



The  
United  
Reformed  
Church

## Bamford Chapel & Norden URC



Love is patient;  
love is kind;  
love is not  
envious  
or boastful  
or arrogant.

1 Corinthians 13: 4

## February 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.

# February 2025

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Every Monday             | 7.30 - 8.30 pm             | Prayer Group in the Lounge (all welcome)                                   |
| Sunday<br>1 February     | 10.30 am                   | Family Worship with Communion<br>Led by Revd Richard Bradley               |
| Tuesday<br>3 February    | 7.30 - 9.00 pm             | Tuesday Home Group (see page 8)  |
| Friday<br>6 February     | 1.30 - 3.30 pm             | Dementia Friendly Café (all welcome)                                       |
| Saturday<br>7 February   | 7.00 pm                    | Rochdale Rotary Present Concert<br>By Bloom Community A Band (see page 24) |
| Sunday<br>8 February     | 10.30 am<br>2.00 - 4.00 pm | Family Worship<br>Led by Cameron Baines<br>Messy Church                    |
| Tuesday<br>10 February   | 1.30 - 3.30 pm             | Friendship Group Social<br>with Tea/Coffee and Cake (see page 24)          |
| Wednesday<br>11 February | 7.00 pm                    | Midweek Worship<br>Led by Revd Richard Bradley                             |
| Saturday<br>14 February  | 10.00 am<br>- 12 noon      | Big Breakfast<br>In aid of Rochdale & Heywood Foodbanks                    |
| Sunday<br>15 February    | 10.30 am                   | Family Worship<br>Led by Margaret Bywater                                  |
| Tuesday<br>17 February   | 7.30 - 9.00 pm             | Tuesday Home Group (see page 8)  |
| Saturday<br>21 February  | 6.30 for<br>7.00 pm        | Community Film Club<br>"Finding Your Feet" (see page 26)                   |
| Sunday<br>22 February    | 10.30 am                   | Family Worship<br>Led by Ed Lyne   |

## Message from the Ministry Team

The first Sunday of 2026 found me leading a service in which I ordained and/or inducted people into Eldership. I always find these services a huge privilege and in some ways quite emotional services too. As an act of the wider Church we recognise God's call on individuals to serve God and the Church in the ministry of Eldership. During that service we read "The Statement Concerning the Nature, Faith and Order of the URC." Whenever I take part in reading it I am reminded, as I said on this particular Sunday morning, why I am part of the URC. At the beginning of that statement we read:

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|--|---|
| With the whole Christian Church the United Reformed Church believes in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.<br><b>The living God, the only God, ever to be praised.</b> | The life of faith to which we are called is the Spirit's gift continually received through the Word, the Sacraments and our Christian life together.<br><b>We acknowledge the gift and answer the call, giving thanks for</b> |
| <i>The opening 2 stanzas of The Statement Concerning the Nature, Faith and Order of the URC.</i>   |   |

The acknowledgement here that we as followers of Christ are on a journey of faith, and that life of faith we are called to journey on is a gift of the Holy Spirit. As followers of Christ, we are called to be people who make a difference in the world. Whilst this statement is read when we Ordain and/or Induct Elders and Ministers of the URC, I think it serves as a reminder to us all of the call that God places on each of us when we commit to following Him. When we acknowledge the gift and answer the call.

As we journey on into a New Year, and it is hard to believe that as I write this article, we are already halfway through January, I hope and pray we do so trusting in God, known to us as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. I pray that each of us would not only recognise that continued call to faith and trust in Jesus, but also that call to serve Christ and His Church in whatever way He desires.

May we, through prayer, reading the scriptures and serving together as brothers and sisters in Christ, know the presence of God this day and every day. To God's praise and glory.

