We pray for those in power, for wisdom, for kindness and for peace.

We pray for those who have been dispossessed, that they might find a home and a welcome.

We pray for those who struggle, that they might find a way forward.

We pray for those who mourn, that they might receive your comfort.

And we pray in quiet, bringing our deepest concerns in the confidence that you will hear them.

In the name of Christ

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father

Hymn: Listen to: StF712 Put peace into each others hands or sing a verse of a hymn that comes to mind

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5VI_sd5A-h8

Put peace into each other's hands
and like a treasure hold it,
protect it like a candle-flame,

with tenderness enfold it.
Put peace into each other's hands
with loving expectation;
be gentle in your words and ways,
in touch with God's creation.

Put peace into each other's hands
like bread we break for sharing;
look people warmly in the eye:
our life is meant for caring.

As at Communion, shape your hands
into a waiting cradle;
the gift of Christ receive, revere,
united round the table.

Put Christ into each other's hands,
he is love's deepest measure;
in love make peace, give peace a chance,
and share it like a treasure.

Fred Kaan (1929-2009)

A prayer of blessing

We go from this time of worship to be those who follow the way of Christ.

To be those who seek peace.

To be those who live lives of love.

May the God hold us grant us grace to live lives worth of this calling. May God bless and hold you throughout this coming week.

Amen

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We are grateful to all the Ministers and Local Preachers from around the Connexion who have contributed to Worship at Home. This resource is administrated by Ministries: Vocations and Worship in the Connexional Team.

For more worship resources see

[The Bible \(methodist.org.uk\)](http://The Bible (methodist.org.uk))

[Singing the Faith Plus \(methodist.org.uk\)](http://Singing the Faith Plus (methodist.org.uk))

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

(Acts 6: 36-43)

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.' Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one.

(John 10: 22-30)