

*More than just church*

## The Olive Branch

The Olive Branch is a drop-in based at 2c Castle Street, at the top of the road near the roundabout, and has been 'loving Edgeley' for the past 6 years. It is staffed by a team of volunteers drawn from a mixture of church members and friends from elsewhere.

It is open each day, engaging in a variety of activities which offer support to the most vulnerable in the community, including a Foodbank, mental health and basic cookery groups.

If you would like to know more or you are interested in volunteering then please contact the Manager - Christine Cheetham on 07511 364054 or ring the Olive Branch on 0161 425 0707

## The Sanctuary

This is a support group based in Stockport Baptist Church, run in partnership between Olive Branch and The Prevention Alliance (TPA) designed to promote physical, mental, financial well-being and connection to the community. It meets on Tuesday mornings, 10-12.

## Thursday at One

Thursday at One is a group that meets every Thursday at 1pm in partnership with MIND and to support people with mental health issues through the use of art and craft.

For more information, please speak to Chris or Margaret Batchelor.

## Small Groups

There are several small groups that meet for fellowship, bible study and prayer – they usually meet in person but some of them have moved online and operate as zoom meetings. If you are interested in knowing more than please contact Steve or one of the Deacons.

## March 2022 Newsletter



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**Fellowship News**

Stockport Baptist Church is a friendly group of people of all ages, who meet together regularly to worship God and serve Him in the local community. Our vision statement is *'To be more than just church'*. We believe God has called us to be a blessing to our local community and we feel excited about being involved in helping to shape and change the lives of the people who live in the community by introducing them to Jesus.

Our normal service is held on Sunday morning at 10.30 am and consists of a mixture of lively, modern worship songs plus some more traditional hymns. We use the overhead DVD projector and sing along to the music. The services are livestreamed and can be accessed via the church YouTube site.

The services programme for March is as follows :

	Theme	Speaker / Leader
<b>March 6</b>	Unanswered Prayer Session 1 – God on Mute	Leader : Steve
13/3	Unanswered Prayer Session 2 – Maundy Thursday	Leader : Terry
20/3	Unanswered Prayer Session 3 – Good Friday	Leader : Steve
27/3	Unanswered Prayer Session 4 – Holy Saturday	Leader : Chris C, Sarah and Behnam



Every Monday 12.30 – 2.30pm  
in the church lounge  
(music supplied by James Wadsworth)

**Chill and Chat**

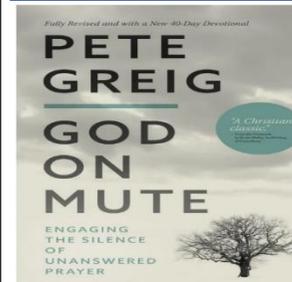
At Chill and Chat you will find space to chill and chat” Come and meet friends (old and new) and share fun, food and fellowship together. Please bring your own lunch (sandwich, soup, etc.) and we will provide hot and cold drinks.



We have been asked by food.gives & Barnabus to act as a collection point for donations to Christians in UKRAINE – they are asking for certain food items (see list), warm clothes and blankets. These will be collected and transported to a warehouse in Swindon before being shipped to Ukraine. Please only donate NEW or GOOD AS NEW items!

**Church AGM – Sunday March 20<sup>th</sup>.**

There will be a church AGM after the Sunday service on March 20<sup>th</sup>.



This month we start a new 6 week series on the topic of ‘Unanswered Prayer’ based on Pete Greig’s book ‘GOD ON MUTE’.

See Steve if you would like to order a copy of the book at £10 copy.