

# Belief In Blackpool

## A Directory Of Faith Groups In Blackpool

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# Introduction

The Blackpool faith forum was established in 2001 both to provide an opportunity for local inter faith dialogue and a focus for consultation among Faith communities in Blackpool, the Council and other key public agencies in the town.

The Faith Forum first identified the need for an information resource of faiths groups and their community services and facilities in the town in 2002. Subsequently, Blackpool Challenge Partnership funded a project together with Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde Council for Voluntary Services to produce the first directory in 2003

The Forum and Blackpool Council have now refreshed the Directory following the comprehensive survey of Blackpool's faith community that was conducted in the autumn of 2005.

This new edition is funded from Neighbourhood renewal and recognises the huge contribution of faith groups in the town in serving many different needs of local people.

The Directory consists of more than 70 groups covering a broad range of Christian denominations and other members of the 9 Great world Faiths including Baha'i, Buddhist, Hindu, Humanist, Jain, Jewish, Muslim, and Sikh.

This new edition, builds on the first Directory by expanding the information to cover details on location, mission, worship, buildings and other resources and community use and activities. The Directory also contains a summary of the beliefs of the main religious traditions represented in our town.

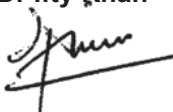
The Directory will be widely circulated in public buildings such as libraries, schools, hospitals, GP surgeries, council reception areas etc as well as among faith groups and the wider community and voluntary sector in Blackpool.

Finally as the town and our faith communities grow and develop, we will aim to keep the information resource up to date and intend to set up a web site to help with this.

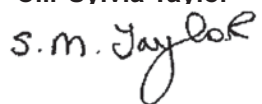
**Rev Chris Wren**



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# Summary Of The Main Faith Traditions Represented In Blackpool

## What is a Faith ?

A faith, religion or belief is a world-view or 'life stance'- a set of answers to the 'ultimate questions' of life involving values - spiritual and moral – and beliefs about the nature of life and the world.

Faiths usually but not always involve belief in a god (or gods). People of many different cultures and ethnic groups may adhere to the same religion or belief.

## BAHA'I



**The interlocking triangles represent the interdependence of all people in one essential unity.**

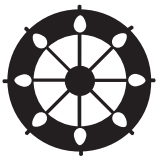
People who follow Baha'u'llah (the Glory of God) the Founder of the Baha'i Faith, are known as Baha'is. It is the latest of the world religions, beginning in Persia in 1844. The Herald of Baha'u'llah is known as the Bab (the Gate). Claiming to be a Messenger of God, he prepared the people for the coming of Baha'u'llah much like John the Baptist did for Christ. The shrines of the Bab and Baha'u'llah now situated in Palestine (Israel), are the most holy places of pilgrimage for Baha'is.

The Baha'i Faith has since established itself all over the world to become geographically the second most widespread religion on Earth. Baha'is come from virtually every nation, ethnic group, culture, profession and social or economic class. More than 2100 different ethnic and tribal groups are represented.

The main theme of Baha'u'llah's message is unity. He taught that there is only one God, that all the world's religions represent one changeless and eternal Faith of God, and that all humanity is one race, destined to live in peace and harmony.

<b>Key Facts</b>	
<b>Followers</b>	Baha'is
<b>Holy Book</b>	Kitab-i-Aqdas (The Most Holy Book)
<b>Main Religious Festivals</b>	Naw-Ruz, Rivdan, Anniversary of the Declaration of the Bab, Anniversary of the Ascension of Baha'u'llah, Martyrdom of the Bab and Birth of the Bab.
<b>Holy Day</b>	No one specific day of the week
<b>Language</b>	Of the country of origin
<b>Other points to note - some obligations of a Baha'i</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Pray daily</li> <li>› Read some of the Baha'i Scriptures daily</li> <li>› Observe the Baha'i Fast if not exempt from it</li> <li>› Engage in some type of work profitable to mankind in a spirit of service</li> <li>› Endeavour to lead a Baha'i life</li> <li>› Endeavour to teach his Faith by example and word</li> <li>› Support the Baha'i administrative system</li> </ul>

## **BUDDHISM**



### **Eightfold Path to Enlightenment**

The Buddha gave many presentations of the path to enlightenment. One popular presentation is the Eightfold Path to Enlightenment. This is traditionally represented as an eight-spoked wheel. This path is a guide to living life compassionately and non-violently. Another presentation is the Six Perfections.

Buddhism started in North-East India and spread to Central and South-East Asia, Japan, China, Tibet and more recently to the West. It was founded by Siddhartha Gautama, also known as Shakyamuni, more popularly known as the Buddha. The word Buddha means 'the enlightened or awakened one'. There are two streams of Buddhism, the Hinayana (Lesser Vehicle) and Mahayana (Greater Vehicle, of which there are many different traditions).

