

NETWORK

St James Church Clitheroe

PREPARE THE WAY

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2025

CONNECTING - CHANGING - TRANSFORMING

CHRISTMAS AT ST JAMES'

Christmas Minus One

4pm, Sunday 6th December

A quiet, reflective service for those who are grieving

Christmas Popcorn

3.30pm Friday 12th December

Stories, crafts and games for families

Little Fishes Nativity Celebration

10.30am Monday 15th December

Youth Performance

Doors open 6pm, Friday 19th December

Carol Service

7pm Sunday 21st December

A creative, joyful carol service

Christingle Services

3pm and 4.30pm, Christmas Eve

2 short family services - please come to either!

Midnight Communion

11.30pm, Christmas Eve

A traditional service

Christmas All Age Worship Celebration

10.30am, Christmas Day

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Welcoming the King

At Christmas, much of the focus in our traditions is on the baby Jesus, lying in a manger, surrounded by his family, shepherds, wise men and animals. Few would have realized then—and many don't now—that earth was welcoming both the Son of Man and the King of Heaven.

It's been so great in Sam's opening sermon series as Rector to focus on Jesus. Jesus who was at the centre of creation. Jesus who came to earth and taught and modelled his Kingdom. Jesus who brought healing and wholeness. Jesus who conquered death.

In the final sermon in the series, Sam brought us to the door in Revelation 4 that is the entrance to the kingdom of heaven. And he summarized two callings for us all:

The first calling:

- Step in with humility
- Repent, amazed at his forgiveness
- Join in singing his praise with all creation and all of heaven.

The second calling:

- Pull his Kingdom into reality here and now, show it can be grasped in this world
- Show it is relevant for the poor, the captive and the blind
- Proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.

I think those challenges will give us plenty to focus on in 2026!

From the register

Baptism: Emma Parkington

Dedication: Ivy McAfee

Connecting

Be patient, therefore, for the coming of the Lord.



I recently read that if a website doesn't open in 4 seconds the average user presumes there is a problem and either refreshes it or simply gives up. 4 seconds doesn't sound like a long time to wait, but it seems that is our limit! Apparently this is a symptom of an increasingly impatient world which seeks instant gratification and immediate results and simply isn't willing to wait for change or for new things.

We hear the phrase 'patience is a virtue' fairly often and might even pray for patience in a traffic jam or supermarket checkout queue, but patience, in its deepest sense, is more than just waiting around and killing time. It is an act of radical trust because to be patient in a Christian sense is to believe that God is at work, even when we cannot see evidence of it. The Psalmist declares, "I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in His Word I hope" (Psalm 130:5). This is not a passive resignation, but a hopeful watching. Patience stretches our faith out over time so that it might find room to grow.

During Advent more than any time we are specifically invited to cultivate this posture of patience as Christians have historically set aside this time to prepare for two 'comings': the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem and the promised return of Christ at the end of time. Both require us to wait, both call for patience.

The discipline of patience through Advent teaches us to slow down, to resist the urge to hurry through the season and most importantly to always be attentive to both what God might be doing around us and

to what He might be about to do.

It is no mistake that the waiting of Advent ends with Christmas morning - consider the characters of the Nativity. Mary, a young woman with her life suddenly disrupted, waits in trust through uncertainty and risk. Joseph faces confusion and fear yet waits for God's guidance which comes in his dreams. Simeon and Anna, elderly figures in the temple, wait decades for the fulfilment of God's promise and are rewarded with a glimpse of the Messiah. These are not examples of passive waiting but of a patience which is active; a readiness to receive, an openness to God's timing as being more important to their own.

This patient waiting shapes their character and it deepens their faith. Patience also allows them to actively prepare themselves for God's arrival where others might only busy themselves in other things. The problem is, in 2025 as much as any time, asking people to slow down, have patience and wait upon the Lord just before Christmas seems like a big ask. There are presents to buy and wrap, services to attend, school shows to prepare for; and that's before even thinking about the food!

This year Advent starts in November, Sunday the 30th to be specific. At St James' over the next 7 weeks we will be looking at some of the Old Testament prophecies which speak about the coming Messiah – and if you think 30 days is too long to wait then imagine having to wait hundreds of years for Jesus to come! That is what those who first heard these prophetic words spoken had before them.

This Advent, with its gentle rhythms and holy pauses, as well as preparing for the family coming, for the school show, for the turkey lunch etc. how will we prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus? And what might we do to be active in our waiting so that our faith might grow?

