

CIRCUIT WEEKLY NEWSLETTER


The Methodist Church
North Liverpool and South Sefton Circuit

SUNDAY SERVICES 24th May

Pentecost Sunday is the celebration of the moment described in Acts 2, when the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples, empowering them to speak, witness, and begin the Church's mission. It marks the birth of the Christian Church and the gift of the Spirit to all believers

Birchdale Road - 11am- Roger Lewis

Fazakerley- 10:45am- Revd Jobson- Holy Communion

Kensington- 11am- Liz Shaw

Linacre Mission- 11am- Revd Garfield

Moor Lane- 10:30am- Own Arrangement

Old Roan- 11am- Revd Ainger- Holy Communion

St Marks- Services Paused

West Derby- 10:15am- Carol Shanks- All Age Worship



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GOOD NEWS Stories

Moor Lane - ChoirFest

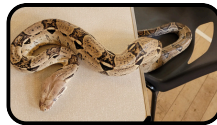


What a cracking night on Saturday at Moor Lane Methodist Church. 'Choirfest' featured five choirs, all very different, in a thoroughly entertaining evening which was enjoyed by all.

We were entertained by Crosby Community Choir, In Another Place Gospel Choir, Bootle Strand Diversity Choir and the Aughton Male Voice Choir. To top the evening off, all five choirs joined together with full audience participation in singing 'Let it Be'.

Fazakerley - Indoor Car Boot Sale

On 16th May, Fazakerley methodist church's indoor car boot took place with lots of bargains to be had. In amongst the lovely atmosphere you could find Cleo the snake having a chill along with China the python and Dustie the bearded dragon. They are all looking forward to the next sale on 18th July.



**Next Indoor Carboot is -
Saturday 18th July 2026**

Songs of Praise at Liverpool Olympia

A group of us headed to the Songs of Praise special, Sing Gospel, expecting a gentle evening of hymns and hallelujahs. Instead, we found ourselves in a queue that wrapped around the corner like we were waiting for Beyoncé tickets rather than a BBC recording.

Filming began at 7pm and didn't finish until 10:15pm, three solid hours of singing, laughing, clapping, standing up, sitting down, and standing up again.

By the end, we were basically honorary members of a gospel fitness class.

Thankfully, presenter Mark De-Lisser kept spirits high between takes with enough enthusiasm to power church heating bills for a month.

By the end, our hands were aching, our voices were fading, and we were all quietly praying for a comfy seat and a cup of tea, but the joy in the room never wavered.

Sunday 14th June 2026, BBC One, Songs of Praise - Sing Gospel.

Keep an eye out... If you spot any familiar faces, yes, that really is us, looking both delighted and slightly worn out from all the cardio!



HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE We want to hear it



Please get in touch with any good news stories (Big or small), notices or events to advertise.

Submissions are due by Wednesday evening to allow time for the Friday issue.

Please send all content to Kim Bell - admin@nlsmc.org.uk



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COMING UP NEXT WEEK During Half Term

**Family
FILM NIGHT**

Tuesday 26th May

doors open 6:20pm
film starts at 6:30pm

Donations welcome, bring your own goodies!
Children must be accompanied by a familiar adult.
For more details please contact Allison via Facebook
or 07393011140.

COUNTY METHODIST HUB

Celebrate!

crafts - games - lunch

WEDNESDAY 27th MAY

11am

We are asking families to book into this session.
Please let us know the name and age of each child
attending and any special dietary requirements of the
family. Thank you.

**Rise and Shine Family Sessions at
County Hub**

Wednesday 27th May - Celebrate!
A session based around special birthdays: with
crafts, games and lunch for everyone.

Friday 29th May - Pizza and Paint.
We'll be pizza making, fabric painting and there
will be Lego to play with.

Please contact Alison to book your place
07393011140

Come and Join in the Fun

Free Half Term Holiday Club

Friday 29th May 2026

10am to 11.30am

Fazakerley Methodist Church, L9 7AL

Bring an adult with you!

