

March 2011 Newsletter

Connecting Church to Community

The Connect newsletter goes out to churches in and around the Height. Its aim is to let you know what is going on in the other local churches. You can see if there is anything you want to come along to, get involved in, pray for or tell others about. We want to form deeper connections between the churches, so that, in turn, we can connect more effectively with our local community.

Foundations of Faith course

St John's Church will be holding a Foundations of Faith course on four Tuesday evenings from 22nd March to 12th April, 7.30pm to 9pm (with refreshments from 7.10pm). These will be informal sessions for those new to the Christian faith who want to know more and for those "older" in the faith who want to refresh and strengthen their relationship with God. All are welcome.

Holy Reading

A new prayer group is starting at Holy Angels on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at 3pm for 45 minutes. Called Holy Reading, the group uses the slow careful reading of Scripture (Lectio Divina) as the basis of our prayer, praise and action. It is not Bible study or a discussion group, but allows us to listen to God's word, respond and rest in Him.

Parents', Carers' and Toddler Group. Volunteers wanted!

The Height Methodist church holds a Parents', Carers' and Toddler Group that meets on Thursdays from 9.30-11.30am in term time and caters for babies and toddlers from 0 to 4 years. A small charge is made per family. There are various activities for the children and refreshments are included.

Additionally volunteers are wanted to put the toys out at the start and away at the end of each session.

Please speak to Joyce Smethurst, 789 4312 or Diane Greaves 736 7787 for more information.

Women's World Day Of Prayer.

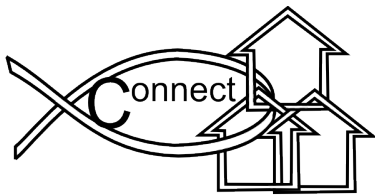
Women's World Day Of Prayer, Friday, March 4th 2pm at The Height Methodist Church, King Street. Speaker Mrs Carole Burgess. Do come and invite your family, friends and neighbours [Everyone welcome - men too!]

Alpha

The next Alpha will be starting on Tuesday March 15th @ 7.30pm at Salford Elim, do you know someone you could ask? It's a great opportunity for people you know to understand what you believe and why. It answers some of the tougher questions in a relaxed safe environment! Ring Mary if you want to ask more questions 07974 653813.

Churches together in worship.

1st Sunday evening of every month at Mount Chapel, starting at 7pm and finishing by 9pm. A meeting which involves worship, testimony, prayer and encouraging one another to continue to work to see God's kingdom come in Salford and beyond. Currently, we have people from Elim, LCC, Elmwood and Mount Chapel attending and it encourages unity. All are welcome!



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Theos: Explorations In Disciple-Making

There will be a course starting in Holy Angels church, hosted by Salford Elim on Thursday 20th January at 7.30pm. It will run once a month for 6 months and is around the theme of discipling.

Thursday 17th March,
Thursday 21st April,
Thursday 19th May,
Thursday 16th June and
then finishes on Saturday
2nd July from 9.30-
lunchtime.

For more info contact Neil
on 07771 558058, or
contact us through
www.salfordelimchurch.org

Football Focus

Football focus is on
Saturdays during school
terms 10am to 11am on
Rabbit Hills Fields, Bolton
Road. Football Focus
offers coaching by F.A.
Qualified coaches to boys
and girls age 5 to 16. The
first week is free.

The cost is just £1 per
person per week with the
first week free. With
monies going toward trips
out to places like
'Sportsoccer' and to
subsidise our Football
Focus kit. For more
information ring Tony on
0161 736 0302 or 07958
067325.

Singing with Dementia Forget me not group

As an extension of the work
we do in the Alzheimers's
resource centre in Eccles,
we are starting a
therapeutic singing and
music session in April.

It will be held on
Wednesdays 11am-1pm at
the Humphrey Booth
Centre on Worsley Road
Swinton. Carers and
sufferers of Dementia are
all most welcome. The
sessions are completely
free. We will be playing
music from yesteryear,
some we shall sing too,
some will be a movement
session, some you may like
to dance to or just sit and
relax. It is all very
therapeutic. We hope the
session will be a social one
two. It is a warm friendly
atmosphere, you will make
new friends and the music
will help you to recall
memories from the past
which you have enjoyed
and associate with happy
times.

To be able to sing is NOT a
requirement.

At Humphrey Booth there is
a nice cafe which serves
drinks and light lunches, so
you may wish to stay for
lunch and continue to chat.

The exact start is not yet
known so for more
information phone June
Smith on 0161 788 9053 or
email jgumboots@hotmail.co.uk

Please come and join in
this enjoyable session.

Shawl Ministry

We are hoping to set up a
group of people from the
local community who are
interested in either knitting
or crocheting, to meet one
afternoon a month to make
shawls and blankets which
can be given out to friends,
neighbours or Church
members who are either
rejoicing in a birth or ill, sad
or mourning, as a gesture of
good will. We hope to make
this a friendly occasion
where people can also
enjoy a cuppa and
fellowship.

If you are interested there
will be an initial meeting at
The Height Methodist
Church on King Street on
Tuesday 29th March at
2pm. If you are at all
interested, please come
along to find out more. You
can be sure of a warm and
friendly reception! Contact
Diane at 736 7787 for more
information.

Get involved!

Have you any thing you'd
like to advertise in next
months newsletter? Would
you like to contribute a short
article about something you
are involved in your church
or local community, or
perhaps about something
completely different.

Get in touch with me by
emailing:

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Or talk to one of your church
leaders.