I invite you to join me in a prayer:

*Gracious God, as we journey through 2026, may we be a listening people, a faithful people, a trusting people. May we follow where you are calling us. May we know your hand leading us, guiding us, and upholding us. May we know our life of faith is a gift of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

***God bless us all as we commit afresh to Him.  
Your Servant in Christ, Richard***



**Front Cover artwork "Love is Patient"  
by Paul Judson (Parish Pump)**

## 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:  
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# Trinitarian Prayer Cards

At our Steering Group meeting on 19 November, we were introduced to this Trinitarian prayer crafted by Tom Wright. Building on the Eastern Orthodox Jesus Prayer, retained at its centre, Wright broadens its scope to express a fuller Trinitarian theology. Respecting the Orthodox tradition yet uneasy with addressing Jesus alone, he offers a prayer that embraces Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The prayer reflects three movements of divine action. The Father seeks to establish his kingdom among us — a hope we share for our churches. Yet humanity is a conflicted species and unable to bring about God's purposes. But we appeal to Christ's mercy, trusting in him to make us new. Finally, the Holy Spirit brings Christ to us in person, and empowers us to fulfil the Father's will, renewing our churches, communities, and ourselves.

In the New Year, the Steering Group will distribute three prayer bookmarks inspired by this text, offering customary and creative ways to pray. We encourage you to share each prayer card weekly throughout January.

Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth:  
Set up your kingdom in our midst.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God:  
Have mercy on me, a sinner.  
Holy Spirit, breath of the living God:  
Renew me and all the world.  
Amen.



## **A Trinitarian Prayer** (No 1 in a series of 3.)

The prayer reflects three movements of divine action. Firstly, the Father seeks to establish his kingdom among us — a hope we share for our churches.

*The Prayer:*  
"Eternal Father, creator of all that is: let your reign take root among us.  
Jesus Christ, Son of the living God: show compassion to me in my brokenness. Holy Spirit, life-giving presence of God: revive my heart and bring renewal to us all."

**Revd Daniel Harris**

# Winnie the Pooh and Lent 2026

*Editor: By the Revd Roy Shaw, a retired but active priest in the diocese of York, where he is a spiritual director.*



Remember the Winnie the Pooh stories? And Kanga's insistence on Baby Roo's taking his Strengthening Medicine? It's 'really quite a nice taste when you get used to it', she explained, although I'm not convinced Baby Roo always agreed.

It can be helpful to think of Lent as a sort of medicine; an opportunity to strengthen us in the things that are good, rein in other facets of our personality, and reset the compass to the true North of following Jesus. A Spring-clean of the soul, if you like.

Baby Roo (and Piglet on the one occasion he was subject to it) found Strengthening Medicine not to their liking, and we may groan inwardly at the thought of 'giving up something for Lent'. Think of what lies behind this 'giving up'. It's so that we may be strengthened, our character refined, our prejudices examined, our junk thrown overboard, and we may come to Passiontide and Easter more fit to walk the way of the Cross, and rise in new life with Jesus at His Resurrection.

Nor is Lent just a case of giving up chocolate. One year I gave up Facebook for Lent, having spent far too much time scrolling through it each day. It freed me to do other, more constructive things. And instead of giving up, why not take up something you've been meaning to do but never got round to; something life-affirming, something good for God.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, which this year falls on 18<sup>th</sup> February. Many Christians go public with their intention to keep a good Lent by being



'ashed' - the sign of the Cross made on the forehead in a mixture of ash and holy oil at a special service that day. The ash is usually the burnt remains of the palm crosses from last year. Having been ashed, the intention of the 40 days of Lent is to maintain a steady course closer to God, symbolised by the giving up of something - like chocolate - which has a hold on us. We walk with Jesus on the way to the Cross, mindful of the 'riches of God's kindness, forbearance and patience' as St Paul has it, and mindful too of Jesus' choice of the Cross as a way for us to enter those riches more fully.

And to face the immensity of that sacrifice, and the immensity of God's riches made available to us in Jesus, we need all the Strengthening Medicine we can get!



## Weekly Service Sheet



After many years Joan Warner has produced her last Service Sheet. We are very grateful for all the time and effort she has put into it and hope that she can now rest from her labours!

As of 1 February, Jayne Smith is taking over producing the service sheet weekly.