Finding time to stop and spend time with God in the busyness is a definite opportunity to do this, understanding what the prophecies about Jesus mean together as a church will be good too! But prayer is a great place to start so why don't we pray the following prayer together through November and December and ask God to do that work in us so that we might be well placed to receive His Son this Christmas.

*Gracious and loving God,
as we come to the season of Advent,
we find ourselves waiting once more:
For Your light to break into the darkness,
for hope to be born among us,
for Your Son, our Saviour, to come again.*

*Give us patience, O Lord –
Not the patience which simply waits and endures,
but the patience which watches with hope,
that listens with love,
that prepares with joy.*

*Come, Lord Jesus,
teach us to wait well.
Amen*

Connecting

Love, friendship and church socials



By the time this Network article is published, we'll all have forgotten about our Ceilidh in early October. But at the moment, it's fresh in my memory.

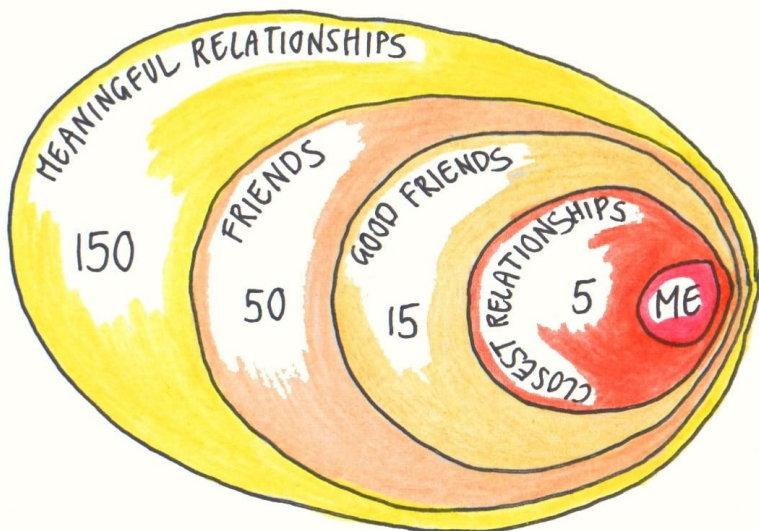
If you weren't there, you won't be able to appreciate the incredible dancing talents shown by some of us – and some of us who tended to always turn in the wrong direction, mis-time the claps and move at the wrong moment! The band and caller were so impressed that from the moment they started playing, we started dancing – and didn't stop until they stopped, except for the buffet! Everyone, from 2 to 82 years old, had a brilliant time.

When you've been part of a church community for a long time, you can forget how special they are. On that Saturday night, no one who wanted to dance went without a dance partner. We shuffled around, made space, had 7 couples in a set instead of 6, laughed at ourselves when we made mistakes and simply had fun.

On Sunday 12 October, we looked at John 15, where Jesus says, *"I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you. This is my command: Love each other."*

As I was preparing for hosting this service, I thought about challenges of friendship within our society. Professor Robin Dunbar, in an introduction to an exhibition on happiness has stated that, *"Friendship is the single most important thing affecting our psychological health and wellbeing, as well as our physical health and wellbeing."* Dunbar formulated 'Dunbar's number,' calculating the number of relationships that a human being can comfortably maintain.

The illustration below develops this for the average human, but we can see this reflected pretty accurately within church, and within the Bible. Jesus himself had 12 disciples, who would come under the 'Good friends' category, and 3 'Closest Relationships' in Peter, James and John. Once congregations go over 150 people (including children), the quality of relationships suffer. A small group should be no fewer than 5, but no more than 15, or the relationships suffer.



Friendships take time, space and effort. I was once part of a small group which had been together for about 6 months when one person opened up and shared that she had been struggling with depression.

A couple of days later, I rang her and chatted to her. A couple of days after that, we sat together in church. We became really good friends, and, with medication and talking therapy, eventually she maintained good mental health. She later told me that, despite opening up at small group, no one else had got in contact with her. But that friendship with her was one of the most fulfilling of my 20s, and it only happened because I made the effort to ring her.

Many of you will be looking at the numbers of new people coming in to church each week and perhaps feeling a bit overwhelmed – how can we get to know all these people? Well, we don't have to get to know them all, but everyone who is looking for friendship should be able to potentially find friends in church. That's why social events, things like the Ceilidh, Welcome meals and small groups are so important. It's why we've started our Newcomers group, and that is bringing so much joy.

We need to make sure we have space in our lives, our groups, and perhaps at our tables too. As we approach Advent and Christmas, why not be thinking about developing friendships in your life?

