




The  
United  
Reformed  
Church

**Bamford Chapel  
& Norden URC**

**Hosanna!**  
**Crucify him!**  
**Finished!**  
**He is risen!**  
**Alleluia!**



**April 2026**

# **BAMFORD CHAPEL & NORDEN URC MISSION/VISION STATEMENT**



Loving God, Serving Others,  
Building Community

## **OUR JESUS-SHAPED CHURCH IS...**

### **Welcoming!**

Jesus welcomed **all** who came to Him without judgment, and we aim to be an inclusive church, welcoming to all.

### **Developing Faith!**

Jesus' ministry was all about sharing the Gospel with others. As a church, we need to make sure we are deepening faith and making disciples, supporting individuals on their own faith journeys, and taking the Gospel and sharing our faith beyond the walls of our church.

### **Reaching Out!**

Jesus reached out to everyone, and we must too: within our own church community, within our local community and beyond. We will serve God by serving others.

### **Caring!**

Jesus said: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." It is essential that all that we do is done in love and that caring for others/serving others is at the heart of our church.

### **Prayerful!**

As it did for Jesus, we will make sure that prayer underpins all that we do as a church, that we might serve the mission of God as He wills.

# April 2026

Every Monday	7.30 - 8.30 pm	Prayer Group in the Lounge (all welcome)
Thursday 2 April	7.00 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship Led by Linda Lees
Good Friday 3 April	10.00 am	Good Friday Worship Led by Debbie Wood
	1.30 pm	Good Friday Family Ramble led by Andy Platt
	7.00 pm	Good Friday Sketches (see page 5)
Easter Sunday 5 April	9.00 am	Easter Breakfast (sign up in the coffee area)
	10.30 am	Easter Sunday Worship with Communion Led by Revd Richard Bradley
Wednesday 8 April	7.00 pm	Midweek Worship Led by Ed Lyne (see page 7)
Saturday 11 April	10.00 am - 12 noon	Big Breakfast In aid of Embassy (see page 12)
Sunday 12 April	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Revd Ruth Watson
Tuesday 14 April	1.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Friendship Group (see page 22) Coffee, Cake, Chat & Table Games
Saturday 18 April	6.30 for 7.00 pm	Community Film Club "Save the Cinema" (see page 26)
Sunday 19 April	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Andy Platt
Sunday 26 April	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Cameron Baines
	2.00 - 4.00 pm	Messy Church (see pag 20)
Tuesday 28 April	10.30 am	Coffee, Cake & Chat (Churches Together) At Norden Methodist Church (see page 14)
	7.30 - 9.00 pm	Tuesday Home Group (see page 6)

Next Missional Partnership Café Church, Sunday 4 May at BC & N URC

# Message from the Minister

## Lemon Sherbet Moments



### Have you ever had a Lemon Sherbet moment?

If you've ever eaten one of those classic sweets, you'll know the experience. You start with the outer shell, which is quite sour. You suck away patiently, wondering why you bought the thing in the first place... and then suddenly — bang! You hit the sherbet in the middle and your hair nearly stands on end.

Well, let me tell you about my Lemon Sherbet moment - which, for the avoidance of doubt, had absolutely nothing to do with sweets.

A few months ago I woke up in a rather grumpy mood. No dramatic reason. I was simply trying to get through the day without biting anyone's head off. (You may have had similar mornings.)

Later that day I was riding home from one of our churches on my motorcycle, still in this delightful mood, when a thought floated into my mind like a butterfly: “Why don’t you ask a saint to pray for you?”

Now, this struck me as slightly mad. I have a Catholic background, but never had any interest in all of that saints-stuff. But I thought, well, I’ve got nothing to lose - and no one will know. So I prayed: “If there are any saints up there with a few minutes spare, would you mind saying a prayer for me?”

And then something rather unexpected happened. Within seconds I was enveloped by a mystical moment - Pentecostal friends might say the Holy Spirit was filling me with God's presence - completely blowing away my mood and filling me with joy. It was exactly like hitting the sherbet in the middle of a Lemon Sherbet.

