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Heaton Moor United Church

The United Reformed Church and The Methodist Church working together in partnership



NOTICES November 2025

Sunday Services at Heaton Moor United Church Services at 10:45 unless otherwise stated

2 nd November	Deacon Janet Amey	All Age Worship
9 th November	Adrian Law	Remembrance Sunday
16 th November	Rev Dr Graham Adams	Communion Service
		Church AGM follows the service
23 rd November	Christian Aid Service	
30 th November	Rev Phil Dew	1 st Sunday in Advent

Additional Services at Heaton Moor United Church

Thursday 20 th November at	Short Service	Service followed by refreshments open to all
14:00		especially those with dementia and their carers

Services from around The Circuit

Sunday 2 nd November at	Circuit Strategy Meeting	Strategy Meeting 16:00
Hazel Grove	and Service	Shared Meal 17:30
		Service 18:30

Upcoming Events at Heaton Moor United Church

Living Lounge Warm Space (weekly) Mondays from 11:00 – 15:00	Lunch at The Living Lounge from 12:00 until 13:00.	
Monday Fellowship (fortnightly) from 19:45	Next gathering Mon 3 rd November all welcome	
Weekly Wednesday Coffee Morning 10:30	All are welcome	
Time To Talk	(Previously bereavement support)	
1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month at 14:00	Next meeting 6 th November 2025	
Station of Light 31 st October from 19:00 until circa. 20:00	Join us as we become a station of light to our community	
Messy Church 13 th November from 15:15	Intergenerational Church all are welcome!	
Advent Fair Saturday 29 th November from 10:00	See notices for further information	

Welcome to our fortnightly notice sheet – if you have any news you would like to share please send to JoAnne community@heatonmoorunitedchurch.org.uk. or notices can be handwritten and left on the community workers desk!

Notices for Sunday:	Emailed/Printed	Latest submission date
16 th November	14 th November	12 th November
30 th November	28 th November	26 th November

If you no longer wish to receive the notices direct to your inbox you can unsubscribe at any time by contacting office@heatonmoorunitedchurch.org.uk

Office Hours W/C 2nd Nov

Monday 10:00 - 14:00

Tuesday 10:00 - 14:00

Wednesday 10:00 – 14:00

Thursday CLOSED

Friday CLOSED

Office Hours W/C 9th Nov

Monday 10:00 – 14:00

Tuesday 10:00 – 14:00

Wednesday 10:00 – 14:00

Thursday CLOSED

Friday CLOSED

STAFF WORKING HOURS

Please note our administrator, Sharon's usual working days are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Our Community Worker is no longer office based, and Wednesday is a non-working day.

Team Contact Information

- Church Minister Rev Phil Dew 07947 191 661
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- Church Administrator Sharon Heginbotham 0161 431 0262
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- Community Worker JoAnne Roy 07340 269 354 community@heatonmoorunitedchurch.org.uk



Our prayer chain is made up of people who are committed to praying for those who make prayer requests.

The guidelines for the prayer chain are that it is focussed and confidential.

Names are passed round the chain with a short, clear message so that prayer requests can be responded to quickly.

If you, or someone you know is in need of prayer and <u>you have their permission to pass on their name then please contact Katy Rowe.</u> Katy can be contacted by phone (either calling or text message) 0785 784 2141

If you would like to join the prayer chain please speak with either Katy or Jean James.

REMINDER The Annual General Meeting will take place after the service on the 16th November.

NEW TRUSTEES/MEMBERS OF THE LEADERSHIP TEAM NEEDED



Following on from the Stewardship Campaign you will know that, for our church to continue to function and to flourish, we need to fill some of the vacancies on the Leadership/Trustee team. We deferred the Annual Church Meeting from April until November 16th to give time for people to come forward. Please prayerfully consider whether you could volunteer as a member of the Team. Or do you know of anyone that would be a great asset to our team? Please speak to them about it. This is everyone's responsibility!

Leadership Team members must be aged over 18 and members of Heaton Moor United Church. There is no upper age limit!

Each person standing for the Leadership Team needs to be nominated by two church members, which we can assist with. Nomination forms are available from the church office and should be returned there by 31st October. The election will be on November 16th.

A leaflet describing the role of a Leadership Team member is available from the church office. For further details please speak to the Minister, any member of the Leadership Team, or to Sharon. We look forward to working with you!

A prayer to mark the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church, on 2nd November.

