

**Our Mission Statement**  
**'to share the light and hope of Jesus in our community'**

## Who's Who at St. Mary's

**St. Mary's Church, Weaverham, takes its duty and obligation to protect everyone, extremely seriously. If you have any safeguarding concerns or issues of a safeguarding nature our Safeguarding Officer is Louise Parry, who can be contacted through the Church office, 01606 851880 or by e-mail [safeguarding@stmarysweaverham.org](mailto:safeguarding@stmarysweaverham.org)**

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### Giving to St. Mary's

Please use the gift aid envelopes if you would like to make a gift for the church and are a UK taxpayer.

If you attend St. Mary's regularly, you might like to consider setting up a Standing Order

You can also give to St Mary's by using your bank card. The machine is at the back of church - it is also possible to gift aid your donation – just answer yes and type in your email address

Talk to John Freeman our Treasurer for more information



## St Mary's Church Service & Notice Sheet 18th January 2026

We are delighted that you have come to join with us for our worship services today. If there is anything you're not sure of, please ask any of the people at the back of church. Everything you need for the 10.30 service will be up on the screen. For Communion services, Gluten Free bread is used and Gluten Free wafers are available, non-alcoholic wine is available too - please ask.

### Services Today

8.30am - Communion

10.30am - Morning Worship

6.30pm - Evening Prayer

**Readings:** Isaiah 49: 1 - 7 [689 OT] & John 1: 29 - 42 [88 NT]



### After Service Refreshments

are served in church, after 10.30 & 6.30 services why not join us - its good to talk!

### Children & Young People

Children and young people are welcome at all our services and we have toys for babies and little ones at the back of the Church.

The 10.30am service is particularly family friendly with our Kid's Church leaders ready, by the font, with activities for children of any age.

Later in the service there is an interactive bible-time in the bell-tower for any children who wish to join in, with or without parents/carers.

Fully Accessible Toilet facilities are available in the main entry porch

### PLEASE NOTE:

We now have a CCTV system installed in church. This will be operational at all times, except when services are in progress.

Talk to Colin or Bob for more information

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## What's happening this week



**STICKY FINGERS**  
**19th January**  
**9.15 - 10.45am**

Time for parents, grandparents and other carers with babies & preschool children to enjoy play time, crafts, singing etc, with healthy snacks and home-made cakes.

**Monday 19th Jan. 4 - 5.00pm**  
**in the Lighthouse**  
PCSO - Michelle Gillett 'surgery'  
Phone: 07812 781911,  
[michelle.gillett@cheshire.police.uk](mailto:michelle.gillett@cheshire.police.uk)

**Wednesdays 9.30 - 10.30am**  
Food Hub in the Lighthouse

**Wednesday 21st January**  
10.30 - Midweek Communion

**Saturdays - Church is open from 10 - 12 noon**  
Why not come in and sit quietly for a few minutes?



**LIGHTHOUSE CAFÉ**  
**Tues. 20th January. - 9.15am**

Why not bring a friend along to the café, enjoy good company, good food and a variety of coffee and tea. And even put the world to rights as well!



**UPCYCLING SHED & CRAFTY WORKSHOP**

**22nd January at 9.30am**

The Crafters are re-cycling Christmas Cards.

There's lots going on in the shed too!



**GIVING**

Our grateful thanks to everyone who completes a Pledged Giving form. However, we have a form that asks for weekly giving envelopes, but does not include any contact details.

If this is you, or you know who it is, please talk to John Freeman.  
Thank you!



**FOODBANK**

The box is at the back of church for your donations - please make sure everything is within date.  
**Thank you for your generosity!**

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## Other News and Dates for your Diary



**METHODIST COVENANT SERVICE**  
**25th January - 10.30am**

The Covenant Service is a key part of the partnership between the Methodist and Anglican traditions that make up our Ecumenical Partnership.

This annual service is placed at the beginning of the year to celebrate all that God has done for us, and to affirm the grateful commitment of our whole lives to God, as we promise to live for Him and not just for ourselves.



**RECYCLE YOUR CHRISTMAS CANDLES!**

The box will be removed this week.

So get your candles in it!

We can then send them to

**Balfern Grove**

**[The Recycled Candle Company]**

Where they will be melted down, the wax re-used and so help the Planet.



**ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING**  
**20th April 2026**

Yes, it's nearly that time again - when we get together to review the past year and ask for God's guidance for this year.

We usually have a pictorial display of the activities and events that we have organized and this year is no different. So, if you have any pictures of events, or weekly activities etc. please send them to the church office so that they can be included in the display

[weaverham.church.office@gmail.com](mailto:weaverham.church.office@gmail.com)

Thank you!



**STICKY FINGERS**  
**Can you help?**

The Sticky Fingers team provides a great ministry to families within our community.

A regular attendance of 18 adults and 23 children.

Monday mornings include a singing bible story time, snack and chat time, and free play/craft.

We could do with some help - please contact Georgina or Vicky to find out how you could volunteer your time or talents within our team



**METHODIST CHURCH**  
**Saturday 21st March**  
**Neurodiversity Workshop -**  
**10.00 - 3.30pm**  
**Wellsping, Congleton [CW12 3AP]**

Understanding the needs of neurodivergent people and how we can support them

**There is a poster at the back of church with all the information.**