<b>Key Facts</b>	
<b>Followers</b>	Buddhists
<b>Holy Book</b>	Suttas in Pali, or Sutras in Sanskrit, and in Vajrayana Buddhism of the Mahayana, the Buddhist Tantras
<b>Main Religious Festivals</b>	Shinran Memorial Day, Honen Memorial Day, Losar, Magha Puja, Hanamatsuri, Saga Dawa, Vesakha Puja, Wesak, Buddha Day, Passing into Parinirvana, Chokhor, Asalha Puja, Dharma Day, Pavarna, Kathina Day and Bodhi Day( Pure Land)
<b>Holy Day</b>	Full and half-moon observance days. No specific day of the week
<b>Language</b>	Of each country
<b>Other points to note</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Private family devotions and meditation are undertaken daily</li> <li>› Some Buddhists are vegetarians. Buddhism emphasizes the avoidance of intentional killing</li> <li>› The word Buddha describes a state of enlightenment: Buddha means 'Awakened One', someone who has awakened from the sleep of ignorance and sees things as they really are, and thus is completely free from all faults and mental obscurations.</li> <li>› Buddhists believe in reincarnation</li> <li>› Buddhism is non-evangelical</li> </ul>

# CHRISTIANITY



## The cross

Jesus died on the cross, the normal method of execution in the Roman Empire at that time. It was a shameful and painful death but Christians believe that through it God showed his love, and power over shame, pain, and death.

Christians believe in one God who created the universe and created human beings to have a special relationship with him. Through human wilfulness, exemplified in the story of Adam and Eve, this relationship was broken. God showed his love for all humanity by sending his son Jesus to bring humanity back to a personal relationship with God. After 3 years of teaching, Jesus was executed by crucifixion, but brought to life again - the resurrection, showing God's powers over death and suffering and that death is not the end. The Christian church was founded after Jesus Christ's death, by his disciples. Christianity started in Jerusalem and spread rapidly to other parts of the world.

Christians believe in one God who revealed himself to mankind as three different persons:

- › God the Father
- › God the Son - Jesus Christ
- › God the Holy Spirit

Christians believe in the forgiveness of sins through the death of Jesus on the cross, love of God and love of your neighbour.

From its earliest days, Christianity has had groups within it with very different ideas. Over the centuries, the differences became divisions and various traditions of Christianity came into being. The divisions were at first over the exact details of Christ's teachings and how they should be put into practice; this is what separated the various traditions, which are usually called Churches. These include the eastern or Orthodox tradition; the western or Roman Catholic tradition; Anglicanism; Lutheranism; Baptism; Quakerism; Methodism; URC and many others.

<b>Key Facts</b>	
<b>Followers</b>	Christians
<b>Holy Book</b>	Bible - consists of the Old Testament, written in Hebrew, and the New Testament, written in Greek. It has been translated into many languages and contains accounts of the life and teachings of Jesus and letters from early Christians
<b>Main Religious Festivals</b>	Christmas, Easter and Pentecost
<b>Holy Day</b>	Sunday
<b>Language</b>	English, Welsh, or the language of the country of origin
<b>Other points to note</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Christians worship in different ways by hymn singing, reading or singing a collection of poems called psalms</li> <li>› Prayers may be read or spoken. Silence is also an important part of prayer</li> <li>› Christians number nearly 2 billion world-wide</li> <li>› Christians take their name from the title given to Jesus: the Christ, meaning the 'anointed one of God'</li> </ul>

## HINDUISM



### Aum

This is the written form of the sacred sound 'Aum' (sometimes spelt 'Om'). According to the Hindu scriptures, Aum was the first sound, out of which the rest of the universe was created.

Hinduism originated in India. The fundamental belief of Hinduism is that the Truth is with all of us. Hindus believe in God as being a universal force existing everywhere, always and in everything, both in the living and non-living. It follows that Hindus believe that God exists both inside and outside each individual. The first and most important belief of Hinduism is that



energy within each person is the same energy that drives the universe.

## Key Facts

<b>Followers</b>	Hindus
<b>Holy Book</b>	The Vedas, Ramayana, Bhagavadgita (Gita) - 'the song of the Lord' - are among the prominent books revered by Hindus as scriptures. The Bhagavadgita forms a part of the great epic - the Mahabharata
<b>Main religious festivals</b>	<p>Makara Sankranti (Harvest Festival; Jan)</p> <p>Vasanta Panchami (Spring Festival; Jan/Feb)</p> <p>Maha Shiva Ratri (Night long festival in honour of Lord Shiva; Feb/March)</p> <p>Holi (Spring festival with coloured powder/water; March)</p> <p>Ugadi (Hindu New Year for some hindus; March/April)</p> <p>Rama Navami (Birthday of Lord Rama; March/April)</p> <p>Hanuman Jayanti (The birthday of Lord Hanuman, the Monkey God; April)</p> <p>Ratha Yatra (The Cart festival of Lord Jagannatha; June/July)</p> <p>Raksha Bandhan (Sisters tie silk amulets on wrists of brothers for protection; August)</p> <p>Krishna Jayanti/Janmastami (Birthday of Lord Krishna; Aug/Sept)</p> <p>Ganesh Chaturthi (Birthday of Lord Ganesh, Elephant God; Aug/Sept)</p> <p>Navaratri (Nine nights of celebrations to mark victory of good over evil; includes Saraswati puja, worship of the Goddess of Learning Sept/Oct)</p> <p>Durga Puja (worship of the Consort of Lord Shiva (Sept/Oct)</p> <p>Dussehra (celebration of Rama's victory over Ravana; October)</p> <p>Diwali (The festival of Lights and New Year Celebration including Lakshmi Puja, worship of the Goddess of Wealth; Oct/Nov)</p>
<b>Holy day</b>	No one specific day of the week
<b>Language</b>	Hindi is the National language. There are about fourteen major regional languages including Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Marathi, Malayalam, Tamil, and Telugu.

