

LIBERTY FARM



Liberty Farm Community Interest Company is looking for a Director. The CIC aims to support people disabled by chronic illness and also provide services to people in and around Greater Manchester. The support offered will include accommodation for the chronically ill as well as equine facilitated learning, outdoor-based interventions and life skills development.

We are looking for a Director to assist with the oversight and development of the company, with the role being similar to that of Trustee for a charity. If you are interested, would like to have more information about Liberty Farm or be involved in some other way, please email libertyefl@gmail.com, go to www.liberty-efl.co.uk or speak to Emma Nock between the Sunday morning services.

PASTORAL CARE AND VISITING

If you know of someone who is unwell, in hospital or would like a visit because they cannot get to church, please let Cris know through the church office or speak directly to Beryl Pickersgill 01457 762020 who coordinates our Visiting Team.



THANK YOU

Thanks to all who contributed to the Tear Fund collection for the DEC appeal regarding the famine in East Africa. £714.15 was raised and has been sent off.

MEN'S WEEKEND

We will once again be having a men's weekend at High House in the beautiful Borrowdale region of the Lake District from 9th-11th June. Information leaflets are now available at the back of church.

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The church office is open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9.00am to 3.00pm and Wednesday 10.00am to 3.00pm



April 2nd 2017

Sunday 2nd April

9.15am and 11.15am Communion and Children's Groups

'I believe in the forgiveness of sins'

Luke 7: 36-50

Tuesday 4th April

7.30pm West Hill Concert in church

Wednesday 5th April

9.00am Prayer Meeting
10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop
2.00pm Art, Craft and Knitting group

Thursday 6th April

7.30pm Worship Group

Friday 7th April

11.00am Trinity School assembly
12noon Carers Connect in St Matthews

Saturday 8th April

9.30am Men's Breakfast with Matt Hooper

Sunday 9th April

Palm Sunday

9.15am & 11.15 Morning Praise with Children's Groups

'Who is this man?'

Matthew 21: 1-11

WELCOME !!

We are delighted that you are with us for our services this morning.

If you are visiting or new to Holy Trinity it's great to have you with us - we hope that you feel at home. Please make yourself known to one of the welcome team (wearing white badges) after the service - they would love to get you a cup of coffee and tell you a bit about the church.



BIG CHURCH DAY OUT

This is a two day festival on Friday and Saturday 2nd and 3rd June at Capesthorne Hall in Cheshire. There will be worship led by Bethel Music, Rend Collective, Switchfoot, Casting Crowns, Tim Hughes, Worship Central and many others together with fun activities for all the family. Anyone willing to serve on team for the day gets a free place and food. There are flyers at the back of church and more information at www.bigchurchdayout.com. You can attend for both days and camp over or just go on the Saturday.



We have discovered that the Chester Diocese has 'bagsied' a field of its own and negotiated a far better discount than we could ever achieve (e.g. £25 adults and £19 for kids for the full weekend). On the back of this info, we've decided: if you can't beat 'em, join 'em! We'll still stick together as a church group, within the field.

If you've booked your tickets already, you should CANCEL them and re-book via: <http://www.chester.anglican.org/event.asp?Page=1421#.WMfBEFXyjIV>

Any questions, see Lou Mitchell or contact her on 07980 139591.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting this year will be on Monday 24th April at 7.30pm. This is the meeting where our financial accounts for the year are presented, we elect our churchwardens, PCC members, Deanery Synod reps and welcome team for the coming year and we review and give thanks for all that God has done amongst us.



To take part in this meeting you must be on the Electoral Roll which is essentially a church membership list. Please speak to John Haslam to get an application form if you are not already on the roll – or to check the list on the board to see whether you are.

Nomination forms are now up on the noticeboards. Please be praying about whether you should stand for any of the posts or whether you should ask someone else about nominating them.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Please join us for a men's breakfast in St Matthews on Saturday 8th April from 9.30- 11.00am. The speaker will be Matt Hooper. Matt is part of the leadership at Life Church Bradford and also a worship leader. He is co-author of the song 'We believe' which we often sing. Tickets which include a full English breakfast are £5.00 – now available from Tom.



EASTER SERVICES

Palm Sunday	9 th April	9.15am and 11.15am	Morning Praise
Maundy Thursday	13 th April	7.30pm	Simple communion service
Good Friday	14 th April	10.30am	All age service for the whole family
		2.00pm	Hour long meditation at the cross
Easter Sunday	16 th April	6.00am	Sunrise service on Ridge Hill
		9.15am	Easter communion service
		11.15am	Easter communion service

Invitation cards are at the back – please ask friends and neighbours to join us.



