

What's Next?

Over the Advent and Christmas period, we will be practising the Holy Habits of 'Gladness and Generosity'.

What is Holy Habits?

Mossley Methodist Church is embarking on the Holy Habits programme, starting at Pentecost 2018.

This will be a two year opportunity to deepen our discipleship by forming and/or developing habits that will help to bring us as individuals, and as a church community, closer to God.

These ten particular habits are inspired by the description of the early Church in Acts 2:42-47.

All ten of the habits are interrelated and each one of them will take us on an adventure as we seek to intentionally deepen our faith and serve God in our daily lives. Although we will be exploring them one at a time, we will always be building on previous learning and discovering ways in which they overlap.

Holy Habits are for everyone – young and old - at whatever stage of the Christian journey we currently find ourselves. Like the original disciples we are called to devote ourselves to these practices – this is not a quick fix - but it is something that we can integrate into our existing activities.

Holy Habits was developed by Rev Andrew Roberts, a Methodist Minister and specialist in Discipleship within the Methodist Church's Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network.

For more information

On Holy Habits, or any of the activities coming up, please contact

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Holy Habits

Eating Together

Dear Friends,

During the next two months we will be exploring the Holy Habit of 'Eating Together'. We hope to experience ways in which we are changed and challenged by sharing food with one another.

The inspiration for this Holy Habits is Acts 2:46-47 - 'They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God.'

This newsletter invites you to share in developing this habit. Take a look at the different activities taking place and invite others to come along with you.

Yours in Christ's service, Julie

'Taste and See'

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

Take a grape or piece of chocolate

As you enjoy the taste, give thanks to God for all that is good in your life and know that God is good.



Most of our service will be based around the stories of meals in Luke's Gospel

Sunday 2 nd September – Julie Coates	Luke 15:11:32
Sunday 9 th September – David Pollitt	Luke 5:27-32
Sunday 16 th September – Brian James	Luke 7: 36-50
Sunday 23 rd September – Julie Coates	All We Can Harvest Material
Sunday 30 th September - Own Arrangement	Love Feast in Café Church Style
Sunday 7 th October – Julie Coates	Luke 14: 1-24 (Communion in the round)
Sunday 14 th October – Messy Church	Luke 9:7-20 (Feeding of 5,000)
Sunday 21 st October – Mission Sunday	Speaker from All We Can
Sunday 28 th October – Own Arrangement	John 21 – Breakfast on the Beach

In whatever books or magazines you are reading at the moment take a look at the role of food and the function of eating together.

Here are some children's books about food to explore:

‘Charlie and the Chocolate Factory’ by Roald Dahl

Daisy: ‘Eat your peas’ by Kes Gray and Nick Sharratt

‘Hillytown Biscuit Church’ by Ruth Whiter

Some adult fiction:

‘Purple Hibiscus’ by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie

Biography: ‘The Settlers Cookbook’ by Yasmin Alibhai-Brown

And some books of reflection/Bible Study

‘Cross Purposes’ by Eddie Askew

‘A Meal with Jesus’ by Tim Chester

Look out for interviews with some of those involved food-based projects here
at Mossley Methodist Church

Upcoming Events

Lake Galilee Virtual Tour

Wednesday 26th September—6pm

A virtual tour of Lake Galilee by
Roger With a Buffet Supper

Sign up at Church or contact **Julie**

Film Night—Babette's Feast

Friday 5th October — 5.30pm

‘A French chef takes refuge from the Revolution on a remote island among people of a strict Protestant sect.

We will have a meal at 5.30 followed by the film at 6.15.

Sign up at Church or contact **Julie**

Recipe Sharing Night

Saturday 20th October

Everyone is invited to bring a dish (exotic or ordinary) and to share the recipe.

The recipes will then be collected together to for our own cook book along with mealtime Grace prayers.

More details to follow

Somewhere Else— The Bread Church

We are looking to put together a trip to **Somewhere Else**—the Bread Church in Liverpool. You can find out more at www.somewhere-else/org.uk

If you are interested in visiting, please see Bob or Janet

Come Dine With Me—7th October

We are going to do Mossley's version of ‘Come Dine With Me’. Our focus will be on sharing a simple Sunday lunch with others, no showing off involved!

How will it work? If you enjoy preparing food for others then you could be a Host. Hosts will take one or two members of our congregation home with them and share a simple meal with them.

If you often dine alone and would enjoy the opportunity to share a meal with others then you could be a Guest. You would go home from church with one of the Hosts and enjoy sharing the meal they prepare for you.

Look out for the opportunity to sign up coming soon.