**Other points to note**

- › There is tolerance for other religions. Although other religions are viewed to be different from Hinduism, they are not thought to be incompatible with it
- › There is respect for life in all its forms and for the doctrine of non-violence (Ahimsa)
- › There is little congregational worship in Hindu temples as religion is considered to be a matter for the individual
- › People are likely to begin and end the day with prayer (puja) at home. They may also visit a temple occasionally to make offerings and to pray
- › There are many ceremonies associated with important points in the human life cycle - birth, coming of age, engagement, marriage and death
- › Traditionally, Hindu women wear a sari, particularly on special occasions and festivals. They may also wear shalwar (loose trousers) and kameez (tunic). Some women, the young in particular, may wear western clothes. During mourning periods, white is worn
- › Married women may have a red powder spot (bindi) on their forehead or in the parting of their hair, just above the forehead
- › Hindus believe in reincarnation
- › Hindus believe in one God but with many different forms. An individual is at liberty to worship a personal God (form) of his/her choice
- › Many Hindus are pure vegetarians (not vegans); others eat meat and fish but no beef

# ISLAM



## **The moon and stars**

Muslims say that Islam guides a person's life just as the moon and stars guide a traveller in the desert. This symbol on a country's flag often indicates a Muslim state.

Islam is one of the oldest monotheistic (belief in only one God) religions alongside Christianity and Judaism. Today, although you will find Muslims in almost every country, the majority are still to be found in South East Asia, the Middle East, and North Africa. Islam means submission to the will of God and is based on the teachings of the Quran (Koran).

## **The main principles of Islam are:**

- › Belief in one God (Allah)
- › Mohammed (Peace Be Upon Him - PBUH) is God's final prophet who was given the Holy Quran as guidance for mankind
- › Life after death
- › The five main pillars of Islam are:
  1. The declaration of faith that there is only one God (Allah) and Mohammed (PBUH) is his prophet
  2. Prayers which are said five times a day facing towards Mecca (before sunrise, noon, mid/late afternoon, just after sunset, and night).
  3. The giving of alms or money to the poor
  4. Fasting during the month of Ramadan
  5. Making the pilgrimage to Mecca at least once during a Muslim's lifetime - only if one can afford it

<b>Key Facts</b>	
<b>Followers</b>	Muslims
<b>Holy book</b>	Quran (Koran)
<b>Main religious festivals</b>	Eid-UI-Adha, The Festival of Sacrifice, Al-Hijra, Ashura, The Prophet Muhammad's Birthday, The Prophets Night Journey and Ascension, The Night of Forgiveness (Lailat-UI-Bara'h), Ramadan, Lailat-UI-Qadr and Eid-UI-Fitr.
<b>Holy day</b>	Friday. Most men and a number of women will go to the mosque for noon prayers (women may also pray at home)
<b>Language</b>	General Islamic language is Arabic and the language of the country of origin although most of the Islamic text has now been translated into Urdu and English as most Muslims are familiar with these two languages
<b>Other points to note</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>› Muslims believe in all the prophets including four prophets of the book – David (Daud/Dawood) (PBUH), Moses (Musa/Moosa) (PBUH), Jesus (Isa/ Eesa) (PBUH) and Mohammed (PBUH), who was born 570 years after Jesus (PBUH) and was the last of God's prophets mentioned in the Quran.</li> <li>› The Quran should be kept wrapped up in a cloth cover and unwrapped by the follower of the faith</li> <li>› Muslims are required to wash their hands, feet and other parts of their body (ablution) before they take the Quran in their hand</li> <li>› Muslim women cannot pray, fast, or touch the Quran during menstruation and the same applies to men in impure condition</li> <li>› Muslim men and women are equal in religion</li> <li>› Muslims do not eat pork or any other pig products, or drink alcohol or use drugs</li> <li>› Muslims eat halal or kosher meat (ie meat that has been prepared according to a particular religious custom)</li> <li>› Muslim men should dress like the Prophet used to</li> <li>› Muslim women should wear clothes which cover them from head to ankles. Women can dress in Western style clothing or in clothes of other regions as long as they meet the Islamic criteria and are modest</li> </ul>

# JAINISM



## Palm

The raised hand is a symbol of protection and blessing.