If you have anything you would like included, please let me know by email - [jsjaynesmith@gmail.com](mailto:jsjaynesmith@gmail.com) by 10pm on a Thursday evening!

***Thank you - Jayne Smith***

## Tuesday Home Group on Zoom

### Tuesday Homegroup on Zoom

All are welcome to join us on zoom

**Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm—9pm**

|               |  |
|---------------|--|
| 18th November | The Power of Praise—Acts 16:16-40                      |
| 25th November | Advent Reflections on Zoom                             |
| 2nd December  | Advent Reflections on Zoom                             |
| 9th December  | Advent Reflections on Zoom                             |
| 16th December | Advent Reflections on Zoom                             |
| 6th January   | Becoming a Spiritual Mentor—Acts 20:13-38              |
| 20th January  | Truth on Trial—Acts 25:23—26:32                        |
| 3rd February  | Strength in Weakness—2 Corinthians 12:1-10             |
| 17th February | Feeling Safe In A Storm—Acts 27:1-44                   |
| 3rd March     | Finding Hope in God's Kingdom—Acts 28:11-31            |
| 17th March    | Experiencing Joy in Sufferings—<br>Philippians 1:12-26 |

Zoom details are:

Meeting ID: 847 9885 2008 // Passcode: 517449

If you want to find out more please contact Richard on  
richard.bradley@nwsynod.org.uk or 07483 155807



## 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**

## 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

*pray*

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



# 2026 Missional Partnership Café Church

## Rochdale, Bury and North Manchester Missional Partnership Café Church Worship 2026

Start time: 6.30pm

Venue: Bamford Chapel & Norden URC  
(Unless stated otherwise)

4th January

5th July

1st March

6th September

3rd May

1st November

For further information please contact Revd Richard Bradley on  
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**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.**

## Prayer of thanks for Candlemas and the Presentation at the Temple

Dear Lord,



The shortest month,  
the snowdrop month!  
February brings those  
beautiful, hopeful  
little flowers, also  
called Candlemas  
Bells. Thank You, Lord,  
for the beauty and the  
hope.

Thank You for the reminder of when Jesus was presented at the Temple as a baby. Thank You, for Simeon recognising in that vulnerable baby the promised Saviour of all the world. Oh Lord, how this world needs to hear afresh that message of salvation.

Open eyes to see You and to know You. Open ears to hear Your message of hope and reconciliation. Open hearts to receive Your love and to share it, for the sake of all the suffering people of the world.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

***By Daphne Kitching***



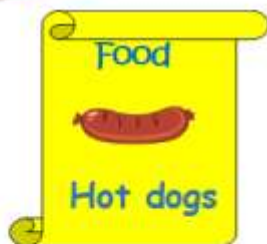
# February Messy Church



ALL  
ARE  
WELCOME



@ Bamford Chapel and Norden URC  
**Sunday 8 February**  
14.00 – 16.00



children

please bring an adult with you

Follow us on  BC&N URC Messy Church

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



# Church Flowers

Thank you to all the people who generously give donations for our church flower fund.

I have placed a calendar for 2026 in the coffee area. If anyone would like to select a significant date to remember a loved one, or to celebrate a special occasion, then please sign your name on the calendar and kindly give a donation to Elizabeth Hazlehurst. We can then place flowers in church for you on that date.

Any donations received will help to provide beautiful flowers in church each Sunday, which will then be taken on Monday by members of the Pastoral Group when visiting those who are unwell, or anyone needing our love for whatever reason. Thank you. *Elizabeth Hazlehurst*

## Donations for flowers in church in December & January were received from:



Elizabeth Greer for family birthdays

Carol Hartley in memory of  
Hilda England

Tom Swann - David's  
birthday memories

Linda Kerford in memory of  
Malcolm's birthday

Hazel Gordon in memory of  
Bob's sister Patricia

Pamela Harrington in memory  
of her brother David

# Memories of Robert Foster



We didn't really get to know Robert, until Ken joined Heywood Probus Club in 2009, although I knew him and Jean, and their daughters through Bamford Chapel. Jean and I were in a small "ladies'" group for a while, along with Debbie Burridge, Pat Gate, Anthea Wood and Lesley Sutton. Apologies if I have left anyone out, it was such a long time ago, but I still make your Parmesan Chicken recipe, Jean!

