



## Notices for Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021

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### Sunday Worship

6:00pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Rev Sue Baker-Maher – Café-style  
10:30am 10<sup>th</sup> Oct – Rev Sue Baker-Maher – Holy Communion  
10:30am 17<sup>th</sup> Oct – Local Arrangement  
10:30am 24<sup>th</sup> Oct – David Ward

All services are also accessible via  
Zoom for any who are unable to  
attend in person.

Zoom link: <https://zoom.us/j/172859764>  
Meeting ID: 172 859 764  
Dial-in number: 0203 481 5240

All are invited to join us for worship at either 10:30am or 6:00pm each Sunday. For the moment, any adults attending are requested to use face coverings and no refreshments will be served after the services. If you are unable to attend for any reason, please remember that you can participate via Zoom.

**Next Church Council Meeting.** Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October, at 7:30pm in the church.

**Imagine.** You are invited to imagine what the future might hold for the life and mission of Sawtry Methodist Church, and how our building can best meet the challenges of the coming years. The session will be led by Leonore Charlton and will take place on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October**, arriving at 1.45pm for a 2pm start and finishing around 4.30pm. More details to be confirmed.

**Volunteers Needed.** Starting in mid-October, we plan to reintroduce after-service refreshments, which has always formed an important part of our fellowship. To make this a reality, we will need a small team of volunteers to prepare and serve drinks, ideally on a rota so that you will only need to be on duty once every few weeks. Please speak to a member of the leadership team if you are willing and able to help out.

**Harvest Offering.** A big thank you to everyone who contributed to our Harvest collection for Sawtry Foodbank in either money or food. These have now been passed onto the Foodbank team and will be put to good use supporting local people in financial crisis. Please continue to hold the team in your prayers as they plan for a very busy Winter, knowing the many challenges that are going to be facing families on low incomes. Contributions throughout the year are very welcome, any food items can be placed in the collection basket in the church and monetary donations can be given to Liz or directly to CARESCO – please put them into a sealed envelope clearly marked "Sawtry Foodbank". For more information, visit the Foodbank's page on [www.caresco.org.uk](http://www.caresco.org.uk).

## This Week's Bible Readings

Job 1:1,2:1-10

Psalm 26

Hebrews 1:1-4;2:5-12

Mark 10:2-16

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](mailto:notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk)

**Boardgames Café?** On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 7:15 for 7:30pm, a few like-minded souls will be gathering in the church for a relaxed evening of boardgames. We'll start off with some easy-to-learn cooperative games and there will be a 'games master' on hand to guide you through any that are new to you. Please let Debbie know if you plan to come along, so that we can have enough tables prepared.

**Lectio Divina Style Meditation.** Continues every Friday, 7:30-8:15pm. Led by Rev Sue Baker-Maher. Please see the Circuit newsletter for the Zoom link.

### **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
- Refugees and all those in danger of persecution in Afghanistan
- Our friends in the **Eaton Ford** congregation
- **Sawtry Infant School**
- **Vicky** (a friend of Debbie's)
- **Stephanie** (a friend of Alexis)
- **Roz Rowland**
- **Thelma Baker**
- **Louise** (Su's niece) and her mother, **Nicola**
- **Brian Rodger**
- **Ted and Pam Pepper** (All Saints)
- **Pete and Pat Ayres** (All Saints)
- **Joan & Ian Meiklejohn** (Glatton)
- **Brenda Griffiths**
- **Alicia Nicholls**
- **Donna and Jake Johnson**
- **Eleanor and Gary Kernaghan**
- **James and Clare** (Tess's niece and son-in-law)
- **Hannah** (Jo's niece)

If you have any items for prayer, please call 01487 830345 or send them to [notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk](mailto:notices@sawtrymethodist.org.uk)

### **Quote of the Week**

*"My fear is not that our great movement, known as the Methodists, will eventually cease to exist or one day die from the earth. My fear is that our people will become content to live without the fire, the power, the excitement, the supernatural element that makes us great."*

John Wesley (1703-1791)