

Heddon on the Wall Methodist Church



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September Services

2 nd	10.30am	Rev C Barrick AA
9 th	10.30am	Mrs A Cooper
16 th	10.30am	Rev T Leighton
23 rd	10.30am	Rev C Barrick S
30 th	10.30am	Rev J Sewell

October

7 th	10.30am	Rev C Barrick AA HF
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From our Minister

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us? And I said: 'here I am send me' (Isaiah 6: v 8)

Greetings, wow if I was to sum up how it feels to complete a stationing profile it would have to be the words from Isaiah the prophet, 'here I am send me.' I started the process of applying to return to circuit ministry in February this year, not through the normal route, trusting in the stationing process. Leaving my current role as Lead chaplain was a difficult decision, but, felt a strong call back into circuit ministry.

I grew up in Salford and accepted Christ as my Lord and saviour in my youth whilst preparing for confirmation. I began training as a Methodist local preacher in 1985 whilst working in industry and gaining valuable life experience.

I applied as a presbyterial candidate from the Newcastle District in 1994/5 and trained for ministry at the Wesley Study Centre, St John's College, Durham University from 1995.

My first appointment was in the Ashfield Circuit (now Borders Mission) 1997-2007, moving to the Worksop and Kiveton and Bolsover circuits jointly 2007-2014. I currently work for the NHS as a hospital chaplain in Chesterfield.

I am married to Lesley and we have two grown-up children, both married and two grand children.

I have been involved in church life most of my life and have enjoyed serving the Methodist people, who have cared for and nurtured me. I am conscious that our church faces many challenges, not least in the Newcastle West Circuit! Yet, alongside the good people of Heddon, Milbourn and Scots Gap, we come to apply ourselves wholeheartedly to what Christ has given us to do and trust in Him to equip us to become the fruitful congregations we are called to be through: Radical hospitality, Passionate Worship, intentional faith development, Risk taking mission and service and extravagant generosity. The Five practices highlighted by Robert Schnase, we have chosen as a circuit, to fulfil our calling, to be a 'discipleship movement shaped for mission'.

We move to Heddon in August and very much look forward to sharing in what promises to be exciting church life. I believe I have the gifts and graces to both enjoy leading as your minister and together move forward and enjoy bearing fruit.

Heddon Events in September

Sat 1st 10.00-11.15am – Men’s Coffee Fellowship with the Rev. Captain Paul Allinson)

Wed 5th 10.00am-4.00pm – Prayer Day, details to follow.

Fri 7th 7.00pm – Film Night. details to follow.

Wed 12th 11.30-1.30am - Community Lunch, details to follow.

Thur 13th 7.00-9.00pm Photography Group (all levels welcome)
‘The Basics of using Literoom photography software’

Sun 16th 6.00pm - The Living Room – Alternative Worship (exploring the Christian faith in a more relaxed way)

Tues 18th 1.30-3.00pm – Craft and Chat.

Sat 22th 10.00-3.30pm - Ignite Alumni

Sat 29th 9.00-12.00am – Ladies’ Breakfast (Guest Speaker: Joan Histon)

The Garden Room.

Thursday mornings from 10 – 11.30 am. Open for anyone to come along for a cuppa, a confidential listening ear or some quiet time in the church.

We are all encouraged to be more fruitful for Jesus by ‘serving’ and putting our ‘gifts and graces’ into practice in and around our Church and our Community.

Heddon Methodist Church Fruitful Churches planning meeting will take place on Saturday 8 September 10am-12.00am. [Please join us](#) . . .

Refining

A Group met to study the Bible. While reading the third chapter of Malachi, they came upon a remarkable expression in the third verse: "He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver" (Malachi 3:3).

One lady decided to visit a silversmith, and report to the others on what he said about the subject. She went accordingly, and without telling him the reason for her visit, begged the silversmith to tell her about the process of refining silver.

After he had fully described it to her, she asked, "Sir, do you sit while the work of refining is going on?" "Oh, yes ma'am," replied the silversmith, "I must sit and watch the furnace constantly, for, if the time necessary for refining is exceeded in the slightest degree, the silver will be injured."

The lady at once saw the beauty and comfort of the expression, "He shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver." God sees it necessary to put His children into the furnace; but His eye is steadily intent on the work of purifying, and His wisdom and love are both engaged in the best manner for us. Our trials do not come at random, and He will not let us be tested beyond what we can endure.

