

# ST MIKE'S BULLETIN

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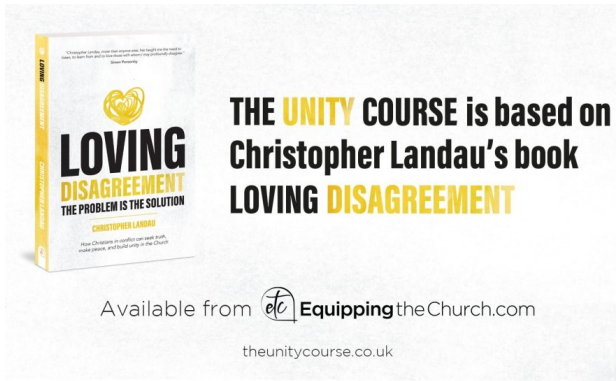
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## Lent Course

During Lent this year, we will be using The Unity Course as the basis of our study and discussions together.

Please look out for further details on dates and times of groups: coming soon! It is hoped that churches across the town will be involved also in this programme and that a variety of groups and locations will be available for all.



THE **UNITY** COURSE is based on  
Christopher Landau's book  
**LOVING DISAGREEMENT**

Available from  Equipping the Church.com  
theunitycourse.co.uk

## Get Started with Knitting

If you'd like to learn to knit, could help teach beginners, or would just like to continue your own knitting in company, please come along to Lynne's house on any/all of the following:

- Wednesday 7th Feb. - 10.30am
- Wednesday 14th Feb. - 10.30am
- Sunday 18th Feb. - 7.00pm



56 Fence Avenue, SK10 1LT

**Advance confirmation would be helpful so that I can provide sufficient knitting needles, yarn, etc.**

Email: [lynne.norbron@gmail.com](mailto:lynne.norbron@gmail.com)

Phone 07881 423687



Angel  
at my Table

Foodie Friday

Don't forget to book for the next Foodie Friday, on Friday 2nd March. Places are limited and fill up fast!

## The Collect for Sunday 4th February

Second Sunday before Lent

Almighty God,  
give us reverence for all creation  
and respect for every person,  
that we may mirror your likeness  
In Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Music@Mike's

The next lunchtime concert at St Michael's is on Thursday 8th February at 1.15pm.

It features the talented local trio of Nicola Bright (violin), Adrienne Spilsbury (violin and viola) and Julian Davis (piano). They will be performing the Bach Double Violin Concerto and works by Seiber, Shostakovich and Spilsbury.

Entry is free; donations to St Michael's and the Hospice are welcomed.



## Prayer for Peace in the Middle East & Elsewhere

O God of all hope and peace, we bring to you the needs of our broken and hurting world.

Our hearts are breaking with images of lives lost and torn apart by grief in Israel and Palestine.

We pray for an end to violence and warfare so that the challenging work of rebuilding may begin.

Help us, O Lord, to affirm our common humanity so that in our differences we may build together for justice and peace.

In Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## Wanted: spare laptop / desktop

One of our church members does not have access to a laptop or desktop at home and is currently not in a position to purchase equipment. It would help enormously in managing correspondence with authorities, completing online forms, etc. which are not easily managed by phone.

If you have recently upgraded your laptop / desktop and still have your old equipment which you would be happy to donate, please see Rachel or Heike.



## At St Peter's:

## Bring on the Swing Jazz Concert

Thursday 8th February  
2024



A reminder that the Jazz Concert which had to be postponed at the end of last year has been rearranged for Thursday, 8th February at 7.30 pm. Those who have already bought tickets via Eventbrite don't need to do anything, your previous bookings still apply. If you would like to come but haven't ordered your ticket yet they are available via [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk).

All proceeds from this concert will go to the Children's Society.

Join us for *Worship*



### Sunday 4th February

10:00am

Second Sunday before Lent

Church Family Communion

Leader & Speaker: Revd Martin Stephens

Reading: Isaiah 40:21-31

"You are not forgotten by God"

Please use the link below to stream this  
(and previous Services) on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/@stmikesmacclesfield>

### Start the Week

Every Monday from 7.30am in church

Morning Prayer at 8.30 am in church and also on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/stmikesmacclesfield>

### Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

Alternate Wednesdays at 10:30 am in the Savage Chapel  
lasting 30-40 minutes.

Next taking place on 7th February

### Thursday Morning Worship 10:30 am (35–40 minutes)

Our midweek services follow the order from  
the Book of Common Prayer (traditional language) and  
alternate between Morning Prayer and Holy Communion

8th February: Morning Prayer

15th February: Holy Communion

### Thursday Homegroup

Meeting for Bible study and prayer –  
Morning and Evening groups

Please contact Eve & David Budgett (431606)  
or David Mayers (420716) for more information



### Contemplative Prayer

Every Friday at 9:20am in the Savage Chapel, lasting half an  
hour. An opportunity for quiet prayer followed by a short chat.

### Compline/Night Prayer

Every Friday

Topic: Night Prayer | Time: 8.30 pm

Join Zoom Meeting; [https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZ0VXdaZz09)

[pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZ0VXdaZz09](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/75676947476?pwd=R2twT2pQbTFzUGR5bk1reDZ0VXdaZz09)

Meeting ID: 756 7694 7476 Passcode: compline



### Sponsor the Scarf

Please use the link below to  
donate towards our "Let's Knit a  
Scarf to Keep the Church  
Warm" project.

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/lynnne-spending-1>



The scarf itself will (obviously) not keep the church  
warm, but money donated will go towards our goal of  
achieving the CoE's target to be carbon-neutral by  
2030. Think 'more efficient boiler' and, longer term,  
'solar panels' -and please give generously!

### How to contact the office...



Phone – Landline: 01625 421 984

Email – [clergy@maccteam.org.uk](mailto:clergy@maccteam.org.uk)

for rota changes, life events

– [office@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk](mailto:office@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk) to contact

Elaine for room bookings and building matters

– [stmikesnotices@gmail.com](mailto:stmikesnotices@gmail.com) for newsletter items

– [maccteamprinting@gmail.com](mailto:maccteamprinting@gmail.com) for all printing

– [safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@stmichaels-macclesfield.org.uk) to  
contact Katie Wilcock, Parish Safeguarding Officer

In person – The Office, St Michael's Church, Market Place,  
Macclesfield, SK10 1DY

#### Please note

There will be someone in the office every morning  
9.30am– 12.00

Elaine's office hours are usually **Monday,**  
**Wednesday, and Thursday 9:30 am – 1:30 pm.**



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### Donating to St Michael's

Is easy!

Scan this QR Code or use the  
contactless donation point  
in the Welcome Area



Email any **prayer requests** here

(your request will be circulated confidentially to  
a limited group of people who will pray for you)