Craft, Snacks & Drinks, Painting & Colouring, Baby & Toddler Play Area, Table Tennis & Pool, Board & Group Games, Story Time

GOOD TIMES

COUNTY METHODIST HUB

Pizza & Paint

fabric painting - pizza making
and more!

FRIDAY 29th MAY at 11am

Places are limited.
We are asking families to book.
Thank you.

Two Cathedrals March
All welcome!

24 MAY 2026 · 3:00PM

Starts: Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral

Many Voices · One Faith

SCAN ME

Two Cathedrals March 2026

The feast of Pentecost celebrates the moment when the early Christians, filled with the Holy Spirit, took their message out onto the streets with energy and enthusiasm. The annual Pentecost Celebrations in Liverpool aim to capture that same spirit. Inspired by Pope John Paul II's visit in 1982, this vibrant gathering has become a much-loved tradition, bringing people from across Merseyside together on Hope Street to mark the Christian festival of Pentecost.

On Sunday 24th May 2026, 3-5pm, the celebration will begin at Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral and continue with a walk along Hope Street to Liverpool Cathedral. This year's theme, "Many Voices - One Faith," highlights the unity and diversity of Christian communities across the region. Celebrations will be based on the - [Manifesto for Hope](#)

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Upcoming **EVENTS**

- Sunday 7th June – Old Roan – 6pm – Prayer and Praise
- Sunday 12th July – Moor Lane – 5:30pm – Bread and Wine Musical – Circuit Service
- Saturday 18th July – Fazakerley – Indoor Car Boot Sale (Time to be confirmed)

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Please ask
Kim for any
further
details



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DISTRICT Weekly News

[Click here to be taken to the North West England District Newsletter](#)
A PDF of the District Newsletter is also attached on this email.



**NORTH WEST ENGLAND
METHODIST DISTRICT**

CALL for **VOLUNTEERS**



We are delighted to welcome Liz Shaw as a new Circuit Steward. We are still seeking a few more people to join the Circuit Leadership Team, so please prayerfully consider whether God may be calling you to serve.

[Circuit Steward Video](#)



CONTINUED PRAYERS

We hold in our thoughts and prayers all those who are struggling at this time. We ask for continuing prayers for the District Chair, Revd. Dr. James Tebbutt, following his recent readmission to hospital.



A NOTE FROM Revd Darren

Greetings everyone,

As we mark Pentecost this Sunday, we also give thanks for John Wesley, the founder of Methodism. On 24 May, we remember Wesley's experience of God's transforming grace at Aldersgate Street, when he wrote that his heart was "strangely warmed." That experience became not just a turning point for Wesley, but the beginning of a movement shaped by the power of the Holy Spirit.

In 1 Corinthians 12, St Paul reminds us that there are "different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit." Each person is given gifts by God, not for status or power, but for the common good. Wisdom, faith, healing, encouragement, service and leadership all belong within the life of the Church. Every gift matters because every one of us matters. It's important to remember this in a world where power is often used to control or overwhelm. We see power used to divide people, silence voices and promote self-interest. Even within the Church, we can sometimes mistake influence and loud voices for spiritual strength.

But the power of the Holy Spirit is very different.

The Spirit's power renews people. It creates compassion and courage. It calls and enables ordinary people – you and me – to share in God's work of transformation. John Wesley understood this. His ministry was built on prayer, preaching, compassion and the conviction that the Spirit of God could change hearts, minds and the world.

This Pentecost, may we be encouraged that the same Spirit is still at work among us today. And may we also be challenged to use whatever gifts we have for the building up of the Church and the healing of the world.

Come, Holy Spirit, come.

