



## MOUNT CHARLES METHODIST CHURCH

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*This Church with the rainbow window exists to reflect the love of God to all people and welcomes them in the name of Jesus.*

### SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2026



Lamb of God, we ask you to free us from everything that discourages, bewilders, or makes us anxious about following you.

#### 10am – Dr Liz Burroughs

After service prayers are available.

#### 6pm – Circuit Witness Box with Laura Mitchell – Rev Paul Benney

Stewards – am Ann Wharmby & Margaret Dabbs pm Liz & Gareth Bray

Screen – am Liz Burroughs pm Gareth Bray

Flowers – Ann Wharmby: Coffee – Liz Foster: Door – Mavis & Ashley Cundy

### SUNDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2026

#### 10am – Mrs Maria Truscott-Robins

After service prayers are available.

#### 6pm – Circuit Service at Trinity, Trewoon – Rev Paul Benney

Stewards – Gareth & Liz Bray: Screen – Gareth Bray: Flowers – Barbara Russett

Coffee – Geoffrey Tooke & Doreen Buscombe: Door – Penny & Roger Powlesland

### THIS WEEK

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**

**10.30am** Meeting to discuss our 30<sup>th</sup> Church anniversary celebrations – see \*

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>**

**9.30am** Butterflies & Babies – Group for preschool children

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>**

**7.30pm** Housegroup at Paul & Ann Wharmby's, Cornish Hedge, Trethury

**2.30pm** Women's Fellowship – Members – Threads of Creation

**6.30pm** Alpha Course

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**10am** Coffee – Liz Burroughs

**10.15am** Prayer Fellowship – Liz Bray

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>**

**7pm** Pub-Style Quiz & Pasty Supper – see \*\*

**\*\*OUR 30<sup>TH</sup> CHURCH ANNIVERSARY MEETING** is open to everyone, so please come with your ideas.

**\*\*PUB-STYLE QUIZ & PASTY SUPPER** on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> January 7pm to 9pm. Cost £3. Please add your name to the list on the notice board if you want to come.

**OUR CIRCUIT ACTION DAY** will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March from 10.30am to 3pm at Fraddon Village Hall.

Before then there will be three Consultation Meetings, which are open to everyone: -

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January** 10.30am at Mount Charles Methodist Church

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** 7.00pm at Whitemoor Methodist Church

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February** 2.00pm at Leek Seed Methodist Church

We are all warmly invited to one, or all, of these 90-minute Consultation Sessions to share our ideas. Refreshments will be provided.

**THE BEREAVEMENT JOURNEY COURSE**, led by Jan Massiah, starts at Trinity Methodist Church at 2pm on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February. ☎07595165082 [perbloom@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:perbloom@hotmail.co.uk)

**OUR CIRCUIT PANCAKE PARTY** is at Bethel on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 3pm with crafts, games, party food and the story behind Shrove Tuesday. Please book with Laura Mitchell on [lauranewman89@hotmail.com](mailto:lauranewman89@hotmail.com)

**CALLING CHRISTIANS TOGETHER!** If you like to sing, act, make props, create posters or are able to do any of the things that are needed to put on a musical at Easter, please contact Annabelle Coad ☎01726 66283 or 07811 532362. This year's musical, portraying the life of Jesus, has been especially written for us by Catherine Parnell.

**OUR CIRCUIT EVENING SERVICE OFFERINGS** during January and February will support Action for Children, in memory of Debbie Eade.

**THE FOODBANK** volunteers thank us for our continued support. At present they need UHT milk, UHT fruit juice, tinned potatoes, tinned pulses, tinned meat, chocolate/treats and deodorant.

**WHAT SHOULD I CHANGE SO THAT THE CLIMATE DOESN'T?** A shocking 300,000 tonnes of unwanted clothes are binned every year in the UK. The fashion industry is one of the most harmful industries to our planet. We can help by donating any clothes we no longer wear to charity shops.

**PRAYER FOCUS** Persecution watchdog **Open Doors** has released its annual World Watch List, ranking the fifty countries where Christians face the most severe persecution for their faith. North Korea has once again topped the list, retaining its position as the most dangerous place in the world to be a Christian. The next countries are Somalia, Yemen, Sudan and Eritrea. The rankings highlight widespread violence, discrimination and restrictions faced by believers across parts of Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

Compassionate God,

We lift before you our brothers and sisters in Christ across the world who face persecution because they follow you. Give them strength, courage and peace in the midst of fear and suffering. May they know your presence, your protection and your hope, and justice, freedom and compassion prevail.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

We also pray for everyone living or working in **Clifden Road, Bridge Court and Rashleigh Place**.

**PUZZLE: Last week's:** Find the name of a country hidden in this sentence: - If the machine jams it is best to lift **up or tug all** of the thread through the bobbin. **Answer. PORTUGAL:** **This week's:** If the word three starts with t, and ends with e, what's its third letter?

**QUOTE:** "It always seems impossible until it's done." — *Nelson Mandela*

**AND FINALLY:** Five year old Ben asked his Mum who was the fastest person in the Bible. When she told him that she had no idea, Ben laughed and said, 'It was Adam, because he came first in the human race!'

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The deadline for these Notices is 11am each Friday

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