Christians often pray the words of the Lord’s Prayer: “Your Kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven” - which, incidentally, beat Belinda Carlisle’s hit song *Heaven Is a Place on Earth* by about two thousand years.

I always get complaints if I leave the Lord's Prayer out of a service. But if we’re honest, many Christians quietly assume heaven is kept at a very safe distance, somewhere behind the pearly gates, secured with the sort of padlock you’d normally find on a bicycle in the centre of Manchester. We all struggle with this. We’d quite like a bit more heaven in our lives, but it can feel rather far away.

Well, that moment on my motorcycle rather ruined my tidy, padlocked version of heaven. Heaven, it turns out, is much closer than we think.

So my prayer for you today is that you have a Lemon Sherbet moment: pushing through the sour bits of life, and then suddenly - *whoosh!* — you hit the sherbet and realise that God’s love is real, that He loves you enormously, and that His love isn’t locked away behind an iron fence. It’s closer than you think.

***Keep the Faith***  
***Daniel Harris***

# Holy Week

## HOLY WEEK

FROM PALM SUNDAY TO EASTER SUNDAY!

29<sup>th</sup> MARCH - 5<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2026

WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US!



PALM SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> March: Morning Service led by Andy Platt and the Youth groups 10:30am

MONDAY 30<sup>th</sup> March: Church open for personal prayer and time with God 10am-12noon

TUESDAY 31<sup>st</sup> March: Church open for personal prayer and time with God 2pm-4pm

WEDNESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> April: Church open for personal prayer and time with God 1pm-3pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY Service with Communion led by Linda Lees 7pm

GOOD FRIDAY Morning Service led by Debbie Wood 10am

GOOD FRIDAY WALK led by Andy Platt meet at chapel 1:20 pm to leave chapel at 1:30 pm

GOOD FRIDAY DRAMA Front Row Golgotha (and other sketches) performed by Food For Thought 7PM

EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST organised by Junior Church from 9am

EASTER SUNDAY Morning Service with Communion led by Richard Bradley 10:30am



# Good Friday Sketches



**Bamford Chapel and Norden URC**  
*presents*



## ***Front Row Golgotha***

and other fun sketches delivering the Easter story

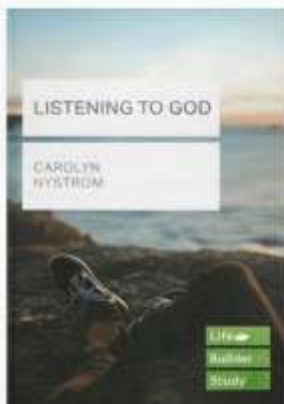
**Good Friday 3 April**  
**7 pm**

*Bamford Chapel and Norden URC, Norden Road, OL11 5PQ*

Website [bcnchurch.org.uk](http://bcnchurch.org.uk)

# Tuesday Home Group

## Tuesday homegroup on Zoom 7.30-9pm



### 28th April

The God who speaks – Genesis 1–3

### 12th May

Listening to the God who hears – Genesis 16:1-15; 18:1-33

### 26th May

Listening to the God of Covenant – Exodus 33:7–34:14

### 9th June

Listening to God when all is lost – 1 Kings 19:1-21 and 2 Kings 2:1-13

### 23rd June

Listening as Worship – Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

### 7th July

Responsibility of a God Listener – Ezekiel 33

### Zoom details:

Meeting ID: 847 9885 2008

Passcode: 517449

For more information please contact Revd Richard Bradley on:  
[richard.bradley@nwsynod.org.uk](mailto:richard.bradley@nwsynod.org.uk) or 07483 155807



# Midweek Worship 2026

**BAMFORD  
CHAPEL &  
NORDEN URC  
INVITE YOU  
TO....**

Join us for  
worship at  
7pm on the  
second  
Wednesday  
of every  
month



## MIDWEEK WORSHIP

14/01/26  
11/02/26  
11/03/26  
08/04/26  
13/05/26  
10/06/26  
08/07/26  
12/08/26  
09/09/26  
14/10/26  
11/11/26  
09/12/26

*Pray*



## Pop in for Prayer



Look out for the “Pop in for Prayer” sign  
in front of the Chapel gates.  
It means the Sanctuary is open for prayer.  
Why not come along and  
“Pop in for Peace”.