The cardinal principle of Jainism is ahimsa, generally translated as non-violence, although it goes far beyond that to encompass the avoidance of all physical or even mental harm to any living being, including the tiniest. Although they recognise that a completely harmless life is humanly impossible Jains strive to the best of their ability to obey the precept of ahimsa.

## Key Facts

	Jain scriptures are called Agamas
	Jains believe in reincarnation
	Jains believe that the mission of the human birth is to achieve liberation from the mundane life, and the cycle of death and rebirth.
	Jains are pure vegetarians, and do not consume meat, fish, seafood poultry or eggs.
<b>Main religious festivals</b>	Mahavira Jayanti, Paryushana-Parva and Diwali
<b>Worship</b>	The Namokkara mantra is recited on waking up, going to bed and at meal times jains may observe the ritual of pratikramana once or twice a day, and meditate as often as desired.

# JUDAISM



## The menorah

The menorah, a seven-branched candlestick, stood in the Temple of Jerusalem in ancient times, and its design is described in the Torah. The central branch is said to represent the Sabbath, the day when God rested after creating the world. The star represents The Star of David.

Judaism begins with Abraham at least 4,000 years ago. The Jewish religion is all about living a certain way of life. Being a Jew means sharing and celebrating rituals, festivals and songs with others and living by the standards that God has laid down in the Holy Scriptures (Torah). Anyone who has a Jewish mother is automatically part of that faith. In addition, one may convert to Judaism.

## The main themes of Jewish belief include:

- › One God
- › A commitment to the legal and ethical demands of Jewish law and custom
- › A commitment to the ongoing study of traditional Jewish texts

## Key Facts

Followers	Jews
<b>Hebrew Bible (Tenach). The Hebrew Bible is made up of three parts</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Torah (the teachings): prized most highly. It covers the five books of Moses - Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy, also known as the Chumash (Pentateuch). It is the sacred text on which Judaism is based. Set portions of the Chumash are read aloud in the synagogue on the Sabbath and during festivals</li><li>2. Navi'im (the prophets): spokesmen of God and his teachings, portions of which are read aloud in the synagogue on the Sabbath and during festivals</li><li>3. Ketuvim (the writings): contains the Psalms, which are used in synagogue worship</li></ol>

<b>Holy books</b>	The Talmud and Codes of Law: these books, written over the last two millennia, codify the Jewish way of life in all matters. Also known as Oral Law
<b>Main religious festivals</b>	Tu B'Shevat, Purim, Passover, Pesach, Yom Ha-Shoah, Yom Ha'atzma'ut, Lag B'omer, Shavuot, Tisha B'av, Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Simchat Torah and Hanukah.
<b>Holy days</b>	Saturday. The Sabbath starts on Friday sunset and lasts until Saturday sunset
<b>Language</b>	Hebrew, Yiddish or the language of the country of origin
<b>Other points to note:</b>	<p>Strict adherents to the Jewish faith:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Do not eat pork and many other meats and fish</li> <li>➤ Will eat only kosher meat (ie meat from certain animals - sheep, cattle, poultry and some others - that have been slaughtered in accordance with Jewish religious custom)</li> <li>➤ Do not eat milk and meat products together</li> <li>➤ Must be home before sunset on Friday for the start of the Sabbath and before sunset during the holidays</li> <li>➤ Will pray three times a day - in the morning, in the afternoon and in the evening</li> <li>➤ Jewish men will keep their heads covered at all times, usually with a skull cap (also known as kippah, cappel or yamulke)</li> </ul>

# SIKHISM



## Circle and swords

In the centre of this symbol is the two-edged sword used to prepare a sweet food during Sikh services. The circle symbolizes one God with no beginning or end. The two swords on the outside show Sikh readiness to defend truth and justice.

Sikhism originated in the Punjab in the 15th century. It was founded by Guru Nanak, born of Hindu parents but who proceeded to create a new religion, emphasizing that the lowest is equal to the highest in race, creed, political rights and religious hopes. The religion is based on the teachings of Ten Holy Saints, or Gurus, who lived successively during the 15th, 16th and 17th centuries.