One thing I plan to do is to write a card to someone each day. It might be a Christmas card, a thank you card, or something else, but this will be a stretch for me. I'm learning from my mother-in-law, who is amazing at writing and sending cards. Perhaps give an old friend a call or write Christmas cards to people you have lost touch with. Perhaps talk to your small group about how best to create space or think about starting a small group of your own (please liaise with Ruth Haldane, our small groups coordinator). Perhaps invite a couple of people to a meal. Let's think about how we can show love to each other this season in the way that we have been commanded in John 15: Love each other.

Naomi Lynas, Operations Manager

An exciting season of growth



Kingdom Kids and Tiddlers

It is amazing to welcome so many new families to church in the last month. There are at least eight new families that have come to church for the first time since the end of the summer holidays.

Most of these families have been more than once. One family has been to the newcomer's meal, another of these families came to a Welcome Meal. The children in these families are starting to make friends, as our children come alongside them and befriend them. Additionally, it feels that there are more families asking about church and saying how they want to reconnect with church or start coming to church. It feels like I'm getting a taste of 'immeasurably more' and I really love it! It seems so important to pray into this stirring in our community to come back to church and hear about Jesus.



On Sunday November 2nd we are having a 'Welcome to Kingdom Kids' party in both sessions, with songs, games, snacks and prayer to help the children get to know each other. Welcoming the new families is a wonderful joy and means that we are now getting more than 30 children every week in Kingdom Kids and Tiddlers. The two sessions

on a Sunday have a different dynamic with a greater age range in both groups.

Our Year 5 and 6 children have pinched the sofas in the Garden Room for their session in the 11.15am service. Now they are older, they need comfy chairs! Having the Garden Room as their space means they can support and pray for each other, they can ask loads of tricky questions and as leaders we can really support them as they start to see what faith means to them and as they grow as disciples.



At **Forest Church** in September there were 12 new families, all from reception class at St James' School, responding to a personal invite from another parent. What an amazing encouragement and what an encouragement to the rest of us to invite others along to services and groups!

Introducing Waymakers

The Rockin' leaders have been planning, praying and reviewing Rockin' and reshaping this Tuesday night outreach group. To give the session a brand-new feel we have renamed the club, Waymakers, a club where we follow The Waymaker, who helps us find a way through life. As a core team of leaders, we have considered where we were with Rockin' and what needed to change. This has meant looking at safeguarding and safety, looking at our aims and visions and considering our approaches to children with a variety of needs.

Little Fishes has continued to thrive. As always, the amazing team of helpers help build up strong relationships with the families and relationships are the core of this group for babies, toddlers and their families. We are having more and more discussions about coming to church and reconnecting with church. It is easier to have conversations and to invite people along to other groups and services when we have built up friendship and trust. It is always great to pray for these families when they share challenges they are facing. At the moment we have a struggling family with a court case they are facing and one of our regular granddads is seriously ill, in hospital.



Popcorn, our monthly family outreach gathering, has attracted new children from reception class as well as welcoming back old friends. We are following a theme of 'Whispers of Jesus' as we head to Christmas. We have been looking for clues pointing to Jesus in the Old Testament stories of Moses and David; next month it's Isaiah. Wanda the detective comes along to seek our help in looking for clues and then we hear a story from the Storybook Bible. We have used UV pens to decode Bible verses, we've had physical challenges, science experiments and tasty activities too. It has been lovely to see families sitting together for the Bible story, and to see parents talking through each activity with their children. One of our core aims at Popcorn is to see families talking about God together.

One of the greatest blessings has been the reflection at the end that just helps families to respond to the story and take home a truth about God. The families have gathered around the altar and responded together, making for a really special time of connecting with God.

St James' Primary School

It's always a pleasure to go into school. Sam Cheesman has started to go into school to take assemblies once a month, which is brilliant. Due to the building work in the KS1 playground, assemblies have been for the whole school and not just for a key stage; this has been such a joy, sharing Bible stories and glorious Bible truths with all the children together.

Bible Diggers has been full again and the children have loved the Old Testament stories that Claire and our church team have shared with them. There have been some silly games to back up the stories and plenty of biscuits! I love how Bible Diggers is the most popular club at school and one of the only over subscribed clubs! Yes! A big thank you to Sarah and Becky for leading some weeks, so that I could have time off to fit with my part time hours.

I have started '**Hanging out with Helen**' at lunch times again and I am loving my ¾ hour of skipping with the children. Loads of chats can be had whilst turning a skipping rope. Lots of kind and encouraging words can be given whilst turning a skipping rope. And I get some lovely fresh air!