Before she left, the lady asked one final question, "How do you know when the process is complete?" "That's quite simple," replied the silversmith. "When I can see my own image in the silver, the refining process is complete."

Purify my heart,
Let me be as gold and precious silver;
Purify my heart,
Let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refiner's fire, My heart's one desire
Is to be holy,
Set apart for You, Lord;
I choose to be holy
Set apart for You, my Master,
Ready to do Your will.*

Purify my heart
Cleanse me from within
And make me holy;
Purify my heart,
Cleanse me from my sin, deep within.



NEWCASTLE WEST END FOODBANK

NEEDS YOUR

HELP!



Every week Newcastle West End Foodbank gives out around 1,000 food parcels to local families, couples and single people who are struggling to make ends meet.

Most people we help have lived in the inner city wards of Newcastle all their life. They have problems with finding jobs, delayed benefits and paying their bills.



We need your support to stop people going hungry. Some parents have to skip meals to feed their children, and have to choose between heating their homes or eating.

We desperately need funds to keep our operation going. Even a small donation will help us to stop people going hungry.

Please give what you can.



If you want more information or to get involved, please visit our website or contact us:

Newcastle West End Foodbank

www.newcastlewestend.foodbank.org.uk

Email: foodbank@freshpage.net

Tel: Michael or Matthew on 07580 751365

A Housewife's Prayer

Monday Washing Day· - Lord, wash away my selfishness and vanity so I can serve You with humility

Tuesday Ironing Day· Lord help me to iron out the wrinkles of prejudice I have collected over the years so I can see beauty and value in others·

Wednesday Mending Day· Lord help me amend my ways so I will not set a bad example to others·

Thursday Cleaning Day Lord help me dust the many faults I have in corners of my heart·

Friday Shopping Day· Give me Grace Lord to shop graciously, wisely and purchase eternal happiness for myself, my family and friends·

Saturday· Cooking Day, Lord, today may I brew a bot of brotherly love and serve it with clean sweet bread of kindness·

Sunday· Lords Day, Lord, I have prepared my house, my heart for you, - so I can spend today and every day in Your Presence·

HEDDON METHODIST CHURCH

PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

Wednesday 5 September 2018
Prayer and Activity Day

Open to all to come along anytime between 10am-4pm
(come and go as you choose)

The day includes activities to help us focus and direct our prayers

Commencing at **10am** with a short time of worship to open the day
Ending with another short time of worship at **4pm** to close the day

Prayer Stations

- Prayer Labels (doing something to thank God)
- Crafty Prayers (a variety of craft making activities for making, praying and displaying)
- Butterfly Prayers (bring to mind and pray for those people on our hearts)

The Garden Room

Available throughout to enjoy refreshments and fellowship
(tea, coffee and biscuits provided - bring a packed lunch)

The Peace Garden

Follow a path leading us round the garden and into
the Poustinia - the place to pray at the end of the path
Visit the Prayer Pond

Prayer Walking

Walk in prayer around Heddon Village (between **11-12** & **2-3**)

PopUp Foodbank Donations

You might just want to 'pop round' and leave a donation of long-life food or toiletries
in the Porch to the Foodbank for those less fortunate than ourselves

COME AND GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR WHAT HE IS DOING IN OUR LIVES

Heddon Church Activities.

Tues monthly.	1.30pm	Craft & Chat
Wed	7.00pm	Bible Study
Thur	10.00am	The Garden Room
	2.00pm	Prayer Meeting.
1 st Sat Mth	10.00am	Men's Coffee Fellowship.

Duty Rotas

September

Date	Door am	Flowers	Coffee	Cleaning
2 nd	G Pyle	A Browning		M Dobby
9 th	E Richley			
16 th	D Shaw	E Banks		
23 rd	M Gibson	S Booth		
30 th	B Philipson	D Hodgson	L Woodward	
October				
7 th	Y Hart		B Philipson	M Tulip

Vestry Duty.

	2 nd	9 th	Sept 16 th	23 rd	30 th
am	W Chinery	D Shaw	M Tulip	B Philipson	W Chinery

Oct	7 th
	D Shaw

If you are unable to fulfil your duties please find a substitute