

Contact

APRIL 2025



Dear Friends,

Spring is a hopeful season! It brings transformation and change; from darkness to light, from cold to warmth, from grey to bursts of colour. It is a time for cleaning the house, new growth in gardens, and baby animals. The new life, new beginnings, and bright, colourful new look that spring brings are hopeful signs that life on this earth renews again and again. We don't remain in any one season or cycle in life indefinitely. Seasons change and every year the seasons reveal God's continuing goodness towards us.

Spring is the time of year when God's blessings are shown in glorious splendour. Spring is when God's mercy brings to an end the bleakness of winter and offers, instead, new life and new beginnings. Spring is when God's love for us shines at its brightest.

Whilst many religions celebrate the coming of spring, Christians celebrate one of the most important festivals of the year, Easter.

Easter is always celebrated during nature's season of spring and like the season of spring, Easter is a reminder of new life and new beginnings. It reminds us that Jesus' death was not the end for him. He was brought back to life: to live new life and give new life to every person who responds to him. In John 10:10, Jesus says 'I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.'

God reminds us each spring, each Easter, each season and each day of what he has done and what he will do. He shows us, calling us to follow, to believe and to have the new life which is promised to those who love him.

Our own new beginning here at Springhead starts this month, as Lisa and her family will shortly be making their way down to Oldham and settling into their new home ahead of her first service with us on 11th May. I'm sure we're all looking forward to welcoming Lisa to be our new minister and giving her any support she may need during this time.

No matter how or why you celebrate Easter, it will always remain in the spirit of new birth and new life, as it has been celebrated for thousands of years. Easter and Christ's risen life are a sign of eternal hope and a celebration of faith and love.

Have a happy and blessed Easter! - Liz

EASTER AFTERNOON TEA

Please join us for an Easter Afternoon Tea following the service on Sunday 6th April.

A selection of sandwiches, scones and homemade cakes will be available for a small donation.

There will also be a raffle with the chance to win some Easter goodies!



EASTER SERVICES 2025

Palm Sunday – 13th April

Café Church at Springhead followed by quarterly church meeting

Maundy Thursday – 17th April

Oldham and District United Service at Greenacres Congregational Church at 7pm led by Liz Dean

Good Friday – 18th April

Churches Together in Lees and District Act of Witness in Lees at 12.30pm

Easter Sunday – 20th April

Family service at Springhead at 10.30am led by Frank Wroe including communion

DIARY – April 2025

Friday 4th April	7pm – 9pm	Junior Disco
Sunday 6th April	10.30am	Family service led by Liz Dean Easter Afternoon Tea
Monday 7th April	7pm	Deacons Meeting
Wednesday 9th April	12 noon	Scoffs
Sunday 13th April	10.30am	Palm Sunday Café Church Quarterly Church Meeting
Thursday 17th April	7pm	Maundy Thursday service at Greenacres led by Liz Dean
Friday 18th April	12.30pm	Good Friday Act of Witness in Lees
Sunday 20th April	10.30am	Easter Sunday service led by Frank Wroe
Sunday 27th April	10.30am	Family service led by Mary Jones Cake Sale

Regular Activities

Sunday

Toddler Sundays 10am – 11.30am

Monday

Exercise Group 2pm

Wednesday

Scoffs 12 noon (2nd Wednesday)

Thursday

Rainbows Toddler Group 9.30am

Friday

Badminton 6pm

Offertories

2nd March - £95.86

9th March - £81.80

16th March - £92.63

23rd March - £62.70

30th March – No service

Standing orders - £799.00

Total £1,131.99

Other Income

Fashion Show - £776.00

Tea/Coffee - £1.30

Cake Sale - £68.30

Toddlers Donation - £100.00



LENT LUNCHES

The final Lent lunch of 2025 will be held on Wednesday, April 9th at Zion Methodist Church at 12.30pm. The session will be followed by coffee and cake.

Please join us if you can!

NEW TO YOU

Any New to You can now be brought up to church and left on the stage.

The New to You will take place on Thursday 15th May followed by the jumble on Friday 16th May.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATES – WE NEED AS MANY VOLUNTEERS AS POSSIBLE TO HELP OUT!

FASHION SHOW

A huge thank you to everyone who helped out and supported our joint fashion show with In My Shoes Theatre Group.

We raised the fantastic total of £776.00 to be shared between church funds and the theatre group

Flower Rota

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6th April - Justine

13th April - TBC

20th April - Cath

27th April - Beryl

JUNIOR DISCO

Friday 4th April

7pm – 9pm

Any additional volunteers would be very welcome.

CAFÉ CHURCH

Please join us on Palm Sunday, April 13th, for an informal and relaxed café style service which will include light refreshments.

The café church service will be held at the usual time of 10.30am and we will meet in the church hall.

Everyone is very welcome and we look forward to seeing you there.

CHURCH MEETING

The next quarterly church meeting is after the café church service on

Sunday 13th April

Everyone is welcome to stay and attend the meeting.

CAKE SALE

The next cake sale is following the service on *Sunday 27th April*.

Any donations of cake would be gratefully received.

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Please get in touch as soon as possible if any of your details have changed!

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