

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ALL GROUPS (Waiting lists may apply)



# St. John's

Methodist Church

Victoria Road, Horwich, Bolton BL6 5PJ

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## Who's Who?

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**St John's Methodist Church, is a diverse community worshipping, learning and working together to share God's love in our neighbourhood and the world**

St John's Horwich is a member of the Bolton and Rochdale District of the Methodist Church in the UK.

To find out more about our beliefs, history, activities etc. go to the following websites:-

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

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

**[www.boltonmethodist.church](http://www.boltonmethodist.church)**

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

**For further information please go to St John's Methodist Church website:-**

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

**ST JOHN'S GENERAL INFORMATION**

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

**Minister:** Rev Hilary Howarth  
Telephone: 01204 291698

**Lay Pastor** Chris Holmes  
Telephone: 01204 460514

**Sunday morning Service – 10.30am**  
followed by tea/coffee and a chat  
**with planned Special Services as advertised**

**Messy Church -**

Jim Hodgkinson

*Lots of fun for families with a wide range of activities, short interactive worship and then a meal for everyone.*

*Two per term – Thursday 3.30pm – 6.00pm*

*Themed activities after school for children accompanied by their parent(s) or carer(s).*

*More details are on the church website.*

**Stewards:**

Pamela Senior and Diane Le Fevre

**Vestry Stewards:**

Bob Atkinson, Paul Cohen,  
Geoff Danks, Diane Le Fevre, Peter Mumford,  
Margaret Parker

**Church Council Secretary:**

Helen Stuart

**Church Council Treasurer:**

Helen Charlton

**Organist:**

Kathleen Robson

**Church's Together in Horwich representative:**

Christine Hodgkinson

**Pastoral visitors:**

Joan Horner

*Every member of the Church is designated a pastoral visitor who visits/contacts the member at regular intervals and is there to offer support in times of need.*

**Audio Visual Operators:**

Ben Hodgkinson	Mike Parker
Rachael Penketh	Helen Stuart

**Church Leadership Team:**

Diane Le Fevre  
Pam Senior  
Janice Estcourt  
Mike Parker  
Brian Senior  
Helen Stuart

**Development Team:**

Brian Senior (Leader)  
Bob Atkinson  
Judith Baxter  
Gail Danks  
Tabatha Hodgkinson  
Diane Le Fevre  
Pat Norton

**Financial Planning Group:**

Janice Estcourt (Chair)  
Carole Barnes  
John Bolton  
Helen Charlton  
Pat Norton

**Worship Group:**

Brian Senior (Chair)  
Jim Hodgkinson  
Christine Hodgkinson  
Joan Horner  
Diane Le Fevre  
Par Norton  
Christine Penketh  
Rachel Penketh  
Kathleen Robson  
Helen Stuart

**Safeguarding Co-ordinators:**

Carole Barnes  
Laura Murray

**Property Group:**

Ian Charlton  
Geoff Danks  
Peter Fletcher  
Rod Lea  
Peter Mumford

**Data Protection Administrator:**

Tabatha Hodgkinson

**Supporting Groups:**

Door Stewards

Bible Readers

Refreshment providers

Weekly flower providers/arrangers

**Magazine:**

Helen Stuart

**Weekly Notice sheet:**

Tabatha Hodgkinson

Helen Stuart

**Editor What's On – Who's Who:**

Janice Estcourt 01204 669912

**Lending Library**

Sandra Lee

**Room hire bookings:**

John Bolton 01204 468305

Janice Estcourt 01204 669912

**Rooms for hire:**

**Regular Bookings**

Church (by agreement) - £25 for first 2 hours  
and £20 per hour after

Hall £16 ph; Stage £8 ph; Wesley Room -£10 ph

**'One-off' Bookings** by arrangement

**METHODIST MISSION AND SERVICE**

Through the Methodist Church in the UK, St John's supports projects and people in Britain and throughout the World. The Church also supports Christian Aid, Brass and has links with Beechville, the local MHA home. St John's is a member of Churches Together in Horwich and Rivington and through this partnership it supports the Angels at Middlebrook and Horwich. For further information go to:-

[www.methodistchurch.org.uk](http://www.methodistchurch.org.uk)

[www.horwichchurches.co.uk](http://www.horwichchurches.co.uk)

[ww.mha.org.uk](http://ww.mha.org.uk).

**CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES IN WHICH THE CHURCH IS INVOLVED**

**Send a Cow** mission partnership: We are supporting this UK Christian charity in its project to improve the lives of those in the rural area of Kakrao, western Kenya. The community struggles to provide enough food and generate enough income and there is a high incidence of HIV AIDS which makes working the land more difficult. The project will introduce improved farming techniques and support changes in the way the community works together. We hope to provide finance and prayerful support. For more information visit [www.sendacow.org](http://www.sendacow.org).