Taking an RE lesson is always a pleasure and I was invited into Year 5 to share why I love reading the Bible. I spent an hour with Alder class sharing how the Bible was like a lamp, treasure, honey and a mighty sword, before answering lots of awkward but brilliant questions. I took lots of different Bibles in with me that children all got to pass around and read to see which they liked best. This time our favourite

Bible was the 'Hey Ho' Bible, a new version based on the Saddleback Bible story cartoons that they love to watch in assembly.

Helen Potts

Children and Families Minister



St James' Church, Clitheroe

Prayer Calendar: Nov-Dec 2025

1	2	3	4
Give thanks for the Year of Prayer at St James' and across the Diocese of Blackburn. Spend time seeking God for our next steps in our church prayer life.	Give thanks for new people coming in to church. Pray for their ongoing relationships and discipleship.	Give thanks for the staff and leadership of St James' School . Pray for a school culture that is rooted in Jesus.	Give thanks for the courage of the Rockin team to relaunch Rockin as Waymakers . Pray for great volunteers to join the team and grow this ministry.

5	6	7	8
Give thanks for the number of people who have become debt free through the work of CAP Clitheroe . Pray for an increase in new clients coming forwards for help.	Give thanks for the Bereavement Journey course and those who are leading that. Pray for the Christmas Minus One service on 6th December.	Give thanks for the young people who are increasingly turning to Jesus for the meaning of life. Pray for our young people in their schools.	Give thanks for our Small Group Leaders . Pray for new leaders to come forwards and for new groups to be formed.

9	10	11	12
Give thanks for our ongoing partnership with Kings Highway Church . Pray for Kings Highway's work with the most vulnerable in Kenyan society, particularly widows.	Spend time listening to what God is saying about St James'. Why not share this with yearofprayer@stjamesclitheroe.co.uk	Give thanks for the current ceasefire between Israel and Hamas. Pray for a peace agreement, and pray for aid agencies working in the region.	Give thanks for the work of Ribble Valley Gateway Trust. Pray particularly for the work of Foodbank , for the trustees, staff and volunteers as well as the clients.

13	14	15	16
Give thanks for the work and ministry of Allison Lord and Anna Chaplaincy . Pray for ongoing development of this ministry.	Give thanks for the many children and families who will come into church over the Christmas period. Pray they will encounter something of God's peace and seek to find out more.	Give thanks for the work of Love Clitheroe. Pray for Carols at the Castle , an event where 2000+ people will hear the good news of Jesus at Christmas.	Give thanks for the work of Charis Africa in Mozambique and Ethiopia. Pray for Mel and Mandy as they seek to discern how best to serve the people there.

17	18	19	20
Spend time listening to what God is saying about St James'. Why not share this with yearofprayer@stjamesclitheroe.co.uk	Give thanks for the opportunity to employ a Children's Worker to support Helen's ministry. Pray for a great appointment and good development of the work.	Give thanks for the PCC. Pray particularly for their leadership and governance into the new year, particularly around finances and budget.	Give thanks for families coming to Popcorn, a monthly church event for families. Pray for good relationships, and a deepening of faith.

21	22	23	24
Give thanks for Clitheroe Christians in Partnership. Pray that Sam will form good relationships with local leaders.	Give thanks for the work of Turret House of Prayer. Pray for good relationships particularly with schools across the town.	Give thanks for the range of Christmas events that are happening this year at St James'. Spend some time praying for the Carol Service, Christingle and Midnight Communion services.	Give thanks for our Worship Team. Pray for the development and growth of this ministry.

25	26	27	28
Give thanks for Jesus! Spend some time today simply thanking God for the amazing gift of his Son.	Spend time listening to what God is saying about St James'. Why not share this with yearofprayer@stjamesclitheroe.co.uk	Give thanks for God's faithfulness to us as a church throughout 2025. Spend some time thinking about your highlights of faith this year.	Give thanks to God for your own development in faith this year. Spend some time thinking about what God may be calling you to in 2026.

29	30	31	Add further issues
Thank God for his provision in church leadership for St James. Give thanks for a good start to retirement for Mark Pickett; give thanks for a good start for Sam Cheesman.	Spend some time thinking about what you might want to leave behind in 2025. What is God calling you to lay down? What is God calling us as a church to lay down?	Give thanks for the Year of Prayer at St James' and across the Diocese of Blackburn. Spend time seeking God for our next steps in our church prayer life.	