Lord God, today we lift our hearts together for our brothers and sisters who suffer for Your name.

We remember those in Afghanistan and around the world who face danger, rejection, and loss because they follow Christ. Strengthen their faith, Lord. Surround them with Your peace that surpasses understanding.

Grant them courage to stand firm, wisdom to act in love, and hope that does not fade. May their witness shine brightly in the darkness, drawing others to Your truth.

We pray for those who persecute them. Open their eyes to mercy, soften their hearts to justice, and bring peace where there is hatred.

Unite us, Your global Church, in compassion and prayer. Let freedom, faith, and love overcome fear and oppression.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

A message from Superintendent Rev Jan Tate

I know a lot of time and thought has already been put into talking about strategy and I'd like to invite you all to continue in this process. Remember we are all the circuit so the thoughts of everyone in our churches are important.

We will meet at 4pm when we will have the opportunity to dream dreams and think without limits. We will break for food at 5.30pm and lead into a circuit service at 6.30pm when we will celebrate All Saints' Day.



To everyone who attended the recent concert by Stockport School Brass Band – a total of £430 was raised on the night which is split between the band and church charities.

We would love you to join us for

A Celtic Christmas Celebration -



By Joel Raney

Sung by United Christian Singers

Led by Anne Wilde.

Including favourite carols for everyone.

A FREE event at

Heaton Moor United Church,

On Saturday, DECEMBER 6TH at 6pm

Donations for the Church Charities.

MONDAY FELLOWSHIP

All are welcome to join the fortnightly gatherings which start at 19:45

<u>Upcoming speakers</u>

Monday 3rd November JoAnne Roy

5 years of Faith in Action

Monday 17th November– Andrew Barber

History of our stained glass window

Community Harvest Lunch



As part of the Living Lounge project we held our second Community Lunch, this time to celebrate the Harvest Season. It was a wonderful celebration of generosity and togetherness. Prepared and served by a small group of community volunteers, the meal brought people from church and the wider community together to share good food and fellowship. In total, 29 guests joined us in person to enjoy the harvest feast, while an additional 15 meals on wheels were lovingly packed and delivered to vulnerable adults across Stockport. It was a beautiful expression

of care in action, a reminder that the spirit of harvest is not only about gratitude for what we have, but also about sharing it with others.

The team behind the community lunches are hopping to host another in later January so watch this space!



OPEN CHURCH Sparks and Stories

80+ children over three days enjoyed our recent Open Church event. The theme this year was Sparks and Stories and we explored some of the stories of Jesus and what they might spark within us.

We enjoyed a variety of activities, including seed pictures looking at the parable of the mustard seed, bunting as we explored the story of Jesus at the temple, we made our own sunrise cocktails as we looked at the baptism of Jesus and made fake wounds as we looked at God's healing love.



Circuit Curry and Carols 14th December



Christian Aid 80th Anniversary Celebration

For 80 years, Christian Aid has been fighting poverty and injustice. With support they've been able to offer hope to communities who need it most.

And over these 80 years, they've harnessed something formidable. Something that can't be silenced by injustice. Something that refuses to sit back and watch poverty ravage communities.

They call it the unstoppable power of hope.

Join us on 23rd November for a special Christian Aid service on this theme.

Immediately after the service you are invited to continue the celebrations by joining us for lunch; soup and a roll, followed by cake and refreshments.

There is no "charge" for the lunch but we will be accepting donations for the work of Christian Aid.

To help with catering please sign up outside the office

Are you a COOP member? Choose a local cause

At Co-op we put our profits where they belong, back into local communities. As a Co-op Member and owner, you get to choose a cause that's close to your heart and they'll get a share of our Local Community Fund.

You can choose a cause any time until October. After that, we'll share out the fund between all our local causes. The total amount each cause gets depends on how many members have chosen them.

Our Living Lounge lunch is run in partnership with Drawing Board Productions (the name behind the Heatons Post!) it would be great if you could choose them in this round!

Drawing Board Productions

Enabling people to access food

Our project is the running of free Living Lounge Lunches at Heaton Moor United Church, bringing people together, tackling loneliness and helping low-income households with food parcels.

We are collecting shoeboxes as part of The Manchester Shoebox Appeal. See below for guidelines of what to put into your shoebox making sure the box and lid are wrapped separately and you mark if it is for a male or female. Don't forget to include a Christmas card and a £1 donation!

Please bring completed shoe boxes to the church office by **Sunday 16**th **November**