Robert and Jean were regular participants in the summer Probus walks and lunches, and we often

strolled along together and sat together at lunch. I particularly remember Robert asking me if there could be a grit bin near their house. When it was installed he thanked me profusely, saying "my life is complete". He had a delightful dry and gritty sense of humour.

He was a valued member of the Probus Club and was a committee member. His financial skills were particularly appreciated when he examined the annual accounts. Finance is one of the reasons why the club decided not to have a speaker at every meeting, and Robert volunteered to interview members to find out more about their lives. The first person to be interviewed was Peter Harrington, with Ken due to be interviewed in November. Robert was very keen for me to give him some background information and anecdotes before the interview, which I did. He said he was particularly looking forward to asking Ken about one thing I mentioned, but sadly, the interview never took place (and Ken is none the wiser about whatever he was going to be asked).

Robert and Jean enjoyed their holidays in Spain, where they had a villa and, until a few years ago, they enjoyed taking their caravan on holiday.

Robert was always cheerful and sociable, and I think it is a reflection of his positive and warm character that we didn't realise that he had been having health problems. It was certainly not something that he talked about.

He will be sadly missed by his family, friends at church and elsewhere and by his fellow PROBUS club members.

**Angela Smith and Ken Smith**

*Editor: Robert had many roles at Bamford Chapel over the years including member of the Monday gang, counting offertory money, auditing church accounts, luncheon club driver and decorating the manse before Richard moved in.*



Jean, Jane and Clare would like to thank friends at Chapel for the cards, flowers and messages of sympathy on the death of our dear husband and father Robert.

All greatly appreciated. Many thanks. **Jean Foster**

## To make you smile...

A teacher told her young class of children to try and draw the portrait of someone they knew. While they worked, she walked about, keeping an eye on their progress.

One little girl was working diligently, and the teacher asked who she was drawing. The child replied: "I'm drawing God."

The teacher protested that no one knows what God looks like. Without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing, the girl replied, "They will in a minute."

# February Big Breakfast

*Fancy a bacon butty?*



Bamford Chapel  
& Norden United  
Reformed Church

  
Loving God, Serving Others,  
Building Community

# Big Breakfast

Endless toast  
and drinks

Vegetarian  
alternative

*Saturday*  
*14 February*  
*10.00 – 12.00*

£6

**In aid of**

Rochdale  
**foodbank**



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

## Thank You

Thank you to all for the prayers, good wishes, cards and flowers after my recent health scares and inspections of our NHS facilities, staffed by a caring, knowledgeable group of people, who seem to defy odds when getting on with their business. It may be a while before the shorts make an appearance again, but something to look forward to, or not. Also expressing my thanks to Jane for looking after a grumpy old git, who is even worse due to not being able to do anything.

*Cameron Baines*

## Home Communion



We have recently purchased a new Home Communion Set, and we have several Worship Leaders now authorised to preside at Communion.

If you would like to receive Communion, or if you know anyone who is housebound or in a care home who would like to receive Communion, please let Anne Fitton or any Elder know.

# A Tribute to Malcolm Beaumont

I'm starting this little tribute to Malcolm with a poem that was read by Malcolm's daughter Sonia at his celebration of life service, here in the chapel he called his spiritual home. It's called "A wonderful man ".

## **A Wonderful Man**

**Once upon a time, there was a man.  
The wonderful thing about this man  
was that he was nice.**

**And because he was nice, and because  
he went about his ordinary  
business in his own quiet way, he had a  
strange and alarming effect on people.**

**With his pleasant manner, his kind  
words and his cheery nature, small  
wisps of niceness blew from this  
wonderful man like seeds in the wind  
and they planted themselves deep into  
the hearts of everyone he met.**

This is the man, along with his wife Irene, that I came to know and love when I first came to Bamford chapel about 13 years ago. We had a mutual love of choir singing and music generally, and also of hill walking (particularly in the Lake District) and we would regularly chat about the hills we had climbed, and the beauty of the countryside. His face would light up as he enthusiastically recalled such times with Irene and many of his family.