**Mondays 10 - 11 am**  
**Tuesdays 2 - 4 pm**

For those who are unable to attend Sunday morning worship, services are live-streamed on YouTube (Bamford Chapel and Norden United Reformed Church) and available on the church website ([www.bcnchurch.org.uk](http://www.bcnchurch.org.uk)) There is also Midweek Worship at 7pm on the 2nd Wednesday of every month and a Sunday evening Café Church at 6.30pm every 2 months.

**Front Cover artwork “Hosanna Declaration”  
By Francesca Ross (Parish Pump)**

# *That Day*



That day was a day like never before  
As the Saviour died and the darkness grew,  
Earth shuddered and rocks were split apart  
As the veil of the temple was torn in two.

The centurion who witnessed all these things,

The earthquake, the One who was nailed to the wood,

Seeing Him die could only say,

‘Surely this man was the Son of God’.



Death was defeated, the stone rolled away -

And man was released from all his bonds,

Christ rose as victor that glorious day.

The Light had pushed the darkness back,  
He now stands resplendent for all to see,  
Forgiveness, redemption all wrought on the cross,  
The eternal fruits of Calvary.

*By Megan Carter*



# Never Far Away

**Editor:** *Lester Amann from Parish Pump considers how the risen Christ reveals Himself to us...*



© Lavistachurchofchrist.org

We can only imagine how the two travellers to Emmaus felt, knowing that Jesus had died. Gone were their hopes for a bright future. They thought God had let them down. They had suffered a cruel blow and were bewildered and upset.

In their grief, the risen Jesus came alongside them and spoke with them at length, but somehow, they didn't recognise Him. Why was this, and why did Jesus intend to leave them at Emmaus without first revealing who He was?

The answers may be found by looking back at the encounters Jesus had with people. He never forced His true nature onto anyone. Every individual had to make up their own mind as to who He was, and to decide if the things He said were true.

Today, Jesus does not 'gate-crash' into our lives. In a number of ways, He gently and persuasively reveals Himself. So, the story of the walk to Emmaus should encourage us each time we feel His absence; at those times when we thought He would step in and immediately solve our problems! On *our* journey of life, we can have times of sadness, and it can seem as though God is far away.

But while we are thinking that Jesus has left us alone, He is actually with us. He knows where we are and what we are feeling. He can quietly draw alongside us. Surprisingly, it can sometimes be in situations of sadness and solitude that Jesus 'speaks' to us more clearly.

We don't have to go off in search of some 'religious experience' or to a special 'holy place'. He is present in the here and now. Jesus is the unseen companion on every journey and the unseen guest at every meal. In His way and in His time, our Lord reveals Himself to us in different situations. We may be aware of His presence in surprising circumstances and on unexpected occasions. How important it is that we stay alert.

There will be times when we will be like those two men on the Emmaus Road, searching for answers. We will earnestly desire clear and direct answers to our questions and the knowledge, understanding or revelation may be slow to come. But, with Jesus, there are many lessons to be learnt along *our* Emmaus Road that would not have been discovered any other way.

***Further reading: Luke 24:13-35***

## Church Flowers

**Donations for flowers  
in Church in March were received from:**



**Diane Healey for Family birthdays  
Carolyn Divers in memory of Dad  
Derek & Daughter Sam's birthday  
Jenny Marquis in memory of  
Husband Eric  
Margaret Frain in memory of  
Husband Geoff  
Anne Fitton for Anne & John's  
Golden Wedding Anniversary**

# Big Breakfast

*Fancy a bacon butty?*



*Saturday  
11 April*

Endless toast  
and drinks

*10.00 – 12.00*

Vegetarian option  
available

*In aid of*



Embassy



**£6.00**

*Bamford Chapel and Norden URC, Norden Road, OL11 5PQ*

# Resurrection Prayer



Loving Father,

Thank you for Jesus; for His life and death, but most of all for His resurrection, which makes all things new and possible.