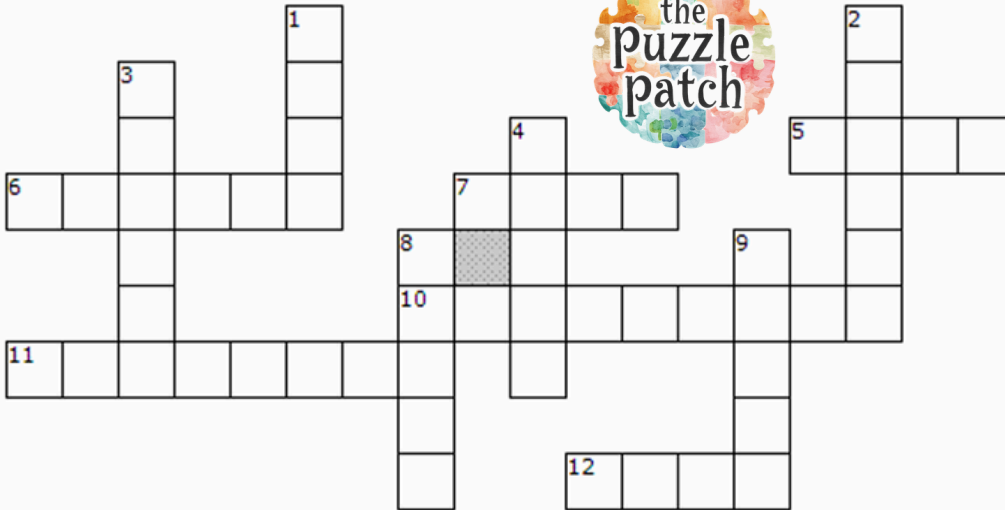
Here's a link to a Pentecost song, Wind and Flames. Listen and let's be drawn into God's power and love, helping us see again the wonder of the Spirit: [Wind and Flames](#)

Love and best wishes,
Darren



Filled with the Holy Spirit

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Acts 2:4 (NIV)



ACROSS

5. Make something to be full
6. To be totally surprised
7. Something that is pure and good, such as God's Word
10. The day the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles
11. Means of communication used by the people of a particular country
12. A destructive burning

DOWN

1. Blowing air, especially that which would move the leaves on a tree
2. A being that cannot be seen, like a ghost
3. The place where God lives
4. Something that can be heard
8. To say words, to use the voice
9. A building which people live in

Refreshment Stop
 COUNTY METHODIST HUB
 Harlech Street
 L4 3RJ
Tuesdays
11.30am
Reflection, prayers and refreshments

Cuppa and Catch Up
 WEDNESDAYS
 1:30PM TO 3:30PM
 LINACRE MISSION
 L21 8NS
 JOIN US EACH WEEK FOR A FRIENDLY COMMUNITY SOCIAL. A CHANCE TO RELAX, ENJOY REFRESHMENTS, PLAY GAMES, AND SPEND TIME TOGETHER.

CAFE AND GARDENING MONDAY MORNINGS - T1AM
 MOOR LANE METHODIST CHURCH
 L23 2XJ
 JUST CALL IN ALL ARE WELCOME

UPCOMING EVENTS

North Liverpool and South Sefton Methodist Circuit
Choir!
 Come join our Circuit Choir and be part of a warm, welcoming community that loves to sing together!
 We're meeting every Wednesday At Old Roan Methodist Church 6:30pm to 7:30pm
 Everyone is very welcome to join us
 More Information: Kim Bell admin@nlsmc.org.uk 0129007914

Little Acorns
 Mondays
 1:00pm - 2:30pm
 excluding bank holidays and half-terms
 COUNTY METHODIST HUB
 Harlech Street, L4 3RJ
 PLAY CRAFT ACTIVITY STORY & SONG HEALTHY SNACK
 suggested donation, £1 per child

Bread and Wine
 A Musical written by Darren Garfield
 Sunday 12th July 2026
 Moor Lane Methodist Church
 190 Moor Lane, Crosby, L23 2XJ
 5:30pm - Refreshments
 6pm - Start
 Circuit Service
 Free admission but donations gratefully received
 Join us for Holy Communion with songs from the musical sung by the Circuit Choir

PRAYER AND PRAISE
 Old Roan Methodist Church, 6pm
 Sunday 7th June 2026
 Sunday 5th July 2026
 Sunday 6th September 2026
 Sunday 4th October 2026
 Sunday 1st November 2026
 Sunday 6th December 2026
ALL ARE WELCOME!



Heaven
 Wind
 Sound
 Spirit
 Pentecost
 Fill

Fire
 Language
 House
 Holy
 Speak
 Amazed