I have always found it amazing that both he and Irene were still climbing high mountains such as 'Skiddaw' when well into their 80's! This long life of fitness was evident when latterly, he would always want to get up and dance to the music at our dementia friendly cafe at church, and it was always with a beaming smile - in fact, I cannot recall a time when I met him without a smile on his face.





### **Dancing with Elizabeth Greer at the Dementia Cafe**

The lovely poem sums up Malcolm beautifully. He was always pleasant, kind and cheerful, and the wisps of his niceness planted themselves like seeds deep into MY heart.

I am thankful to our Lord Jesus for the privilege of calling him my friend.

**Pat Stephenson**

***Editor:** Malcolm had many roles at Bamford Chapel over the years; choir member, luncheon club driver, cleaning the church, Christian Aid collector, hosting Wartburg Choir students, Christmas carol singing to name a few.*

## **With our Thanks**

The family of Malcolm would like to thank Bamford Chapel and Norden United Reformed Church for helping us to give Malcolm a wonderful send off on December 19<sup>th</sup>. He would have been thrilled to know so many people cared for him. The choir singing was very special and thanks to Pat Stephenson and Margaret Bywater for organising it. The lovely cards and flowers we received were so much appreciated. Malcolm was a fine man and will be missed by us all.

Malcolm's book "My Greatest Days" is a fantastic record of his life. Anyone who would like to read it, please let me know.

**Irene Beaumont**

## RHS Britain in Bloom



In 2021 the Monday Gang applied to the RHS to enter the Britain in Bloom awards. We were astounded when we received Level 5 Outstanding at the first attempt. We had a lot to live up to when we entered again in the following years. Our endeavours were rewarded when in November 2025 we achieved our fifth Level 5 Outstanding award. This meant we had succeeded in achieving our aim of being awarded the Gold Award.

Throughout 2025 we were unsure whether we would achieve this. We had to deal with storm damage bringing down a large tree and damaging a large flower bed. This was followed by the collapse of a wall affecting the rear car park and having to remove all the plants planted in its wake. We also built a new large border in the rear garden, so keep an eye out during 2026 for all the plants and 400 bulbs that were planted.

I would like to thank all the additional volunteers who, during the last year, came and helped on the last Saturday of each month with an extra tidy of the grounds. If you would like to join us, you will be most welcome.

***Linda Kerford***

# Church in the World Project 2025



On behalf of Church in the World thank you all so much for your generosity.

**We have raised £6941 for Great Minds Bright Futures.**

This figure includes Gift Aid, Just Giving from Susannah and Olivia of £650 as well as £140 from the Scouts.

Dave Armstrong is thrilled as are the orphaned children in Malawi which he supports.

**The figure equates to 386 mosquito nets..... brilliant.**



It is reassuring to know that we are helping to protect these children.

Many thanks again.

***Susan Travis (on behalf of Church in the World)***

# The Boffins and the Technocrats

**Editor:** *Have you ever noticed that when you want peace and quiet, the opposite happens? Nigel Beeton wants times of 'quiet' in Lent, but he isn't likely to get many.... He writes: 'You rise from your knees, full of peace. Then the fridge blares at you, because you've left it open. The microwave bleats for your attention. Never mind, you can check the e-mail. No chance – computer orders you to download upgrades (or upload downgrades, I forget which.) So you get into the car to drive to work. That's the worst of all. It moans at you if you don't do your seatbelt up straight away. The sat nav protests that you're going the wrong way. And there are those annoying little arrows that tell you when to change gear. I don't know about you, but I've been driving for nearly 40 years now, I DO know when a car needs to have the gear changed! Aaargh!'*

The boffins and the technocrats  
Help folk like me and you  
Inventing lots of clever things  
That tell us what to do!