**Rotary International** Shoe Box Project: each year members of the congregation at St John's fill around 50 shoe boxes which are taken to the International Aid Trust warehouse in Leyland. Box contents include toys for children and household goods for adults. From there they are taken to countries in Eastern Europe, including Romania, Moldova and Ukraine and given to people in need.

For more information visit: [www.rotaryshoobox.org](http://www.rotaryshoobox.org)



**BRASS:** Befriending Refugees and Asylum Seekers. Throughout the year, members of the congregation at St John's donate food to BRASS which is based at The Lodge, Green Lane, Bolton. As well as providing food, guidance and advice on immigration and asylum issues is offered.

For more information visit: [www.brassbolton.org](http://www.brassbolton.org)

**MHA Beechville:** A number of the members of the congregation at St John's act as volunteers in many capacities to help residents of Beechville Care Home. The care home is located on Chorley New Road, Lostock and has been purpose-built in order to achieve high standards of residential and dementia care, having been rebuilt by housing and care provider MHA. All of Beechville's bedrooms are en-suite, though residents also have the use of assisted shower rooms, ideal for mobility issues.

Beechville - 01204 467480

MHA - 01332 296200

**Stamp collection** for Derian House Children's Hospice, Chorley. Members of the congregation collect used stamps which are donated to the charity.

## **SPECIAL AND SOCIAL EVENTS**

St John's offer a variety of special and social events which enhance the life of the Church and in some circumstances help towards raising funds for the Church. These events will be advertised on the Church's website:

[www.horwichmethodist.org.uk](http://www.horwichmethodist.org.uk) and in the weekly newsletter, magazine and on the notice boards in the foyer and various rooms.

**ST JOHN'S CHURCH GROUPS**

<b>GROUP</b>	<b>Day &amp; time</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Contact Details</b>
<p><b>Fellowship Group</b> A drink and chat then prayer for our community followed by conversation around a bible passage.</p>	<p><b>Mon</b> <b>10.45am - 12.30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Jim Hodgkinson</b></p>	<p><b>01204 699618</b> <b>jim.hodgkinson@btinternet.com</b></p>
<p><b>Bowls Club:</b> All are very welcome to Indoor Bowls which takes place from September until around April/May. No experience necessary.</p>	<p><b>Tues</b> <b>7.15pm - 9.00pm</b></p>	<p><b>Eric Wilcockson</b></p>	<p><b>01204 468204</b> <b>eric.wilcockson@ntlworld.com</b></p>
<p><b>Art Club:</b> Informal and friendly group from beginners to more advanced. Advice given on materials and techniques. Any medium welcome.</p>	<p><b>Tues</b> <b>10.00am - 12noon</b></p>	<p><b>Janice Estcourt</b></p>	<p><b>01204 669912</b> <b>janice.estcourt5@gmail.com</b></p>
<p><b>Cup n' Natter</b> Friendly and social get-together for tea/coffee and toast.</p>	<p><b>Wed</b> <b>10.30am - 12 noon</b></p>	<p><b>Gwen Haslam</b> <b>Pat Norton</b></p>	<p><b>01204 468312</b> <b>07581 181862</b></p>

**GROUPS HIRING PREMISES**

<b>GROUP</b>	<b>Day &amp; Time</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Contact details</b>
<p><b>Bennet Choir</b>                      Women's community choir based in Rivington and Horwich. New members welcome. No audition required. Sing a wide range of music. Meet on the second Wed. of month at St John's Methodist Church, Horwich and other Wednesdays at Rivington Church Hall.</p>	<p><b>Second Wed month</b>  <b>8.00pm - 9.00pm</b></p>	<p><b>Lesley Roberts</b></p>	<p><b>01257 264766</b>  <b>lesley.uk</b>  <b>@btopenworld.com</b></p>
<p><b>Bolton Digital Photographic Society—Member of the Lancashire and Cheshire Photographic Union</b>                      Friendly atmosphere for all those interested in photography. All welcome from expert to complete beginners. Meetings include talks, presentations of members work, competitions, practical workshops and local photographic outings.</p>	<p><b>Wed 7.30pm - 10pm</b></p>	<p><b>Joanne Galston</b></p>	<p><b>07792966168</b>  <b>jerseygirljogoly@MSN.com</b></p>
<p><b>Bolton Fly Tiers</b>                      Small group of fly fishermen who tie own flies. One or two fishing trips per year and occasional guest speakers</p>	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues of month</b>  <b>7.30pm - 9.30pm</b></p>	<p><b>John McMenemy</b></p>	<p><b>07563 772812</b>  <b>williamjmcmenemy@yahoo.com</b></p>
<p><b>Creative Writing</b>                      Friendly and informal group of enthusiastic writers, producing poetry and short stories to share with each other for constructive comment.</p>	<p><b>Tues 10.00am - 12.00noon</b></p>	<p><b>Lesley Atherton</b></p>	<p><b>07772 400202</b>  <b>writeyouare@outlook.com</b></p>

