

CIRCUIT WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The Methodist Church
North Liverpool and South Sefton Circuit



SUNDAY SERVICES 31st May

Trinity Sunday in the Methodist Church is a special day to celebrate who God is, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, all together as one God.

- Birchdale Road** - 11am- Liz Shaw
- Fazakerley**- 10:45am- David Evans
- Kensington**- 11am- Revd Garfield - Holy Communion
- Linacre Mission**- 11am- Revd Mike Marshall
- Moor Lane**- 10:30am- Linda Dalton
- Old Roan**- 11am- David Conway
- St Marks**- Services Paused
- West Derby**- 10:15am- Revd Edwards- All Age Worship



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LOOKING AHEAD - SUNDAY SERVICES 7th June

The newsletter will take a little break next week, due to annual leave. So here are the services for 7th June

- Birchdale Road** - 11am- Rev Marshall
- Fazakerley**- 10:45am- Viv Marriott
- Kensington**- 11am- Carol Shanks
- Linacre Mission**- 11am- Rev Strain
- Moor Lane**- 10:30am- David Burkey
- Old Roan**- 11am- Rev Garfield - Holy Communion
- St Marks**- 12:30pm- Prayer and Reflection- Liz Shaw
- West Derby**- 10:15am- Rev Jobson- Holy Communion



GOOD NEWS Stories

Cliff Festival 2026



The theme of both the President and Vice-President of the Methodist Church and Cliff Festival 2026 is Our story, Our Song. The opening Welcome in the programme says "you're stepping onto a site soaked in stories and songs of Christian transformation... Grounds and buildings that have witnessed God at work for over a century... may you encounter God's story and song in fresh ways this weekend. And Sue, Viv and Margaret (members at Linacre) surely did.



Cliff festival has venues for those aged 2 - 4; 5 - 11; 11-17; 18-30 and then those aged 30 - 70+. There are times of worship and prayer; all age activities; Learning and Networking. Bible Study and Celebration services all began with "sung" worship led by Sam and his worship group from Swanbank Methodist Church. Absolutely amazing worship, singing with about 500 people in a tent. Voices singing enthusiastically and most obviously Spirit led! Fantastic!!

There were many seminars to choose from where you could go and learn more about a variety of topics. We went to a seminar "Telling our Stories" in which we thought about sharing testimonies and noticing the way God has shaped our journeys, discovering how our everyday lives and experiences speak of faith in Jesus. Something that we felt we'd lost in our church. Don't know about yours. Attached in the email is a copy of something you may like to have a go at filling in.



Being at Cliff is not all about attending Bible studies; seminars and worship but also a time to relax and enjoy catching up with other Christians in the beautiful grounds of the College. We have gone to Cliff Festival for a good few years (since the 1980's) where we can just "be" in worship and not having to be involved in preparing or leading worship which we do most weeks. No responsibilities, no pressure, just time to be in the presence of God and his Spirit.

There are YouTube videos you can watch that give a flavour of what happened at the weekend. We hope that by watching them, you too receive a blessing from God to sustain you as you seek to witness for Him and grow His kingdom.



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@lssmc.org.uk



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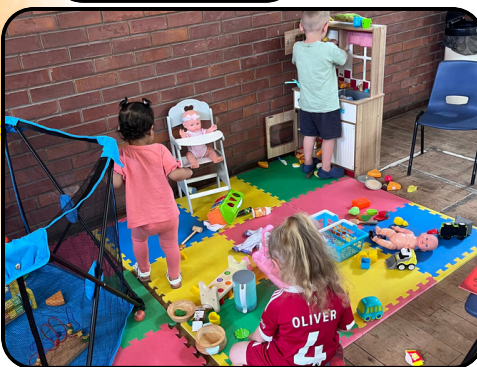
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MORE GOOD NEWS



Fazakerley was full of energy today (Friday during half term) as children gathered for a lively Holiday Club packed with crafts, games, table tennis, colouring, painting, and plenty of drinks and snacks. The church buzzed with laughter, creativity and new friendships, making it a joyful time together that everyone enjoyed.



BIBLE MONTH June 2026



Explore Philippians Together

Philippians
A four-week study guide for you and your church

★ **"Conversations"** ★
at Old Roan Methodist Church
50A Altway, Liverpool L10 2LG

★ **Wednesdays at 7.30pm** ★

3rd June 'A Harvest of Joy'
10th June 'Shine Humbly'
17th June 'Press on'
24th June 'Grace be with you'

BIBLE month

Philippians
A four-week study guide for you and your church

★ **Linacre Mission** ★
Tuesdays at 1.30pm

★ 9th June 'A Harvest of Joy' led by Darren ★
★ 16th June 'Shine Humbly' led by Sue ★
★ 23rd June 'Press on' led by Darren ★
★ 30th June 'Grace be with you' led by Sue ★

BIBLE month

This year, Bible Month invites churches and small groups to dive into one of the most joyful and encouraging letters in the New Testament: Philippians.