Thank you for the reality that He defeated death by His work on the Cross and offers life forever with Him to all who believe in Him and receive Him into their lives as Lord and Saviour. Thank you for that incomprehensible but very real resurrection peace that we can know even in our darkest times by the presence of your Holy Spirit in us.

In joy and thankfulness, we praise and honour you this Eastertime.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

*By Daphne Kitching*

## North West Rochdale Churches

### Coffee, cake, and chat

Come and meet friends from other churches in the North-West Rochdale area

Date	Time	Church
26 <sup>th</sup> February	10.30am	Bamford Chapel & Norden URC
18 <sup>th</sup> March	2pm	St Vincent's RC Church
28 <sup>th</sup> April	10.30am	Norden Methodist Church
21 <sup>st</sup> May	7pm	St Michael's CE Church

An opportunity to enjoy fellowship together and meet friends

For more information feel free to contact Revd Richard Bradley on:  
[richard.bradley@nwsynod.org.uk](mailto:richard.bradley@nwsynod.org.uk) // 01706 369622 // 07483 155807



## Dawn Chorus



If you sleep with your bedroom window open, you will know all about the dawn chorus around now. The birds are busy establishing their territorial rights, and the 'early birds' have probably already selected a nest site and started building.

The blackbird builds a solid cup of twigs, plant stems and leaves, lined with a thick skin of mud covered with finer grasses and leaves. The long-tailed tit forms a soft hollow ball of mosses, hair and wool, with a tiny hole as entrance.



The wrens do it differently, with the male wren sometimes building several nests before his finicky mate will accept one. He gets his revenge, though, because he sometimes installs a second wife in one of the rejected sites.

## Chapel Banners



Have you ever wondered about the banners that stand at the front of church? Where did they come from? Who made them?

It may come as no surprise to some people that they were designed and made by several members of Bamford Chapel over a period of 17 years.

The first to be made were the **Harvest** and **Christmas** banners in **1981** by Hilary Edmonds, Shiela Yates and Jean Lamb. They then produced a banner celebrating **Easter** in **1982**.

In **1987** the **Whit Walks** banner was made by Hilary with the help of Debi Burridge and Muriel Sturrock.

In **1994** the **Advent** banner was made by Debi and Hilary, followed by the purple **Lent** banner in **1995** and in **1996** they produced the **Wedding** banner.

In **1997** Hilary produced the Daybreak banner and a small 'portable' banner for Bamford Chapel.

In addition to these banners, Hilary made several others. These included, in **1995 & 1997** the 4 small 'Lifeline' Music Stand banners. In **1996** she made the **Dreamcoat** for the musical **Joseph** produced at chapel. With help from others, she also produced 2 banners for the musical **Godspell** in **1998**.

A big 'Thank You' to Hilary and all the talented sewers involved in producing these banners that are a staple of life at chapel.

*Linda Kerford*

## Thank you from David Edmonds



*Dear Richard*

Many thanks to you and your congregation for the wonderful memorial service for Hilary.

It was the joyful and memorable celebration of her life that we had hoped for in our spiritual home amongst long lasting friends.

May God continue to bless all of you serving so brilliantly!

Best wishes

*David*

## The Life of Maureen Grundy



Maureen and I were one of the first to move into BAMFORD MEWS which was previously known as Knowl View Special School. I came to know her well as her husband, Roy served on the Mews Committee as I did. When Roy died we became close and we spent many happy Sunday afternoons enjoying Songs of Praise, sharing our Christian faith and the Christian booklets provided at festival times.