Sikhs believe in:

- › One God
- › The Ten Gurus and their teachings
- › The Guru Granth Sahib (Holy Book)
- › The rejection of the hierarchy of the Hindu caste system
- › Equality between men and women
- › The oneness of the human race

## Key Facts

<b>Followers</b>	Sikhs
<b>Holy book</b>	Known as the Guru Granth Sahib. This is a very large collection of readings and hymns written by the Gurus and various saints
<b>Main religious festivals</b>	Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday, Hola Mahalla/Mohalla, Vaisakhi (Baisakhi), Guru Arjan Dev Martyrdom, Divali, Birthday of Guru Nanak and Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur.
<b>Holy day</b>	No one specific day of the week
<b>Language</b>	Mainly Punjabi, or language of the country of origin



**Other points to note**

- › Baptized Sikhs (Amritdhari) strictly wear the five Ks. These are:
  1. Kara: steel bangle. It signifies that the wearer is bound both morally and spiritually to the teachings of the Gurus
  2. Kachha: shorts for chastity and self-respect
  3. Kangha: a small comb for keeping a tidy appearance
  4. Kesh: uncut hair. A spiritual element
  5. Kirpan: a small knife or sword, sign of strength. Only to be used in self-defence or defence of the weak
- › Unbaptized Sikhs may not wear the five Ks
- › All baptized Sikh men must wear a turban
- › Sikh men have the middle name Singh (lion). This can also appear as the last name
- › Sikh women have the middle name Kaur (princess). This can also appear as the last name
- › The Guru Granth Sahib should be kept wrapped in a clean silk cloth, in an elevated position and read reverently
- › Most practising Sikhs will not eat halal meat, cut their hair, gamble, steal, commit adultery, smoke, drink alcohol or take drugs
- › Sikh women do not wear a veil
- › Sikhs do not worship idols or sacred animals
- › Sikh men wear a turban and Sikh women wear either a sari or shalwar (loose trousers), kameez (tunic) and chunni (long, wide scarf)
- › Any practising Sikh, man or woman, may perform a ceremony at the gurdawara (Sikh temple)
- › Sikhs believe in reincarnation

**Note:** Information in this section was based on a Guide to Religions and Culture produced by Blackpool Council and Blackpool Primary Care Trust and material from the Multi Faith Centre at the University of Derby and the Interfaith Network for the UK.

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### **Mission/aims and priorities for your group**

Consciousness of the oneness of God, the oneness of religion, the oneness of the human race and the oneness of the world

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

Care, rights and respect of other people, justice and fairness in the system.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

Worship takes place in the homes of members of the faith

### **Community Services**

Visiting Care Homes and homes

# **BUDDHIST**

## **Keajra Kadampa Buddhist Centre**

Gen Kelsang Thaye  
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Singleton  
Poulton-Le-Fylde  
Lancashire  
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[www.meditationinblackpool.org.uk](http://www.meditationinblackpool.org.uk)



### **Mission/aims and priorities for your group**

Keajra Kadampa Buddhist Centre is a Mahayana Buddhist Centre that was established to provide a friendly, peaceful and relaxed environment where the people of Blackpool and the Fylde Coast can learn how to meditate and develop peaceful states of mind. Our classes and workshops are offered for the benefit of all people regardless of spiritual background.

### **Currently don't have own premises**

### **Community Services**

Visiting the sick, visiting the dying and school visits.

# CHRISTIAN

## Blackpool Christian Centre

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[www.b-c-c.org/cont.htm](http://www.b-c-c.org/cont.htm)

### Mission Statement

- A Worshipping Church:- “Our ministry to the Lord” (Acts 13:2). This includes singing, clapping, dancing, raising hands and kneeling. Sometimes with loud praise and sometimes with silent adoration.
- A Fellowshiping Church:- “Our ministry to each other and with each other.” To emulate the early Church by teaching, fellowshiping, breaking bread and prayer. (Acts 2:42)
- An Evangelising Church:- “Our ministry to the World.”

Spiritually: By obeying the great commission to preach the Gospel to every creature. (Mark 16:15) Our aim is to make disciples of all who make a decision to follow Christ. (Matthew 28:16-20)

Socially: By meeting the needs of both the young and the old in the community. To be here for the community and not just ourselves. A user-friendly place to all who enter it.

### Church Facilities

Disabled Access

## Blackpool Community Church

Pastor Michael Kellett  
3 All Hallows Road  
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**Email:** [bpoolcommchurch@yahoo.com](mailto:bpoolcommchurch@yahoo.com)  
<http://www.commchurch.freeserve.co.uk/index.htm>

**Office hours:** Tuesday to Friday 10:00am to 2:00pm.

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am, Bible study, Prayer Times, Worship Times as announced.

**Weekdays:** As announced

Blackpool Community Church meets at Bispham Community Centre, Bispham Road, Bispham, Blackpool, FY2 0HH at 10:30am on Sundays.

## **Personal Vision**

- To see men and women, boys and girls grow strong in the Lord
- For families to live out a fulfilled and happy life-style that will be an example to their fellow believers in the church and those outside

## **Outreach Vision**

- To reach out to the lost in the locality through evangelism
- To be effective as Salt and Light
- To speak up for righteousness and justice both locally and nationally
- To reach for the ends of the earth

## **Church Facilities**

Toilets/Children's toilets, Parking Spaces

## **Community Services**

Home visits, Hospital Broadcasts, Mime Team working in schools and prisons.

