



Worship

Service

Learning and Caring

Evangelism

The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the gospel of God’s Love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission, which it does this through our 4 areas: Worship, Learning and Caring, Service and Evangelism. At New Song Breakfast we’ve been looking at journeys, and in the last few months, the journey that Christ took from riding into Jerusalem on a Donkey to the Last Supper, The Cross and the Empty Tomb. We’re going to continue with the theme of journeys. There are many other stories of journeys throughout both the Old and New Testaments, many of which are journeys that bring people closer to God. If they told your story, whereabouts on that journey would you be?

Watch the information to see how you can live out your discipleship and continue your journey.

April - May 2017

Loving God, Loving People, Making Followers of Jesus

**New Song Network Warrington**



**New Song at a Glance….**

*Bible Study: 1st Wednesday evening, 7.30pm at Latchford (3 May)*

*New Song Kids: 1st Sunday afternoon, 3.30—5.30pm at Bold Street (7 May)*

*Discipleship: 2nd Sunday evening, 6.30pm at Latchford (14 May)*

*New Song Breakfast: 3rd Sunday morning, 9am at Latchford (21 May)*

*New Song Café: 7pm at Bold Street (28 May)*



Hello and Welcome to New Song Network Warrington. We are a growing church that has a variety of opportunities for worship, discipleship, and fun for all ages.

We believe in being welcoming; we not only sing our faith, but live it out in very practical and tangible senses. This is done in many varied ways, for example through the Hot Drinks Ministry or collecting advent calendars for the Food Bank. if you would like to be involved please speak to any of our team, our welcomers or Rev. Sue Smith.

Bless you and welcome,

New Song Warrington

Leadership Team

**Welcome**



An update on the knitting for the **‘Fish & Chip Babies’ Charity:** Thanks to everyone who knitted the baby sweaters and hats for poor families in Africa. There were too many to count but there must be 350-400 items sent. What an amazing achievement!



**Can you help out?** There are lots of things that need doing behind the scenes of New Song, and here are a few that we need help with. Speak to Kit or via the contact details on the back. Can you help?

* Help needed on the refreshment rotas for Café and Breakfast.
* Could you help on the sound or lighting desk during Café?



Picnic and walk at **Dunham Massey** on **29th May, 12 noon.** For more information, please use the details from the back page.



**NSN Garden Party**: An advance date for your diaries. After a year’s break, we have plans for a Garden Party on **10th June**.



On **3rd September @6:30pm**, the NS Band will be leading the music during the **Welcome service** at Bold Street for Revd. Linda Bishop, our new minister.



**Action for Children** have two more sponsored walks that you might like to join. On Sat 16th September 1pm, there is a walk to Hilbre Island, and on Sat 20th May 12:30pm, there is a walk across Morecambe Bay. To find out more, use the contact details on the back.



Great things are happening at **Bible Study and Discipleship**. Bible Study is meeting for the next few months at Latchford Methodist Church. Please use the black door on the left hand side of the church building. Refreshments still included. We are currently looking at the book of Acts. At Discipleship we are working our way through some of the Questions of Life using the book of the same name. You are very welcome to join us on the first Wednesday of the month for Bible study and the second Sunday for Discipleship.





NOTE THE DATE: In **July**, **New Song Café** is moving and will be held on **16th July** instead of 23rd July.



Don’t forget, if you ever can’t make it to New Song Café, you can follow along on our twitter feed (@NSWarrington) and also on the Facebook event page as we’ll be live as we go through the evening. It’s a way to be part of the community whilst not physically in the building. Be part of the conversation!



**Circuit Resourcing Day** (As mentioned by Rev Easton) is on Saturday 20th May 9:30am to 1pm at Farnworth Methodist Church. There are 4 sessions including ‘Telling your story’ and ‘The Disciple Bible Study Programme’. For more information, use the e.mail on the back.



During the break at Café if you would like someone to pray with you, people are available in the Doncaster Chapel (off the foyer).



Keep looking at the website and the FB page and group for more information about all that you can be involved with.



The next NS: Warrington **Leadership Team** meeting is on **27th April @7:30pm** at Bold St. All are invited. Please speak to Kit for more information.



**Starlight Walk** is on a Saturday this year - 24th June at midnight. Registration is open now and you can join our group.



**Methodist Mondays in May**. There will be a series of talks during May at Linacre Mission, Linacre Road, Litherland, Liverpool L21 8NS from 7:30-9:15pm. Speakers include, The Revd Dr Christine Jones, The Revd Dr Sheryl Anderson and The Revd Luke Smith, with topics such as ‘Singing the Faith? What is the faith we sing?” For more information, use the info e.mail.



We are very grateful for all those who are able to use the Gift Aid envelopes to donate to the work of New Song Network. Gift Aid enables us to claim 25p for every £1 donated and that makes a huge difference in the work that we are able to do, both within the church and in the wider community.  If you want more information on using the envelopes, please see our Gift Aid Administrator, Dianne Clarke.



**Connect with God: Bible Reading Plan**

Connect with God through reading the Bible and praying daily. Below is a Bible reading plan for the next month.

**w/c April 30:**

Psalm 116:1-4,12-19, c, Luke 24:13-35

**w/c May 7:**

Psalm 23, 1 Peter 1:17-23, John 10:1-10

**w/c May 14:**

Psalm 31:1-5, 1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-14

**w/c May 21:**

Psalm 66:8-20, 1 Peter 4:12-14;5:6-11, John 14:15-21

**Prayer**

God of compassion

free me from what is holding me back.

Help me let go of the hurts I cling to.

In my freedom, give me direction,

in my sharing, give me courage,

in my journeying, give me hope.

And through it all may your Kingdom come.

Amen

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