Maureen and her husband Roy began worshipping on-line with us here at BC&N during Covid. Before the epidemic they had belonged first to Alkrington and Providence URC (Roy had been Treasurer and Maureen had raised money by selling various hand-made craft products at markets in the area) and then they worshipped at the combined Bamford Chapel and Norden URC. So far so 'ordinary' but Maureen was by no means ordinary!!! After World War 2, Maureen and her friend Maggie travelled to New Zealand where they took up jobs in the banking industry.

At first they lived 'in a hostel' but the bank soon settled them in private accommodations. They quickly made friends among the

ex-pats. Maureen and Roy soon “found” each other. They soon married and lived in Wellington, where Michael, their first child was born.

Subsequently the happy couple decided to rear the family in the old country and so sailed back to Britain on a cruise liner. Maureen often told me of that wonderful journey home, sailing East to reach the West Coast of America and through the Panama Canal.

After settling in Middleton, twin boys, Andrew and David were born. Later the family moved to the Rochdale area and after a number of years, when the boys moved into their own homes, Roy and Maureen finally settled in their lovely house in Bamford. They were later blessed with grandchildren and enjoyed holiday times with them. They took pride in their achievements and one has become a talented, professional musician. Maureen battled for well over 20 years with Parkinson’s disease and was a great inspiration to all her neighbours and friends, as she was determined to live life to the full right to the end.

*Written by Joan Warner*



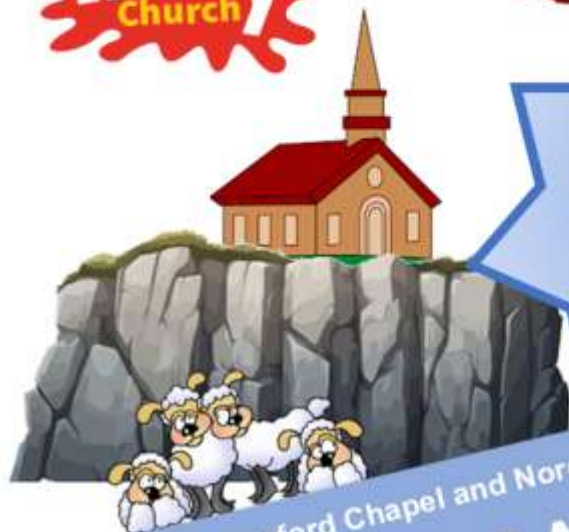
Following my recent illness I would like to thank you all for your concern, messages and the beautiful flowers brought by the pastoral group. They were much appreciated.

*God Bless - Carol Hartley*

# Messy Church



ALL ARE WELCOME



Peter

Number 1  
disciple

@ Bamford Chapel and Norden URC

Sunday 26 April

14.00 – 16.00

craft



Come to

Professor  
Potty's



Lab

children

please bring an adult with you

Follow us on



BC&N URC Messy Church

Website:

[bcnchurch.org.uk](http://bcnchurch.org.uk)

# Basic Life Support Training



Congratulations to 16 students from Bamford Chapel and Norden URC who attended Basic Life Support Session today! The students have learned - and some refreshed lifesaving skills - CPR and AED! It has been such a pleasure to do training for this lovely group!

A big thank you to our funders and all people and organisations who support our work - we would not be able to do it without your support!

If you would like to learn CPR and AED please reach out to us via email [support@katestraining.uk](mailto:support@katestraining.uk) or WhatsApp 07362 512257

***Kate's Training***

## Friendship Group



At the Friendship Group in March Linda Kerford showed pictures and talked about an exhibition called “The Longest Yarn 2, Britain at War – 80 Year Anniversary”. The exhibition shows Britain at war depicted through knitted & crocheted characters and scenery.

Twelve people enjoyed the photos, with coffee and cake afterwards, which led to conversations about wartime memories.

**All are welcome to our next social meeting on  
Tuesday 14 April, 1.30 - 3.30 pm  
Come and enjoy table games followed by coffee and cake**

## Homeless Armed Forces Veterans



Last month I started advertising my involvement in the Royal British Legion's "Tommy Appeal" - camping out overnight to raise money for homeless armed forces veterans. I've done numerous winter camps, so one of my camping trips can raise some funds for this good cause.