Contact – Administrator Clement Anderson, Tel 01253 355344

## **Christadelphian Church**

Mr R Capper  
Christadelphian Hall  
Collingwood Avenue  
Blackpool  
FY3 8BZ

**Tel:** 01253 300064

## **Forward In Faith Ministries International-UK**

Last Mutsambiwa - Evangelist  
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BB1 2JL

**Tel:** 01254 619558

**Email:** lastmutsa@yahoo.co.uk  
www.zaoga-fif.org/

### **Worships at:**

North Shore Methodist Church  
Dickson Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 2AP

**Tel:** 01253 294640



### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

People must be born again and lives must change through preaching Jesus who died and rose again. People must be filled in the Holy Spirit, we preach deliverance - people must be set free

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

Please find below training we hope to provide for meeting human needs. These programs help the young, women and men to acquire hands on skills in various disciplines. They will use these skills to start their own small businesses thereby helping the community. Some of these programs offer services to the community such as nursery schools, the orphanage centre etc:

School of Dressmaking, Mechanics Painting, School of Cookery, Nursery School, Welding, Carpentry, Hospital, Electrical, Academic Schools, Adult Literacy, Construction, Poultry, Women's Projects, Plumbing, Agriculture, Orphanage Centre.

### **Church Facilities**

Worship hall seats 800, Children's Hall, disabled access, 3 toilets include disabled toilet, kitchen.

## **Fylde Coast Church Alive**

Pastors David Lalgee and Ken Hobin  
1 Raikes Parade  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 4EY

**Tel:** 01253 752327

**Weekend Services:** Sunday 10.30am including Sunday School

**Weekdays:** Tuesday Evening Dance classes for all levels, Wed. 10am prayer Meeting, 12-2pm Sanctuary Cafe, 2-4pm alternate weeks, Prayer for Israel, 7.30pm Praise and worship, Friday Youth Club

## **Kings Christian Centre**

Mrs Barbara Leonard  
Warley Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 2JU

**Tel:** 01253 500986

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am, 6:00pm

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre available for hire with toilets and parking.

## **Liberty Church Blackpool**

Co-Pastors Jim and Nina Parker  
PO Box 75  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 1DD

**Tel:** 07 9555 97771

**Email:** [admin@libertychurchblackpool.org.uk](mailto:admin@libertychurchblackpool.org.uk)  
[www.libertychurchblackpool.org.uk](http://www.libertychurchblackpool.org.uk)

### **Mission Statement**

- To be an inclusive church that welcomes everyone who celebrates the diversity of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered people and those who affirm them.

- To be a place where people can worship, grow in faith and develop their relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in a supportive environment.
- To be a place where people can question freely and discuss as they work out their own faith journey.
- To be a place where all people and particularly those who may have been marginalised and rejected can be valued and develop their gifts.

**Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To be a people who are able to share their faith with others and enable others to find faith in The Lord Jesus Christ.

**Community Services**

Visiting those who are sick or in need and working with other Christians to provide a meal for homeless people on a weekly basis.

**Church Facilities**

We meet to worship in The Haven Chapel in St. John’s Parish Church in Blackpool town centre which accommodates 50 people. There is disabled access and an accessible toilet, and parking is available in metred places on the street and in nearby public car park. Public liability insurance in place.

**New Life Community Church**

Bob Hargreaves - Minister  
 Queen Victoria Road  
 Blackpool  
 Lancashire  
 FY1 5LF

**Tel:** 01253 400379

**Email:** [info@newlifeblackpool.org](mailto:info@newlifeblackpool.org)  
[www.newlifeblackpool.org](http://www.newlifeblackpool.org)



We are a group of people who have found peace and a relationship with God through a personal faith in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour

**Our Goals are:**

- To develop and grow together as a community of believers, through applying biblical truths to our lives and through worship, prayer and fellowship.
- To enable every believer to develop their own God given gifts and talents to fulfil their potential in God.
- To demonstrate Gods love to Blackpool through the sharing of the gospel and by giving practical help to those with needs in our community
- To have great fun. We believe being a Christian should be the most exciting thing in the world.



## **New Waters Christian Fellowship**

Reverend Alan Drake  
Sharples Hall  
Princess Alexandra Home for the Blind  
Bosworth Place  
Blackpool  
FY4 1SH

**Tel:** 07710131568

**Email:** [newwaters@hotmail.com](mailto:newwaters@hotmail.com)

[www.newwaters.co.uk](http://www.newwaters.co.uk)

**Weekend Services:** Sunday 10:30am

**Weekdays:** 'Deeper Waters' – Alternate Tuesday evenings 7.30pm (house group), 'Reflections' - Thursday night Bible Study 7.30pm (house group)

### **Mission statement**

Ezekiel 34:26; 26 I will cause my people and their homes around my holy hill to be a blessing. And I will send showers, showers of blessings, which will come just when they are needed. (NLT)

To build God's Church as He directs, to be uniquely His, birthed out of the desire to be a relational place where there is freedom to seek the Lord openly as He leads. To be taught from His Divine Word, upholding the principles of discipleship by seeking the Holy Spirit through a personal and profound relationship with Jesus Christ.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

New Waters Christian Fellowship is a place where the Spirit of God moves in power, preparing His people to enter into the realms of the enemy and, through the proclamation of God's Holy Word, brings the victorious message of Jesus Christ to a lost people.