Satellites Youth Camp 2025!



Satellites 2025 was an absolutely amazing few days away with the youth. We took 43 young people to the festival and we had a team of 12 adults. This was our 4th year attending the youth camp and we had once again a fantastic time.

For those who don't know what Satellites is – Satellites is a 5 day youth camp where young people come with their youth groups to have loads of fun and spend time deepening their relationship with Jesus. Each day there is a morning and evening meeting with worship, teaching and prayer ministry time. Outside of the two meetings there are workshops, seminars, sports, art, games, activities, extra worship sessions and lots of opportunities to build great friendships. The youth always have a fantastic time and it was great once again to see



them all spending time in worship together, praying for each other and helping each other understand and apply what they heard during the teaching time.

Our group was made up of young people who we see at our Wednesday evening youth congregation and/or Sunday morning as well as young people who attend our Friday evening youth club. We saw young people take their first step to saying yes to Jesus, we saw young people who have been a Christian for a short time take bigger steps and those who have been following Jesus for a while choose to recommit their lives and make commitments to take the Gospel out in to the world around them.

The team were absolutely amazing. They worked incredible long hours, battled with cooking equipment, the weather and a plethora of challenges.



They didn't stop being caring, encouraging and such amazing Jesus role models for the young people. There were lots of late-night conversations about life, faith and Jesus. We celebrated 4 birthdays and there was plenty of cheering each other on in the football tournament.

We want to thank everyone who supported the youth and the team to go to Satellites. Whether you gave financially, packed a bag of snacks, baked up absolutely delicious cake or spent time in prayer. Every way that the group were supported made such a huge difference and meant that the time away was able to make a big impact on the lives of the young people who came. We are already planning Satellites 2026 and looking forward to making more memories and seeing young people grow closer to Jesus.







Transforming

Christians Against Poverty @ St James' is 14!



Debt Free: 45
People helped: 315+

St James' Church has now worked in partnership with CAP for 14 years. Through faithful giving of time, money and prayer, the community of St James' as well as other churches and organisations continue to make the ministry of CAP possible, a ministry which supports people to become debt free and become more in control of finances.

Matt, the centre manager, is paid for a part time role to oversee and deliver the services that the centre provides. Many volunteers commit to visiting clients with Matt, deliver Money Coaching courses, host drop-in services and pray.

We are seeing many people become debt free which we will continue to celebrate and to proclaim the goodness of God that always does immeasurably more than we ask or imagine.

Christians Against Poverty – Our Responsibility

At CAP our areas of responsibility include *serving, celebrating and proclaiming*. We are in a unique position that enables us to respond to the needs of those in our community through service. Practically this looks like helping people become debt free and offering Money Coaching courses. Psalm 2:11 says:

“Serve the Lord with fear and celebrate his rule with trembling.”

When we serve others, we draw near to the purposes that the Lord has for us and this world. Within that there is so much to celebrate and give thanks for with humility. Celebrating the goodness of God when people become debt free, as well as celebrating and encouraging people when strength is found in smaller things, are some of the ways we find ourselves responding to peoples' situations, and how the Lord is at work in all things for good.

Psalms 115:1 reminds us of this:

“Not to us, Lord, not to us, but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.”

Another opportunity and responsibility we have is to proclaim and share the truth of who Jesus is and why this is for everyone. Being wise and graceful in this proclamation is always an exciting challenge which this passage from Colossians 4:3-6 touches on:

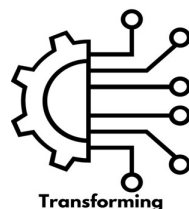
“And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.”

Coming up:

Money Coaching for all

The next Money Coaching Course is taking place on **Saturday 15th November** from 09:30 to 15:30 at St James' Church. This is a great opportunity to create a budget and explore ways to make money go further. Everyone can benefit from this free session.

For more information, please see the website: <https://capuk.org/get-help/money-coaching> or contact Matt: matthewwood@capuk.org



Whose side are you on?

We are being pushed to take sides, fly Union Jacks, St George's flag, Palestinian flags and more. We are being asked to think in a binary way - black and white.

Naomi and I recently attended Diocesan Synod, where Bishop Philip gave an address entitled 'Whose side are you on'. I found it really helpful. Here is an extract from what he said:

"If we don't take sides it can make us seem weak. However, we as Christians are asked to pray for everyone, that God would intervene. We can bring reconciliation in this binary world by listening to all sides, and helping people to understand each other.