The support has been AMAZING! Each passing week saw my target smashed. With your help, I have raised over £500.

The Tommy Appeal runs throughout March. I was due to camp on Friday 20th. I am going to push this back to Sat 28th March, maximising the fund raising opportunity.

If you have already supported me - a bit heart-felt thank-you!  
If you want to support me, you still have time. Hit the link below! (Or cash in person, and I can pay it in.)



Please donate to my page and help me make a difference



<https://socialsync.app/fundraiser/cr-k395I406kov5>

*Revd Daniel Harris*

# A History of our Easter Chocolate



Chocolate. Just a mention of the word can trigger off all kinds of emotions: craving, greed, passion. Few foods have the ability to get such a hold on people. As you buy your Easter eggs and bunnies and whatever else this month, here are some of the facts of chocolate:

***Where does chocolate come from?*** Chocolate is made from the seeds of the tropical cacao tree, *theobroma cacao*. The Greek word 'theobroma' means literally 'food of the gods'. The Cacao Tree is found in Latin America.

***Who first discovered it?*** The Aztecs. The cacao beans were used to prepare a hot, frothy beverage with stimulant and restorative properties, something like hot chocolate.

***Who was (probably) the first chocoholic?*** The Emperor Montezuma. He drank 50 goblets a day of the frothy drink.

***Who used chocolate as currency?*** The Aztecs. 100 cacao beans would buy a slave; 12 cacao beans bought the services of a courtesan, etc.

***When did chocolate as we know it today begin?*** Surprisingly, not until 1879. That year Rodolphe Lindt had the inspired idea of triglyceride cocoa butter. The cocoa butter in chocolate contains saturated fat, but a normal level of consumption doesn't have any bad effects.

***At what point does a chocolate lover become a chocoholic?*** It is generally considered to be when a person feels impelled to consume 12 or more 60 gram bars of chocolate per week. Chocolate contains its own cannabinoid (a chemical that prolongs pleasurable sensations) and when you eat chocolate, there is an increased blood flow in areas of the brain which are also activated by addictive drugs such as cocaine. But scientists agree that

occasional over-indulging will cause no long-term problems... except perhaps around your waistline!

***How to get the best from your chocolate:***

- Keep your chocolate cool (16 – 18 degrees Centigrade) and in a dry, airtight place.
- Never put your chocolate in the fridge (if you already have, let it warm to room temperature for a couple of hours before you eat it).
- Bring out the full flavour of chocolate by drinking water with it.
- If you are drinking tea or coffee, don't bother with expensive chocolates – you won't be able to appreciate them properly!



## Golden Wedding



Congratulations to Anne and John Fitton on their Golden Wedding Anniversary. They were married on 20th March 1976 at Bamford Chapel by Revd Jeff Yates.

# March Film Club

The Ian Newman  
Community Film Club

**CINEMA  
FOR ALL**

2025 - 100 years of  
Community Film Clubs

**Saturday 18th April 2026**

**6.30pm refreshments : 7.00pm film**

**Admission £4.00**

**“Save the Cinema” 2022 12A**



© Save the Cinema Ltd 2021 All rights reserved.

***Supported by Rochdale Township***

## More Amusing Quotes

Originally submitted by Lesley Sutton in the July & August 2013 magazine

### Being Thankful



A Rabbi said to a precocious six-year-old boy “so your mother says your prayers for you each night”. That’s very commendable. What does she say?” The little boy replied “thank God he’s in bed!”

### Unanswered Prayer

The minister’s five-year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day she asked him why. “Well dear” he began, proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. “I am asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon,” “How come he doesn’t answer it?” she asked.

### Say a Prayer

Little Adam and his family were having Sunday lunch at his Grandmother’s house. Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When Adam received his plate he started eating right away. “Adam!