GROUP	Day & Time	Contact	Contact details
<p><b>Fit 4 Life</b> Exercise for over 55's</p>	<p>Wed 10.15am - 11.15am Thurs 10.15am - 11.15am</p>	<p>Jenifer Green</p>	<p>01257 276471 jenifermgreen@aol.com</p>
<p><b>Advanced Italian</b> Friendly Italian conversation classes studying language and culture.</p>	<p>Thurs 10.00am - 12 noon</p>	<p>Elspeth Wardrop</p>	<p>01204 668455 07414 903426 elspeth.wardrop@ntlworld.com</p>
<p><b>Kadenza Choir</b> A very friendly group of women of all ages. No experience of singing needed and no auditions required</p>	<p>Mon 7.30pm - 9.30pm</p>	<p>Moira Hill</p>	<p>01204 699673 moira.k.hill@btinternet.com</p>
<p><b>KeepfitwithLYN</b> Tai Chi for Health helps to improve stress, arthritis, back pain, diabetes, osteoporosis, energy, muscle strength &amp; lots of other health benefits using slow controlled movements. Places need to be reserved in advance of Jan, May &amp; Sept. Pay as you go weekly.</p>	<p>Mon 10.30am - 11.30am</p>	<p>Lyn Shiels</p>	<p>07936 527924 keepfitwithlyn@yahoo.co.uk www.keepfitwithlyn.co.uk</p>
<p><b>Needlework Group</b> Small friendly self-help group. Meet September to June.</p>	<p>Wed 1.30pm - 3.30pm</p>	<p>Pat Ashton</p>	<p>01204 694643 pat@ashton.org.uk</p>
<p><b>Patchwork</b> Friendly, enthusiastic group of patchworkers. All levels and all ages.</p>	<p>Thurs 1.30pm - 3.30pm</p>	<p>Debbie Knight</p>	<p>01204 852 593 07776077058 d.knightknight@btinternet.com</p>

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<p><b>Paul's Art group</b> Friendly informal group who treat art for fun.</p>	<p><b>Fri 9.45am - 11.45am</b></p>	<p><b>Nigel Farnworth</b></p>	<p><b>01204 694965 nigelbiker@icloud.com</b></p>
<p><b>Slimming World</b> Warm and friendly atmosphere. The kettle is always on. Come and start on a fantastic journey and shed those pounds.</p>	<p><b>Sat 9.00am - 10.15am 11.00am - 12.15pm</b></p>	<p><b>Clair Thornton</b></p>	<p><b>07545003606 01942 861884 clairthornton@aol.com</b></p>
<p><b>Spanish Conversation</b> Spanish intermediate and advanced conversation. Friendly and informal group. Any age welcome. Chat in Spanish and learn the culture</p>	<p><b>Mon 10.00am - 12 noon</b></p>	<p><b>Sandra Kolot</b></p>	<p><b>01204 696692 Alexandra.kolot@btinternet.com</b></p>
<p><b>Yogaflow with Karen</b> Hatha yoga class for all. With gentle flowing sequences, relaxation and mediation. Beginners welcome</p>	<p><b>Mon 7.30pm - 8.30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Karen Hall</b></p>	<p><b>07759 211328 karenleona76@gmail.com</b></p>
<p><b>Zumba</b> Fun way to keep fit for all ages</p>	<p><b>Mon 6.15pm - 7.00pm</b></p>	<p><b>Carol Unsworth</b></p>	<p><b>07979528338 carolelaineyates@yahoo.co.uk</b></p>

**WHAT'S ON**

	<b>Morn</b>	<b>Aft</b>	<b>Eve</b>
<b>MONDAY</b>			
Spanish Conversation	10.00-12noon		
Keep fit with LYN TAI CHI	10.30-11.30		
Fellowship	10.45-12.30		
Zumba			6.15-7.00
Yogoflow with Karen			7.30-8.30
Kadenza Choir			7.30-9.30
<b>TUESDAY</b>			
Art Club	10.00-12noon		
Creative Writing	10.00-12noon		
Bowls Club			7.15-9.00
Bolton Fly Tiers (1st&3rd)			7.30-9.30
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>			
Cup 'n Natter	10.30-12noon		
Fit4Life	10.15-11.15		
Needlework		1.30-3.30	
Bolton Digital Photographic Soc			7.30-10.00
Bennett's Choir (2nd)			8.00-9.00

# WEEKLY DIARY

	<b>Morn</b>	<b>Aft</b>	<b>Eve</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>			
Advanced Italian	10.00-12noon		
Fit4Life	10.15-11.15		
Patchwork		1.30-3.30	
Messy Church (varies)		3.30-5.30	
<b>FRIDAY</b>			
Paul's Art Group	9.45-11.45		
<b>SATURDAY</b>			
Slimming World	9.00-10.15		
	11.00-12.15		
<b>SUNDAY</b>			
Morning Worship	10.30-11.30		
followed by coffee	- 12.30		

**Come and worship with us  
10:30am each Sunday**



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