



Sawtry Methodist Church

A Heart for Sawtry

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Notices for Sunday 10th January 2021

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Worship and Fellowship on Zoom

Sunday Worship – 10:30am

10th January – Barbara Spencer
17th January – Local Arrangement
24th January – Rev Sue Baker-Maher
31st January – Rev Nick Witham

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/172859764>

Meeting ID: 172 859 764

Evening Fellowship

7:30pm, alternate Wednesdays.
Next session: 13th January

Afternoon Tea and Chat

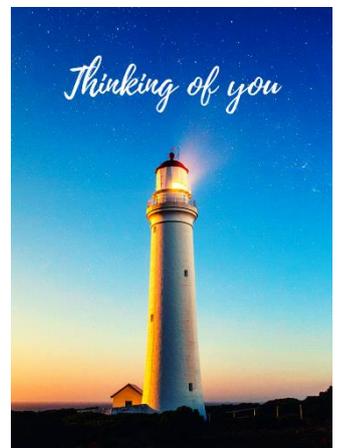
3:00pm, alternate Wednesdays.
Next session: 20th January

Please use the same meeting ID and password as for Sunday services

All are invited to join us for any of these activities – please get in touch if you need help getting connected. If you are unable to join using Zoom, you can still take part by dialling in on 0203 481 5240 and entering the meeting number and password on your phone keypad. Please note that calls to this number are treated as standard national rate calls.

Worship and Fellowship. In line with the latest government advice and guidance from the Circuit, all worship and other activities in our building are now cancelled until at least the end of January. It has been agreed that we will continue with our Zoom-based worship at 10:30am each Sunday in January. There is also the opportunity to meet with others for informal fellowship each Wednesday, alternating afternoons and evenings to ensure that everyone can participate. Please do join us by internet or phone if you can.

January Light. This mission initiative from the East Anglia district is designed to help us to reach out into our communities and spread a little light at this dark time of year. So far, we have been posting regular updates on our Facebook page (which you can also view on www.sawtrymethodist.org.uk) and, thanks to Su and Chris, a 'light window' display in the church is being prepared. Packs of postcards are also available for you to use to send messages of encouragement to friends and neighbours. Please get in touch with Rev Sue or Matt if you would like a pack.



Feeling Low? In view of the increased restrictions on meeting friends and family, and the impact on in-presence worship, do remember if you are feeling low that pastoral care is available. Get in touch with Rev Sue by phone, text, or email on 07483 153948 or sue.bakermaher@methodist.org.uk to arrange a time to chat.

This Week's Bible Readings

Genesis 1:1-5

Psalm 29

Acts 19:1-7

Mark 1:4-11

Please use these readings in your personal devotions this week. If you have any thoughts or insights you would like to share with others via this news sheet, please send them to notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk

Circuit Worship Services on Zoom. Morning worship at 10:30am and 'Refuel' at 7pm every Sunday. The Zoom meeting details may change from week to week, so please check the most recent Circuit news sheet.

Dial-a-sermon. Call 01480 200195 to hear reflections from Rev. Nick or 01480 597118 to listen to Rev. James' Sunday message – both available through the week.

Find us on Facebook. In these days of 'virtual church', it's more important than ever that we maintain an online presence. As well as our website (www.sawtrymethodist.org.uk), we also regularly share news and other content via our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/SawtryMethodistChurch. If you are a Facebook user and you haven't done so already, please visit, like and share to increase our reach.

Please remember in your prayers this week:

- All those in our communities who are suffering as a result of the current crisis
- Local and national leaders and those on the front line of our health and social services
- Our friends in the **St Ives** congregation
- **Sawtry Foodbank**
- **St Benedict's Catholic Community**
- The family and friends of **Audrey Paterson**
- **Rita Corcoran**
- **Graham** (Tess's nephew having a major operation on Friday 18th)
- **Janet & Trevor** (friends of Jo)
- **Louise** (a friend of Martin)
- **Joyce and Tim** – our friends in Nova Scotia
- **Brenda Griffiths**
- **Alicia Nicholls**
- **Eleanor and Gary Kernaghan**
- The **Johnson Family**
- **James and Clare** (Tess's niece and son-in-law)
- **Hannah** (Jo's niece)
- **Anne** (Helen's Sister in law)

If you have any items for prayer, please call 01487 830345 or send them to notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk

Quote of the Week

"The end we ought to propose to ourselves is to become, in this life, the most perfect worshippers of God we can possibly be, as we hope to be through all eternity."

Brother Lawrence (1614-1691)