THY KINGDOM COME

Archbishop Justin Welby is inviting Christians everywhere to pray for God's Kingdom to come in their neighbourhoods and in the nation from 25th May (Ascension Day) to 4th June (Pentecost Sunday). We will be getting involved in various ways. You are also invited to the Chester Cathedral for a celebration on Sunday 4th June at 5.30pm when Stuart Townend will be leading worship. See the Chester Diocese website for more information.



Stuart has written many well known worship songs including 'How Deep the Father's Love', 'In Christ Alone', 'The Power of the Cross' and 'Beautiful Saviour'.

Tom has some free tickets – please get them from him asap if you'd like to go.

INTERNS

We are seeking two new interns aged 18-25 to work at Holy Trinity from September 2017 to serve in the youth, children, schools or worship ministry areas. They will be part of the New Wine Discipleship year programme which involves a day a week of teaching and training with interns from other churches in the region, as well as attendance at various conferences during the year. If you know of anyone who might be interested, or other churches who might have young people who would be interested, please forward them details or speak to Tom. Leaflets available at the back.



FOODBANK

At the moment the Foodbank is short of the following items:

Fruit Drinks, Long Life Milk, Tinned Fruit, Coffee, Mashed Potato Powder, Tinned Potatoes, Tinned Rice Pudding, Dried Milk.

Could you please supply these things in preference to other items? Many thanks for your continued support.



TEA AND CAKE

Another invitation to enjoy scrumptious cakes and refreshments on Saturday 22nd April in the church lounge from 11.00am! Georgia Stokes our intern is going to Uganda on a short term mission trip as part of her New Wine Discipleship Year training. She will be helping in an orphanage, school, local churches and the community. She leaves on May 10th and would welcome your support to help her raise funds for the trip.

MATHIAS STRING QUARTET

Mottram Parish Church are hosting a concert by the Mathias String Quartet from the Royal Northern College of Music on **Saturday 15th April at 7.30pm in St Michaels**. Tickets are £10 and include wine and soft drinks. Phone 01457 762268 for more details.



COLLECTION

We do not pass a collection plate during our services - instead we have a basket near the church entrance where we ask people to place their gifts towards God's work. The work of the church depends upon the regular faithful giving of God's people and we encourage all who consider themselves members of Holy Trinity to give using envelopes or by standing order so that we can reclaim Gift Aid on their donations.

If you don't already give in this way, please speak to Jamie Shepherd or Mark Wilde for more information or pick up a finance information pack from the back of church.

If you do not give regularly but would like to make a donation today, please use one of the envelopes on the cupboards at the back and place it in the basket before or after the service. Thank you!



40 DAYS WITH JESUS



After Easter we are going to be following a teaching programme which is called '40 days with Jesus' that examines the events following the resurrection on Easter Sunday and leads us through the 40 days up to Pentecost. We will be preaching on this in the sermons on Sundays and also following the material in our small groups with some short video introductions and notes.

There is also a devotional book of daily readings for the 40 days which we will purchase for anyone who would like a copy. Many people struggle with daily Bible reading and often our new year resolutions to do so have worn thin by this time of year. This is an opportunity to re-engage with regular Bible reading and to be inspired by the events of the resurrection. Sign up today on the sheet at the back of church if you would like us to order you a copy - cost will be £5.00.

GARETH COTTRELL



Many folk will remember Gareth Cottrell who attended Holy Trinity for a while. Gareth now works for UCB radio and has his own show.

He is going to be broadcasting live from Mottram Evangelical Church on Wednesday 12th April and is seeking an audience to be there! The show will include testimonies from local people, some teaching from Martyn Cooling (the minister at MEC) and some live music from Brightline. Please arrive about 12.30pm - the show starts at 1.00pm.



ST MARY'S NEWTON

St Mary's are holding a fundraising evening on Saturday 22nd April at 7.30pm. The evening will involve a group of musicians called 'Restrospect' who perform in a variety of different styles and there will also be a Potato Pie supper. Tom has some complimentary tickets if anyone would like to go.

COMMUNION

When we come to share in bread and wine we invite everyone who has committed their life to Jesus and wants to follow him to come forward. The front rows come first and stewards will tell you when to move. Usually those on the left go to the left hand side and those on the right go to the right. Please stand or kneel to receive bread and wine as you prefer and fill up as much of the space at the front as you can. Non-alcoholic juice is available instead of wine - just let those who are serving know. There are also gluten free wafers.

