

# Weekly services

Sunday 9am Holy Communion in church  
Sunday 10am Genesis children's group (most Sundays)  
Sunday 10.30am Morning Worship in church (HC 4<sup>th</sup> Sun)  
Mon, Tue, Wed 9am Morning Prayer on Zoom  
Wednesday 10.30am Midweek Communion in church

# Weekly Growth Groups

Sunday 6.30pm Rob's E-100 group on Zoom  
Monday 8pm Tim's group, mainly on Zoom  
Monday 8pm Rob's group, nearly always on Zoom  
Tuesday 7.15pm Exodus for 11-15s Zoom or church hall  
Tuesday 8.15pm Rob's monthly group on Zoom

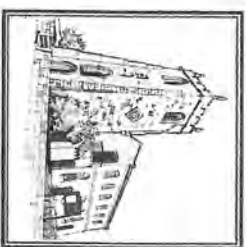
# Church Officers

Churchwardens: Jayne Weaver  
Assistants: Yvonne Janvier, Peter Cotton, Charlotte Webb  
Church Treasurer: Trevor Jenkins  
Genesis leaders: Fiona Pulle, Jayne Cawood, Karen Cragg  
Exodus leaders: Rachel Copley, Rob McLaren  
Safeguarding Officer: Allan Whiston  
PCC Secretary: Janet Chettle  
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# Link

*Dear Friends,*

It would be good if you can join the children of Genesis, and other church members, in following through the Lent booklet: Dust & Glory. There is also a Dust & Glory App with similar themes. Like any 40-day programme, there are one or two days that may lift your eyebrows! But overall, it is a good thoughtful guide through the important timeless themes of Lent.

The next two weeks' activities include:

Be kind to someone who is having a difficult time.

Watch some outtakes from your favourite films (things going wrong – it happens to all of us), eg Funny or inspiring clips on 'dealing with failure'.

Read or listen to the Book of Jonah. Read Psalm 51.

Pray for those who have to make big decisions in our world.

*Yours in Christ, Rob*

## Teaching series in Lent

Our Lent series is from Mark 12 where Jesus, in the busy temple courtyards, was approached by religious leaders with a variety of difficult questions.

## Dust & Glory: every day in Lent

Genesis families will have a booklet and a set of activities to do each week. The rest of us can buy a booklet or get the App for a daily thought/prayer, plus join Genesis in one or two activities per week.

This week's activities:

Be kind to someone who is having a difficult time.

Watch some outtakes from your favourite films (things going wrong – it happens to all of us). Clips with a funny or inspiring take on 'dealing with setbacks or failure'.

Read or listen to the Book of Jonah. Read Psalm 51

## Aid to Syria/Turkey £500+ sent

Thanks to all who have given to the Relief efforts in Syria/Turkey, and the church collection through Barnabas Aid has raised over £400, plus £100 from the Community Choir to the British Red Cross.

## Men's event on Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> March 7.15pm

A relaxed informal Pie-tasting night for men of all ages at Mark Hopwood's house at 48 Macclesfield Road. Church members are welcome to bring a friend or family member. Let us know you're coming for catering purposes, by signing the list at the back of church, or ring/text Rob's church phone 07591730255. £5 each to cover food. Bring your own drinks.

## Christian Aid Lent Lunches and music

Holmes Chapel Christian Aid group has 12 noon homemade soup lunches in St Luke's church hall followed by 1.15pm music recitals in Church. £5 3<sup>rd</sup> March; 12 noon lunch followed by 1.15pm Slipper Band.  
10<sup>th</sup> March: 12 noon soup lunch, 1.15pm Wendy MacDonald on the organ  
17<sup>th</sup> March: 12 noon soup lunch, 1.15pm Community Choir  
24<sup>th</sup> March: 12 noon soup lunch, 1.15pm Stephen Haigh on the organ

## Magazine help needed

Can you help with our church magazine? We need you. Please join a team to keep the magazine in production. Tell Alan, Sue, Rob, Jayne or Trevor.

## Stuart Jamieson's funeral on 9<sup>th</sup> March

Stuart has been a regular at 9am for 3 years. His funeral is at The Birches Crem at 11am on Thu 9<sup>th</sup> March. Rob is away and the family asked another minister. Tell John at Bernard Court if you are going (its there afterwards).

## Holmes Chapel Singers concert 18<sup>th</sup> Mar

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm at St Luke's Church. Singing Mozart's Requiem and Haydn's Nelson Mass. £14 adult ticket incl. glass of wine/soft drink.

## Next Family Service 19<sup>th</sup> March

On Mothering Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> March, the 10.30 service will be all-age together

## Coffee and Croissants 2<sup>nd</sup> April

The Social Committee are going to do Coffee (proper!) and Croissants for breakfast on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April from 9.30 -10.30 in the Church Hall. This will be available for the 9.00 congregation after their service, and the 10.30 congregation before their service. Come and join us, a chance to meet up and chat with members of the other congregation. Hope to see you there!

## Palm Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Donkey at 10.30

Palm Sunday with Missy the donkey: a short family service at 10.30 then follow the donkey from the churchyard to the Methodist church for a Palm Sunday style procession, then coffee etc. with the Methodists.

## Easter Weekend special services

7<sup>th</sup> April 10.30 Shared service at the Methodists

Good Friday 12 noon Hot cross buns in St Luke's church hall

12.30 Churches Together Walk of Witness

2pm Favourite hymns and meditations at St Luke's

9<sup>th</sup> April Easter Sunday. 9am and 10.30