Written by Paul from prison, this short epistle overflows with warmth, hope, and practical wisdom for living a Christ-shaped life. Across four weeks, you'll discover:

Joy that endures – Paul's call to rejoice, even in hardship, rooted in confidence in God's goodness.

Christ-like humility – the famous "Christ hymn" in chapter 2, showing Jesus' self-giving love as our model.

Pressing on in faith – discipleship as a lifelong journey of growth and perseverance.

Grace and peace – learning contentment and generosity in every circumstance.

Upcoming EVENTS

- Saturday 6th June – Old Roan – 8:30am – Prayer Breakfast
- Sunday 7th June – Old Roan – 6pm – Prayer and Praise
- Tuesday 9th June – West Derby – 1pm – Strawberry Tea
- 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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Dates for **YOUR DIARY**

COUNTY METHODIST HUB

Craft & Company

Diamond Art ~ Sewing ~ Colouring
Card Making etc.

Wednesdays

(during term time)

10:30am - 12noon

Bring along your project and enjoy some
company over a cuppa and a chat!
A small number of projects available*

County Methodist Hub
Harlech Street, L4 3RJ

For more details contact Alison 07393011140

suggested donation of £1 towards refreshments
*donations welcome towards the cost of provided projects

Unity
bringing people
together

Strawberry Tea

Tuesday 9th June 2026

1pm - 3pm

The Parlour
West Derby Methodist Church
Crosby Green, L12 7JZ

enjoy a tastystrawberry tea and
some great company

Suggested donation £1.50

all proceeds to
Methodist Women
in Britain

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

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IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

We are saddened to share the news of the passing of Revd Kim Goh, who faithfully served Old Roan, Fazakerley and Maghull Methodist Churches from 2001 to 2014, and also preached at Linacre Mission. Many within our circuit will remember his gentle spirit, his dedication to ministry and the kindness he showed to all he met.

Details of his thanksgiving service are included in the attachment to this email for anyone who may wish to attend or hold his family in prayer 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,

This Sunday marks Trinity Sunday. Trinity Sunday is often the day when preachers smile nervously and joke that perhaps they should have taken the week off! The Trinity - Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit - is one of the deepest mysteries of the Christian faith. However many words we use, we can never fully explain God. In the end, all we really have are words, images, and imagination to help us glimpse something of the wonder and mystery that is beyond our understanding.

One image that may help is to think of a beautiful painting. What makes a painting special? It begins with the idea in the artist's mind - the vision and creativity behind it all. Then come the shapes and forms we can recognise. Finally, colour, texture, and movement bring the whole picture to life. Without any one of those elements, the painting would not feel complete.

God the Creator is like the mind of the artist - the one who dreams and designs the world. Jesus the Son is like the image we can see - God made visible and close to us. The Holy Spirit is like the colour and movement - filling our lives with warmth, meaning, and joy. Each is distinct, yet together they reveal one beautiful picture: the love and life of God.

And that makes a difference to our lives, because we are invited to live within that love. I hope and pray that the wonder and mystery of God will continue to break through into our hearts every day.

Love and best wishes,
Darren



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The Mystery of the Trinity

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you. All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to you." John 16:13-15 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on John 16:12-15



Make	Truth
Glorify	Known
Father	Spirit
Speak	Hears
Comes	Guide
Receive	Mine
Belongs	Tell

UPCOMING EVENTS



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.

Refreshment Stop

COUNTY METHODIST HUB
Harlech Street
L4 3RJ

Tuesdays
11.30am

Reflection, prayers and refreshments

Prayer Breakfast

At Old Roan Methodist Church
(50a Altway, Liverpool, L10 2LG)

First Saturday of every month
8:30am

Everyone is welcome.

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:
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Little Acorns

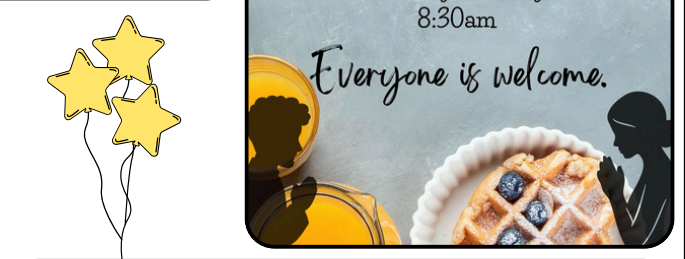
for under 3s and their carers

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



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!

CAFE AND GARDENING MONDAY MORNINGS - TIAM

MOOR LANE METHODIST CHURCH
L23 2XJ

JUST CALL IN ALL ARE WELCOME