| January - February Services | | | | |
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| 05 January | 10:30 am | United Covenant Service at Trinity Methodist Church - Rev'd Jenny MacGregor | | |
| 12 January | 11 am | Rev'd Jenny MacGregor | | |
| 19 January | 10:30 am | United Service at Farnworth - Rev'd Jenny MacGregor | | |
| 26 January | 11 am | Mr Alan Lee | | |
| 02 February | 11 am | Cafe Worship - Mr John Thompson | | |
| 09 February | 11 am | Mr Brian Fisher | | |
| 16 February | 11 am | Local Appointment | | |
| 23 February | 11 am | Mrs Connie Smith | | |

| Chu | urch Hall Ac | tivities |
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| 3:30 pm | Children's D | Drama Group |
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Mondays

| | 6:30 pm | Adult Community Choir |
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| Wednesdays | 5 pm | Slimming World |
| Thursdays | 10 am | Bridge Quilters (3rd Thursday of the Month) |
| | 6 pm | Rainbows/Brownies |
| | 7:30 pm | Guides |
| Sundays | 6 pm | Ignite Youth Church |

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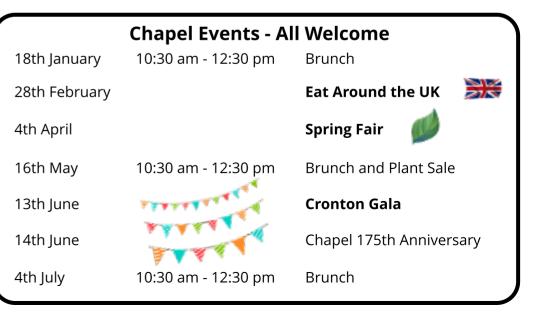
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New Year - 2020



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Three Oriental Bay Owls

Not to be confused with the Three monkeys (see no evil, hear no evil and speak no evil) or Three Wise Men or Three blind mice or Three men in a boat etc. etc. Still confused of the connections?

Confucius (551–479 BC) was a Chinese philosopher and politician. The philosophy of Confucius, also known as Confucianism , emphasized personal

and governmental morality, correctness of social relationships, justice and sincerity. Confucius is said to have believed in astrology, saying: "Heaven sends down its good or evil symbols and wise men act accordingly". The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community believes Confucius was a Divine Prophet of God,

Section Twelve of the Analects (a collection of Confucius quotes) has this to say:

"Look not at what is contrary to propriety; listen not to what is contrary to propriety; speak not what is contrary to propriety; make no movement which is contrary to propriety."

Certainly this was written down 4-500 years before Christ was born by someone with good values of how to live with the whole of humankind.

How often do we get confused with our image of God and how God interacts with our lives? Are the Three aspects of the Trinitarian God actually seen as being paramount to our Christian faith? Or is it the Elephant in the room, something to be avoided.

Make 2020 the year to speak of the Trinitarian God and find the ability to stress that God the Creator works hand in hand with God the proclaimer (of the Good News shown through the life and teachings of Jesus Christ) and which is poured out in the companionship of the Holy Spirit which works within our own spiritual and social lives. The consequential outcome for a Christian is the true relationship with God, the Three in One. Methodists take up the fourth Analect of Confucius or John Wesley's Golden Quadrilateral Rule that All may know they are saved. Disciples of today (you and me) have to pledge to bring the Trinitarian God together with practical unconditional love to All of God's people, whatever and whenever opportunity arises. The Three Wise Men heard and saw evil and changed their plans, the three blind mice were oblivious to their surroundings and needed the veil lifting so that they could follow the light; the Three men in a boat (1889 Jerome K Jerome's book) were all in need of a rest due to overwork and found new insights into what was good in the world and they found it on a boat journey together. The Three Wise Monkeys (Owls or Elephants or people) are for us to seek continually the Wisdom of God's words in God's world today. To be careful what we say, hear and see - to be careful not to cause stumbling blocks as people seek the love of God, to provide stepping stones instead.

We travel together and look forward to more and more Divine intervention throughout our thoughts, words and deeds and for us to activate our faith accordingly. Be Good Samaritans and you will witness to God's unconditional love and go the extra mile.

Love and blessings, Rev'd Jenny

Thank you all for my lovely prayers, cards and good wishes and practical support. We are stronger when we work together in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Informal Worship

Finding it difficult to attend church on a Sunday? Why not join us on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (term time only) at 7.30 pm for relaxed, informal

worship.



All welcome

14th January 11th February

Widnes Foodbank Shopping List - March

Top Three Items

- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Stewing Steak
- Tinned Ham / Chicken
- UHT / Dried Milk
- Sponge Puddings
- Tinned Potatoes
- Instant Mashed Potato
- Washing Up Liquid
- Small Jars of Coffee

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| January | • | | |
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| 5th | Mrs Unsworth | | |
| 12th | Mrs Glover (In Memory) | | |
| 19th | Mrs Walker (In Memory) | | |
| 26th | Mr Woodcock (In Memory) | | |
| February | | | |
| 2nd | Mr Marshall (In Memory) | | |
| 9th | Mrs Fazakerley | | |
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| 16th | Mrs Codd | | |
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Flower List