# **Heaton Moor United Church**



The United Reformed Church and The Methodist Church

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### Sunday Services at Heaton Moor United Church

Services at 10:45 unless otherwise stated

29 <sup>th</sup> May	Keith Tonge	
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Anne Wilde	Celebration Service for the Queens Jubilee. See notices for more info
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Rev Dr Graham Adams	SUPER SUNDAY 10:00 – 10:40
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Rev Dr Raj Patta	Communion Service
26 <sup>th</sup> June	JoAnne Roy 9:30	
	Leo Roberts 10:45	

### **Additional Services**

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> June at 14:00	Circuit Service Heaton Moor United Church	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 10:30	Short Communion Service	
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 14:00	Dementia Friendly Service	

### **Additional Events at Heaton Moor Church**

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> June at 10:00	Moor Than A Good Read
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> June at 10:30	Coffee Morning – All Welcome
(takes place weekly)	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June at 15:30	Messy Church
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June at 10:00	Coffee morning and plant sale for Alzheimer's Society
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> June at 19:45	Men's Fellowship
(takes place every other week)	
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June at 14:00	Ladies Fellowship
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> June at 10:00	Lebone Coffee Morning
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> June at 13:00	Muddy Church

Dear Heaton Moor United Church,

Hope you are doing well. Thanks to Mr. Keith Tonge who will be leading the service this Sunday at our church.

Last Saturday we had our Heatons prayer breakfast, and it was a good experience to pray along with Christians from different churches in the Heatons. We had also had our Heatons Churches Partnership meeting this week, reviewing our work during Easter and discussing our future plans.

Thank you all for joining our Church meeting last Sunday and it was good to see many of you there. It was a good experience for us to gather and discuss about the life and witness of our church. During the week it was a good opportunity to walk with Jean as her walking buddy in support of Christian Aid.

We had a good staff meeting this week discussing about the pastoral work of our church. JoAnne and me visited a family in Reddish to plan for a Christening service to their lil one. I was also at London this week for a Connexional mission committee meeting. I was also at the Edegely community church as we are planning about the future community engagements over there as a church and circuit. I will be leading a funeral service of Brian Choopani on Friday, and may I request you to kindly pray for Milly his wife and the family.

May you all have a blessed week, and do let us know if you need a visit or home communion.

Thanking you,

Regards, Raj 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022

# MESSAGE FROM THE CO-EDITOR

Happy Last Friday in May!



It's been another busy week our activity this week at toddlers is a food craft, I'm not sure who loves them more the volunteers or the children! Can you guess what we were making?

We had a great Heatons Churches Partnership meeting this week to review our partnership activities over Easter and to plan our next events. The partnership will be at the summer fair at St John's on the 25<sup>th</sup> June from 11:00.

I'm looking forward to celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with our Dementia Friends tomorrow I think what I will be wearing is my favourite costume of the year so far!

I'm off on my holidays Saturday so I'll see you all in a week - due to the bank holidays next week there will be no notices.

If you need any assistance please do not hesitate to contact the office.

# JoAnne

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# **CHURCH GROUPS**

Carol Jack and Anne Wilde have both offered to facilitate small church groups. Either fortnightly or monthly. If you are interested in being part of a group please let the office know when is the best day, time (morning, afternoon, evening) for you.

### Church, let's pour out hope this CAP Sunday

Join us as we celebrate all that God is doing through CAP and local churche to bring hope to people living in the grip of poverty. Hear Simon's remarkable story of transformation and be inspired!

5th June 2022 Time: 4pm Location: Heaton Moor United Church SK4 4HL

'I've gone from having no purpose in life to looking forward to getting out bed and being thankful for everythin that I've got. I have a full life now.' n – father, now debt free

Date:

Office Hours This Week

Monday 09:00 – 14:00

Tuesday 09:00 – 14:00

Wednesday 09:00 – 14:00

Thursday CLOSED

Friday CLOSED



### **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 <u>community@heatonmoorunitedchurch.org.uk</u>



At the time of writing Jean had 20'000 steps to go to reach her target of walking 300'000 steps in May. Knowing Jean she will have done those steps by lunch time!

There is still time for you to donate via our e-envelope

https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/heaton-moor-unitedchurch



There will be a slightly longer than normal

Interactive service on SUNDAY, JUNE 5<sup>th</sup>.



Hymn Singing

Prayer Activity

## 10.45am to 12.15pm

We will be celebrating Pentecost and the Queens Platinum Jubilee

## The service will include "party refreshments"

During the service there will be opportunity for everyone to join one of the following groups:

- Craft
- Discussion
  - Drama

Please do not be alarmed!

It will all be totally non-threatening, If somewhat chaotic!EVERYONE is welcome.



Volunteers needed to move the church furniture (chairs and tables) for the morning service of Sunday 5th June. If you are able to help please come to the church at 2pm on Saturday June 4th. The more people, the quicker it will be! '

# COFFEE MORNING & CAKE SALE IN AID OF LEBONE VILLAGE



We will be holding a coffee morning and cake sale in aid of Lebone Village, South Africa on Saturday 18th June 10.30-12.00 noon.

Please come along & bring you friends too! All will be very welcome. There will also be an exciting raffle!

If you are able to make a cake/small cakes to donate, they will be most gratefully received.

Thank you. Stephanie & Janice



Some of you will know that Sharon, Sue Jones and myself have challenged ourselves to walk 26 miles in August with the Alzheimer's Society to raise much needed funds for their research.