### **Church Facilities**

Hall seats 100, kitchen, disabled access, toilets/disabled toilet, parking for over 50 cars.

## **Rehoboth Christian Centre**

Pastor Andy Hutchinson  
Salt and Light Café  
161 Layton Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY3 8ES

**Tel:** 01253 304210

**Email:** [info@rccblackpool.com](mailto:info@rccblackpool.com)  
[www.rccblackpool.com](http://www.rccblackpool.com)

## **The Well Church**

James Casey  
c/o 47 Burlington Road  
Blackpool  
FY4 1JS

**Tel:** 01253 341648

**Email:** [jandh1@tesco.net](mailto:jandh1@tesco.net) / [info@thewellchurch.co.uk](mailto:info@thewellchurch.co.uk)  
[www.thewellchurch.co.uk](http://www.thewellchurch.co.uk) / [www.newfrontiers.xtn.org](http://www.newfrontiers.xtn.org)

### **Mission statement**

'A church for all who are thirsty for spirit and truth.'

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

An exciting, forward thinking church seeking to know and love Jesus through worship, prayer and applying Gods word into our everyday lives.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To be a place of healing and salvation and to truly love our neighbour in word and actions.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

To pray for Blackpool's regeneration physically and spiritually and support initiatives to make it a better place to live, work, study and visit.

### **Church Facilities**

There is no public meeting place owned by the church but there is a Prayer Room at Burlington Road which holds a maximum of 25 people which is a quiet room that can be booked out for personal prayer and/or worship.

# CHRISTIAN - BAPTIST

## Tabernacle Baptist Church

Reverend Vincent Tracey  
2 Springfield Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 1QL

**Tel:** 01253 721738

**Email:** [vptracey@msn.com](mailto:vptracey@msn.com)



**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am,  
11:00am (Sunday School), 6:30pm, then Fellowship Group.

**Weekdays:** Wed 7:30pm Bible study and Prayer meeting

### Church Facilities

Accessible, Hearing Loop, Toilets/Disabled Toilet

### Community Facilities

Accessible Church Hall with hearing loop available for use by church members and visitors

# **CHRISTIAN – BAPTIST (B.U.G.B)**

## **Forest Gate Baptist Church**

Forest Gate  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY3 9AW

**Tel:** 01253 390926

**Email:** gilliansummers@btinternet.com or ross.wilson@homecall.co.uk  
www.baptist-blackpool.org.uk

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am, 6:30pm

**Weekdays:** Midweek Fellowship see notice board and website

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

“Building here for the Future of Community, Church and Kingdom”

### **Church Facilities**

Disabled access including lift to all floors and hearing loop, 9 dedicated church car park spaces including 3 disabled spaces and other parking on public roads, upper and lower floor disabled toilets, child changing room facility, fully fitted modern kitchen.

### **Community Services**

Contact – 01253 885607

### **Community Facilities**

New sanctuary seats 150 max. and is fitted out for media presentations of all kinds, with sound provision to the whole of the premises, the downstairs hall can accommodate 100 maximum and can be divided into two sections, the meeting room can accommodate 12 seated. All groups hiring building/facilities must take on their own liability.

# **CHRISTIAN – BAPTIST (INDEPENDENT)**

## **Blackpool Christian Fellowship**

Reverend Steve Kemp  
Community Resource Centre  
29 - 35 Ripon Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 4DY

**Tel:** 01253 291721

**Email:** [bcfoffice@tesco.net](mailto:bcfoffice@tesco.net)

[www.blackpool-cf.co.uk](http://www.blackpool-cf.co.uk)

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am and 6:30pm – Children and teenagers  
– Sun 10:30am youth and children’s cell groups.

**Weekdays:** Mon 7:30pm Fylde Youth Alpha and Youth Cell (12-18’s), Tues 7:45pm Ladies Dance Group, Tues 7:45pm Men’s Fellowship, Wed 8:00pm cell groups in various locations, Thurs 10:00am “Rendezvous” (Ladies).

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To announce and advance the kingdom of God and to gather the church as a loving community of worshipping, learning and serving disciples as a means to this end.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To demonstrate and release God’s love in a practical fashion, contributing towards the establishment of a more caring and helping community.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

To seek to raise moral awareness and to contribute towards making Blackpool a better place to live, work, study and visit.

### **Church Facilities**

Disabled access, disabled toilet, car parking at weekends on the college car park, Worship Hall seats 200 and is fitted for media presentations, Marmalade Bar youth room seats 20–30, Noah’s Ark Children’s Room seats 40, Lounge seats 30-40, gents and ladies toilets, church office and baby changing facilities.

