

# 24th November 2024

**11am** Circuit Service here at Leyland Road **6pm** Raising Praise

**1st December -** 10.30am Communion Service led by Rev Ernie Grimshaw

- 6pm Memorial Service with Massam & Marshall

**Image: 1 Samuel 1:4-20** 

Our Mission is to share the heart of God at the heart of the community

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## Lectionary Readings 24th November 2024

1 Samuel 1:4-20; 1 Samuel 2:1-10; Hebrews 10.11-14(15-18)19-25; Mark 13.1-8

#### Weekly Activities

Mondays 10am-4pm Warm Space

**Tuesdays 7.30am** Ecumenical

Prayers at Lakeside Church

2.30pm Fellowship Group

Wednesdays 12pm Prayer Time

Thursdays 10am Toddler Group

#### Prayer

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus
Christ ascended to the throne of
heaven that he might rule over all
things as Lord: keep the Church in
the unity of the Spirit and in the
bond of peace, and bring the whole
created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for
ever. Amen.

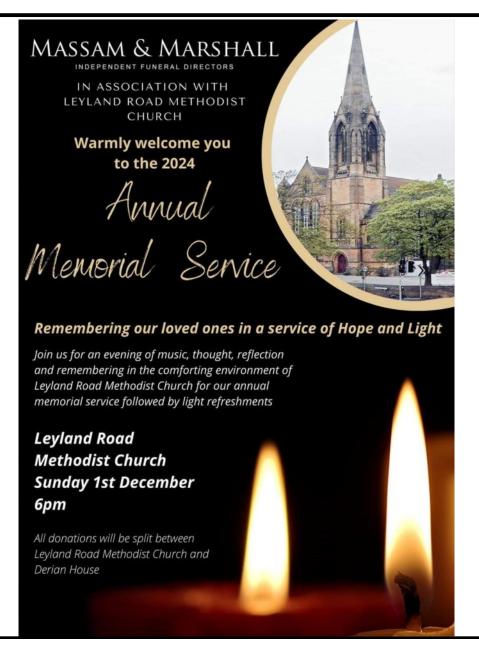
#### Meeting with the Chair of District

In response to many requests from the church members and attendees, a meeting has been arranged with James Tebbutt, the Chair of District, on Friday 29th November at 6.30pm. This is a meeting for all members and adherents of Leyland Road and Russell Road churches and will provide an important opportunity to ask questions and voice the concerns that have been present since Sonya was suspended in January. Depending upon numbers, this will be held in the church coffee lounge or the church.

### A Celebration of Simon & Garfunkel

Friday 6th December at Leyland Road Methodist Church
Doors 6.45pm/7.30pm start
Tickets £15 from Leyland Road Church office or scan QR code below.





Christmas Fair

Our Christmas Fair will be on Saturday 30th November 11am-2pm. Chocolates, Gifts, Christmas Cards etc Bacon/Sausage Barms, Soup & Refreshments Available

#### Circuit 9am Communion at PPW

Starting in December, the circuit's early morning communion will now be held on the 3rd Sunday of each month. The next service will take place on Sunday, 15th December

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## Praying with Scripture

LECTIO DIVINA or SACRED READING is a simple and ancient way of praying using Scripture. The idea is to slowly read aloud, preferably, a few verses from the Bible. Hearing them aloud helps us to be able to think about how we can apply them to our everyday lives, leading to a personal response in prayer and a gentle resting in the love of God.

There are 4 parts to this rich discipline:-

- 1. *LECTIO:* Read the passage aloud slowly enjoying the words as Psalm 119 v 103 says, "How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth."
- 1. *MEDITATIO:* Mediate, or in other words, think deeply about the words, making connections with our own life journey, seeing which thoughts come to mind as we reflect on them.
  - 1. *RATTIO:* Express our response to *God* with our voice. This might sound a bit strange, but it means talking or singing, and why not even dancing as we tell the Lord what is in our heart and expresses our love for Him.
- CONTEMPLATIO: Contemplate which means sitting in silence, resting in God, not striving, just trusting that in the depths of our being that God is at work, bringing healing and refreshment.

May I suggest that you have a go at this using Psalm 139 verses 13-18

- 13 For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
  - 14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.
- 15 My frame was not hidden from you. When I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.
- 16 Your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.
- 17 How precious to me are your thoughts, God! How vast is the sum of them!

  18 Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand. When I awake, I am still with you.

Bon courage!

**Ernie**