

## CONTACTS

Minister Rev. Dr. Joseph B Suray  
07858 376 362  
revdrsuray@gmail.com

Stewards Duncan Turner, David Foster, Chris Allen  
Lettings David Foster 07730 405 645  
davidfosterld@btinternet.com

Website darwenmethodists.co.uk  
Facebook Darwen Methodist Church at Spring Vale  
Circuit wpmmethodist.org.uk  
District nwedmethodists.org.uk

## Groups

**Stay & Play** (Babies, Toddlers, Mums, Dads etc)

Tuesdays 10:30 -12:00 *David 01254 703858*

**Craft Group** Tuesdays 2:00 - 4:00

*Carol 07434 312 271*

**Rainbows** Tuesdays 5:45 - 6:45

*Eileen 07718 319 364*

**Brownies** Wednesday 6-7:30

*Olive 01254 705333*

**Guides** Wednesdays 6:45 -8:00

*Cheryl 07934 278 410*

**Train Time** Thursday monthly 11:00 - 12:00

*www.traintimeuk.co.uk*

**Bible Study** Thursdays 6:30-8:30

*David 07730 405 645*

**Karate** (Fridays)

# Spring Vale News

News for the week 24 - 30 2026

Welcome to Spring Vale for our Pentecost service led by Catherine Young. Our next two services are local arrangement services



And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, lifted up his voice, and addressed the crowd: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen carefully to my words. These men are not drunk, as you suppose. It is only the third hour of the day! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 'In the last days, God says, I will pour out My Spirit on all people.

Acts 2:4,14-17

# Mission Group News

Here are some of the things we are planning full details are on the noticeboard.

Buy a replacement projector. The Circuit are giving us £500 and we have applied to the District for £1200.

Continue with plans to decorate the first floor room.

Carol Turner is coming up with designs to brighten the outside.

A group is working on replacing the signage.

The following events are being planned:

Beetle Drive, Film Night, Dance evening, two quiz nights, Family Night, Community event.

We also talked about the need for additional church stewards.

A team from the national church will be visiting the Circuit including Spring Vale next week to help us develop a plan for all our buildings.

## What's on this week

Monday 7:00pm	Fellowship Group @ Bright St
Tuesday 10:30am	Stay & Play @ Spring Vale
Tuesday 2:00 pm	Craft Group @ Spring Vale
Tuesday 7:00pm	Mission Group @ Spring Vale
Thursday 9:30am	Stay & Play @ Bright St
Thursday 6:30pm	Bible Group @ Spring Vale
Friday 1:00pm	Time Group@Bright St
Sunday 10:30am	Service @ Spring Vale

## A prayer at Pentecost for Aldersgate Sunday

Holy Spirit come again this Pentecost:

**Out of the depth we call.**

Cut through the noise to still our souls and warm our hearts.

Open our ears to hear and understand.

Give us to unhurried work as those assured by grace.

Holy Spirit come again this Pentecost:

**Out of the depth we call.**

Prevent us from harm, raise our hope, comfort our lament.

Persist in us as conscience, care and love.

As you awoke our brother John, awaken us: from his Aldersgate into our own. Amen.

After Jesus died and came back to life, he promised his followers that they would receive the Holy Spirit to guide and inspire them. Pentecost is the day when this happened (you can read about it in Acts 2). Many people and churches use it as an opportunity to ask God's Holy Spirit to fill them afresh, and to become more aware of God's presence in their lives.

Aldersgate Sunday marks one of Methodism founder John Wesley's own transformative experiences, as he felt God's love in a most personal and life-giving way during a meeting with other Christians. Wesley described the experience as his heart feeling "strangely warmed" and afterwards his relationship with God became more real and heartfelt. His brother, hymn writer Charles Wesley, had a similar experience on Pentecost three days before. He experienced "a strange palpitation of heart" which caused him to exclaim, "I believe, I believe!" This happened in a meeting in Aldersgate St in London in 1738.

## Flowers

The flowers this week have been given by Susan Blezard and next week by Mary Foster and on 7 June Eileen Walsh