We are on the Lord's side, and as such we condemn hatred and violence. If we cannot make a stand for the dignity of all, then we have nothing to say. People are looking for answers and if we do not take a stand then others will. We need greater courage and entrepreneurship in proclaiming the gospel.

The signs of the times are clear - the Church must be ready to teach, welcome and proclaim the gospel. We need to be all for Jesus and spread the joy of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

We don't need to make simplistic choices, we have another way, the Lord's way, and we are His followers."

Something to think about!

Ruth Haldane



Running on a prayer and hope

Three runners are taking part in the Liverpool Half Marathon event on Saturday 15th November to raise funds for **The Shop of Hope**, our local Fairtrade shop in Clitheroe. Wendy Higson is running 5k, Ron Higson the 10k and Sam, a friend of ours, is doing the half-marathon. Sam has an amazing testimony, which is shared below. Please sponsor one of our runners! Every donation over £10 gets a chance to win one of the fabulous prizes which have also been donated. Please see me, Julie Young, for more details. Sponsor forms will be at the back of church.

“Just over two years ago, I was told to hang up my running shoes. After major back surgery, the advice was clear: find another way to stay fit. For someone who’d been a recreational runner for over 35 years, who had run full marathons before pregnancy and returned to running after a C-section and multiple injuries; that news was more than a setback. It was devastating.

Recovery was slow but determined. Eight weeks post-op, I was walking my dog again. Then came pool walking, then swimming. I was grateful to be moving, but I missed running like a part of myself had gone quiet. So, I made a quiet pact with hope and tried the treadmill. Just a few minutes, then built it up to manage two slow miles. It wasn’t fast, but it was running. And I was ecstatic!

Throughout 2024, I kept those short runs going a couple of times a week, mostly swimming to protect my back. But something stirred in me. I wanted more. My pace was painfully slow, and I feared the doctor had been right. Maybe my running legs were truly done.

Then came one run in early 2025. I was struggling, nearly ready to stop. But I wasn't defeated. I whispered a prayer: Lord, give me strength to finish. And something shifted. My legs felt lighter, my energy surged, and I ran, not just home, but faster than I had in years. When I checked my watch, I saw it wasn't just a good run. It was my best run yet.

That moment changed everything. I kept running. Slowly, steadily, faithfully. And now, I'm half-marathon fit: 13.1 miles strong, injury-free, and full of gratitude.

As I take on my first half marathon in twenty years, I'm running for The Shop of Hope in Clitheroe. Take a look inside this shop located on Castle St, Clitheroe. At the rear of the shop is the beginning of a beautiful initiative aiming to become a Community Hub for Creative Arts & Crafts. It's a place where people can find connection, creativity, and healing. Just like I did in my running journey, step by step, prayer by prayer, mile by mile.

Wherever I run I carry this verse with me:

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." (Philippians 4:13)

If you're able to sponsor me, Wendy or Ron, you won't just be supporting my run. You will be helping build something hopeful for others in Clitheroe and beyond."



Christmas Minus One

A reflective service for those who are processing bereavement as we approach Christmas

Saturday 6th December
4pm

St James' Church Clitheroe

What's on each week?

Sunday

9.30am

Morning Worship

In person only; St James' Church

Sunday

11.15am

Morning Worship

St James' Church and YouTube

Sunday

7pm

Prayer meeting/Without Borders

Without Borders, 7.30pm 3rd Sunday of the month

Wednesday

9.45am

Prayer meeting

St James Church

Wednesday

10.30am

Wednesday Communion

St James Church

Kids and Families

Little Fishes: Monday 10.30-12

0-5 years, parents and carers

Waymakers: **Tuesday 6pm-7.30pm**

Years 3-6

Kingdom Kids: Sundays 9.30am and 11.15am

0-11 years

Popcorn:

14th November & 12th December, 3.30pm

Youth

Youth 412: Wednesdays 7pm-9pm

Discussion, Bible Study and Worship

Youth Club: Fridays 6.30pm-8.30pm

Games, snacks and fun

Sunday Youth:

11.15am Service only

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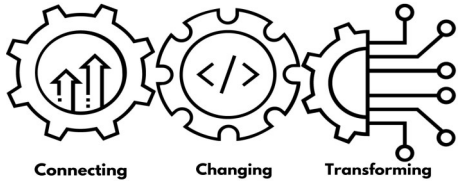
as a Word attachment (.doc), or a plain text (.txt) file. Don't worry about formatting, as we will have to adjust items to fit the page.

**Deadline for Network Jan/
Feb 2026: Monday 5th Jan**

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