To kick-start our fundraising we are holding a coffee morning and plant sale on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 10:00am.





We had a great first Muddy Church session. A reminder that the name is to appeal to a wider community it doesn't necessarily mean that it is all about the mud!

Muddy Church (like Messy Church) is an opportunity for us all to gather, to wonder about Gods amazing world together in a variety of ways – it is also another opportunity for us to gather over a drink and catch up!

Join us for our next Messy Church on 9<sup>th</sup> June and muddy Church on 18<sup>th</sup> June.

## Dementia Friendly Heatons Commemorative Song Book

Dementia Friendly Heatons have a commemorative song book with 8 popular songs in for the Queens Platinum Jubilee. We have a small number available for sale with all proceeds going to our Dementia Friends. Contact the office to purchase one.



### Worship at Home - Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022

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**

Sovereign God, beyond, around, within: May we be conscious of your presence now. We worship you.

### Hymn: Singing the Faith 335 Rejoice, the Lord is King! Sing/ Read /Pray /Proclaim the words or listen

to it here <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AhEUCSz</u> <u>aU8M</u>

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore; mortals, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice! Again I say:rejoice!

Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above:

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules both earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given:

He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit, and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet:

Rejoice in glorious hope; Jesus the Judge shall come, and take his servants up to their eternal home: We soon shall hear the archangel's voice; God's trumpet-call shall sound:rejoice! *Charles Wesley (1707-1788)* 

Let us pray together.

Great God, universe-maker and life-giver: Emmanuel, God with us, Jesus Christ, Lord and Saviour: we worship you. Nearby God, touching and embracing God, God within: we worship you. God of promise, God of hope, God of new beginnings: we worship you. We ask your forgiveness for things we've done wrong; for words we've spoken that weren't right; for thoughts that shouldn't have happened; for resentments we have held. Forgive us and change us we pray. Faithful God, loving God of grace, forgiving

Faithful God, loving God of grace, forgiving God: you do forgive us We worship you.

### Today's Reading from the New Testament Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21 Today's Gospel Reading: John 17: 20-26

### **Time to Reflect**

We're at the time of year when, in some sports, issues of promotion, relegation and qualification have become very serious concerns. Nagging fears and fragile hopes have become reality. In other sports the same kind of hopes and fears are considerations that will wax or wane over the coming months.

How is it that a team of highly talented individuals can do anything other than win and succeed? How is it that such a team can lack unity of purpose and cohesion and fail? Yet, every year, there are mystifying examples of failure where there should have been success. There are coaches and managers who have shown the ability to blend a team of individuals into a highly effective unit, for them to be one in purpose, goal and achievement. Now, at another time, or in another place, they fail to so do. In the Gospel reading Jesus asks, prays, that those who believe in him may be one. Oh, that it was so! Oh, that we were one! Every community of faith, one in purpose and goal!

There must be a reason that we aren't as one; that we aren't as successful as we ought to be. Is it the manager, the coach, the players? Or maybe it's everyone who is deficient? There are, indeed, wonderful and amazing performances, successes. Should success not be everywhere? We have such good news! Sadly, where there is success, there are some that quickly fade, or even implode spectacularly maybe, embarrassingly, sometimes news worthily.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we all rediscovered, or discovered for the first time, a fresh dynamic sense of oneness? Wouldn't it be tremendous if Jesus' prayer was answered in us?

In the world of sport, some of us would be dropped, transferred out, cast aside, replaced by someone better for the job. Thank God that this isn't the case with those who name Jesus as Lord and Saviour. There is a future to be looked to, to be worked for; the future of the kingdom fully established upon earth and in all its peoples.

There is reason today for confidence and fullest hope.

May we be as one, a real team, playing life for each other, for others and for Jesus Christ. As the celebration of Pentecost comes towards us may we be moved to hear afresh, to feel anew, the encouraging, the urging power and words of the Holy Spirit.

Now, take a time to sit quietly

#### A time of prayer

Listening God: we have many concerns for others and the world in which we all live, your people and your world. In prayer we place before you our thoughts born out of compassion, sadness, and sorrow. Out of anger, frustration and disappointment. Out of

fear and uncertainty, hope and longing; a desire for a just and fair world.

Understanding God, receive our prayers.

Help us, we ask, to be your answers to prayer. May we live to your glory. Amen.

#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father .....

Hymn: Listen to, maybe sing, or sing a verse of a hymn that comes to mind Singing the Faith 346 Christ is the world's light https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ne5M OMp6W\_Y

Christ is the world's light, Christ and none other;

born in our darkness, he became our brother. If we have seen him, we have seen the Father: glory to God on high.

Christ is the world's Peace, Christ and none other;

no one can serve him and despise another; who else unites us, one in God the Father? Glory to God on high.

Christ is the world's Life, Christ and none other;

sold once for silver, murdered here, our brother --

he, who redeems us, reigns with God the Father:

glory to God on high.

Give God the glory, God and none other; give God the glory, Spirit, Son, and Father; give God the glory, God with us, my brother: glory to God on high.

Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)

#### A prayer of blessing

In the dark, fearful, uncertain and confusing times; God is with us. In the bright, joyful, confident and clear times; God is with us. May God continue to bless us in all times.

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The Bible (methodist.org.uk)Singing the Faith Plus (methodist.org.uk)

#### Revelation 22: 12-14, 16-17, 20-21

'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.'

Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates.

'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.' The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.'

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

#### John 17: 20-26

<sup>20</sup> 'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup> 'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'