My car now has a clever light  
Dispelling doubt or fear,  
Without it I'd have not a clue  
When to shift up a gear!

Of course there is the Sat Nav  
To help me find my way  
The time I learned to read a map  
Was just a wasted day!





My PC's a law unto itself  
So busy telling me  
To upgrade this or restart that –  
The net I never see!

And sometimes, when my work is done  
I turn on my TV  
All chance to watch my programme gone –  
“Retune” it says to me.



The oven, fridge, and microwave  
They make a beeping sound  
Or else they have bright lights which flash  
To order me around.

And so I am a harassed man,  
I live a hassled life;  
The one who shouts at me the least  
Is my sweet and lovely wife!



***By Nigel Beeton***

## Think about it...

**Blessed are they who can give without remembering,  
and take without forgetting.**

**Cleaning house with children at home  
is a lot like snow blowing during a blizzard.**

## 7th February Concert



**Rotary**  
Rochdale

Presents in Concert

**Bloom Music Community A Band**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 7pm

Bamford Chapel, Norden Road, Bamford

**Tickets £10**  
scan QR code

Doors open 6.30pm      Refreshments available

Proceeds to Bamford Chapel Dementia Friendly Cafe  
and to Rotary Rochdale President's charities

**bloom**  
music community



## Friendship Group

**The Friendship Group will meet on Tuesday**

**10th February from 1.30 - 3.30 pm**

**Social Afternoon with Coffee and Cake**

**All welcome**



# 2026 Marks the 225th Anniversary of Bamford Chapel & Norden URC



## Photographic Directory

You may recall we produced a photographic directory to mark the bicentenary in 2021. This was valued by many of you. We are planning to start taking photographs again in January. Further information will be available soon.

We don't have a copy of the last one in our archive so if you have one please would you consider donating it?

## Aural Histories



Also to mark 225 years of worship at Bamford Chapel and Norden URC we are planning to start recording aural histories throughout 2026. This will provide a wonderful archive of your memories and experiences of your life at chapel.

We would like to record the experiences of as many people as possible, from the youngest to the eldest.

***If you'd like to chat about your church life please let Louise Aspinall know.***

***Please also let Louise know if you would like to help with collecting the recordings.***

# February Film Club

The Ian Newman  
Community Film Club

**CINEMA  
FOR ALL**

2025 - 100 years of  
Community Film Clubs

**Saturday 21st February 2026**

**6.30pm refreshments : 7.00pm film**

**Admission £4.00**

**“FINDING YOUR FEET” 2017 (12)**



***Supported by Rochdale Township***

## Used Postage Stamps



**Thank you letter from ABC Recycling (Against Breast Cancer) to Pamela Harrington**

"Hi Pamela

I wanted to personally thank you for your wonderful donation of stamps to our recycling scheme. Each kilogram of stamps we receive helps us raise around £10.00, making a significant impact on our efforts.

Your generosity and the time you took to send the stamps to Against Breast Cancer, truly mean a lot to us. It's supporters like you who make our mission possible.

Our ultimate goal is to prevent secondary breast cancer from claiming lives, and your contribution will play a crucial role in funding our vital research.

Should you wish to receive further information from the charity, please consider signing up for our newsletter by following the link below:

[Newsletter Signup - Subscribe to Together - Against Breast Cancer](#)

Once again, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We would be delighted to receive any future donations of stamps you may wish to send.

***With kind regards***

***Debbie***

***Customer Service Administrator "***

## 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** 3rd & 17th February  
7.00 - 9.00 pm On Zoom (see page 8)  
**Friendship Group** 2nd Tuesday in month  
1.30 - 3.30 pm 10th February (see page 26)
- Thursday:** **Heritage Group** 3rd Thursday in the month  
7.30 pm 19th February
- Friday** **Dementia Friendly Café** 1st Friday in the month  
1.30 - 3.30 pm 6th February
- Saturday:** **Ian Newman** 3rd Saturday in the month  
**Community Film Club** 21st February  
6.30 pm for 7.00 pm film (see page 26)

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