Please wait until we say our prayer” said his mother. “I don’t need to” the boy replied. “Of course you do” his mother insisted. “We always say a prayer before eating at our house”. “That’s at our house” Adam explained. “But this is Grandma’s house and she knows how to cook!”



## Midweek Opportunities for Learning & Sharing Fellowship

- Monday:** 9.00 am **Monday Gang / Garden Gang**  
(who do work in or around the building)  
10.15 am **Pastoral Group Meeting**  
1.30 pm **Bridge Club**  
7.30 - 8.30 pm **Monday Prayer Group** (in Lounge)  
8.00 pm **Monday Night Home Group** (at Redmond's)
- Tuesday:** 9.00 – 11.00 am **Toddlers' Group**  
1.30 – 4.00 pm **Indoor Bowls** (Upstairs Hall)  
From 6.00 pm **Rainbows**
- Wednesday:** 12 noon **Luncheon Club**  
**Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association**  
6.00 pm **Anchor Boys (age 5 - 8)**  
6.45 pm **Juniors & Company Section**
- Thursday:** 10.30 am - 12 noon **Community Coffee Morning**
- Friday:** 6.00 pm onwards **Beavers, Cubs and Scouts**
- Sunday:** 7.30 pm **God Squad** (for Teenagers)

## Fortnightly & Monthly Opportunities

- Tuesday:** **Home Group** 28th April  
7.00 - 9.00 pm On Zoom (see page 6)  
**Friendship Group** 2nd Tuesday in month  
1.30 - 3.30 pm 14th April (see page 22)
- Thursday:** **Heritage Group** 3rd Thursday in the month  
7.30 pm 16th April
- Friday** **Dementia Friendly Café** 1st Friday in the month  
1.30 - 3.30 pm **NB None in April (Bank Holiday)**
- Saturday:** **Ian Newman** 3rd Saturday in the month  
**Community Film Club** 18th April  
6.30 pm for 7.00 pm film (see page 26)

For further information please see website [www.bcnchurch.org.uk](http://www.bcnchurch.org.uk)  
contact Anne Fitton or speak to an Elder.

# BAMFORD CHAPEL & NORDEN URC MAGAZINE



## **EDITOR:**

Linda Peacock            01706 522593  
[lm.peacock@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lm.peacock@hotmail.co.uk)

## **ASSISTANT EDITOR:**

Lesley Sutton            01706 638005  
[suttyjohnny@gmail.com](mailto:suttyjohnny@gmail.com)

## **DATES FOR MAY 2026 MAGAZINE**

**Articles to be handed in by:**            Sunday 19th April  
**Magazine to be completed by:**        Thursday 30th April  
**Magazine distributed:**                    Sunday 3rd May

## **BAMFORD CHAPEL & NORDEN**

### **United Reformed Church**

Charity - Regd No 1128387

**Norden Road, ROCHDALE, Lancs. OL11 5PQ**

**[www.bcnchurch.org.uk](http://www.bcnchurch.org.uk)**

**Ministers of the Rochdale, Bury and  
North Manchester Missional Partnership**

### **Revd Richard Bradley**

**The Manse, Norden Road, ROCHDALE, Lancs OL11 5PQ**

**Telephone: 01706 369622**

**Work Mobile: 07483 155807**

**Email: [richard.bradley@nwsynod.org.uk](mailto:richard.bradley@nwsynod.org.uk)**

### **Revd Daniel Harris**

**Work Mobile: 07563 286345**

**Email: [daniel.harris@nwsynod.org.uk](mailto:daniel.harris@nwsynod.org.uk)**

### **Church Secretary: Anne Fitton**

**Telephone: 01706 641403**

**Email: [annefitton@btinternet.com](mailto:annefitton@btinternet.com)**

### **Wedding Secretary: Julie Platt**

**Telephone: 01706 360129**

**Email: [julie\\_platt62@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:julie_platt62@hotmail.co.uk)**

### **Lettings Manager: Nicki Houghton**

**Telephone: 07502 308964**

**Email: [nahoughton@sky.com](mailto:nahoughton@sky.com)**