Public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

## **Victory Baptist Church**

Reverend William Smith  
St Anne's Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 2AP

**Tel:** 01253 406030

**Email:** BCRESSELL@aol.com

**Weekend Services:** Sun 11:00am, 6:30pm, Sunday School 11:00am

**Weekdays:** Children's Club, alternate Mondays 7:00pm

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, Parking

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre available for hire with parking

# **CHRISTIAN – BIBLE PATTERN CHURCH FELLOWSHIP**

## **Bible Pattern Pentecostal Church**

Shaw Road  
Off Lytham Road  
Blackpool

**Tel:** 01253 345196

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am Worship, 2:30pm Sunday School,  
6:30pm Evening Gospel/Holy Communion

**Weekdays:** Mon Prayer Meeting, Wed Bible study

### **Church Facilities**

Disabled Access, toilets including disabled and children's toilets, hearing loop, parking

### **Community Services**

Hospital visits, care homes, monthly service at Cherry Tree Home  
Contact – Mr David Davies, Tel 01253 403749

# CHRISTIAN – CHURCH OF ENGLAND

## All Saints

Reverend Peter Nunn  
North Drive  
Thornton-Cleveleys  
Lancashire  
FY5 3HT

**Tel:** 01253 851524

**Email:** [anchorsholme@ukonline.co.uk](mailto:anchorsholme@ukonline.co.uk)

<http://www.blackburn.anglican.org/anchorsholme>

## Church Facilities

Church seats 250, 2 Disabled Parking spaces, 2 toilets including disabled toilet

## All Hallows Church

Reverend Simon Cox, Rector  
86 All Hallows Road  
Bispham  
Blackpool  
FY2 0AY

**Tel:** 01253 351886

**Email:** [drsjcox@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:drsjcox@yahoo.co.uk)



**Weekend Services:** 8:00am (Traditional), 9:30am (Modern Worship, Young Church for 4-16s and Creche), 11:00am (Traditional), 6:30pm (Evening Worship), 8:00pm Late Sunday Discussion Group for 16+ to young adult.

**Weekdays:** Thursday 11:00am Holy Communion (Traditional), M4J – Monday 4 Jesus, 4:00pm for 1 hour (Modern Worship for families) and 1st and 3rd Wednesday in the month 'Free and Easy Service with Bible Study', (1st Modern and 3rd More Traditional).

## Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group

Bispham All Hallows exists to know Jesus and so to show Jesus

## Mission/aims and priorities for your local community

Demonstrate the power of Christ's love by deed and action, within and beyond the church fellowship and to provide Christ centred pastoral care and occasional offices for parish residents and church members.



## **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

To bring to the attention and provide further information to our congregation so they may get involved if they wish.

### **Church Facilities**

Church seats 350 max, disabled access, hearing loop, large print service sheets available during services, 5 disabled parking spaces, 30 other spaces, toilets/disabled toilets, Barn, Stable and Shippon have fully equipped kitchen, Wardens have kettle point, sink, cups and saucers.

### **Community Services**

Care Home visits, Holy Communion, Services to local primary schools, Mums and Toddler Group, Bible Study and Housegroups for all ages, Fellowship lunches and various Fellowship Groups (including Line Dancing, Junior and Adult Badminton and Band), Boys Brigade, Girls Brigade, Youth Club and 6-8 Kids Clubs ongoing throughout the year.

### **Community Facilities**

Barn is a large spacious room which can accommodate 200 seated, Stable is a medium size spacious room which can accommodate 70 seated, Wardens Meeting Room can accommodate 30 seated and Shippon Meeting Room can accommodate 25 seated. Public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

## **Christ Church with All Saints Church**

Reverend Peter Warren  
Palatine Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 4BT

**Tel:** 01253 391235

**Email:** revpwarren@blueyonder.co.uk

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am (crèche) Learning Groups for children, 6:30pm

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To know Christ and make him known

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To demonstrate Christian care to those who live in our local area and to have an active role with our local community.

### **Church Facilities**

Palatine Road Church seat 400 people, disabled access including mobile ramp at both buildings and hearing loop system, 12 parking spaces at church, 12 parking spaces at hall, mens/ladies toilets in church, 1 large downstairs toilet and upstairs toilets in hall, small kitchen at both buildings.

### **Community Facilities**

Small lounge room which seats 30 people, Park Hall Road (98 Park Road) has an upstairs hall which accommodates 50 people and a downstairs hall which accommodates 50 people and a small meeting room which holds 20 people. No public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities,

## **Holy Cross Church of England Church**

Father Stuart Edwards  
Holy Cross Vicarage  
388 Central Drive  
Blackpool  
FY1 6LA

**Tel:** 01253 341263

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am Solemn Mass (Sunday School and Creche meet at the same time)

**Weekdays:** 10:00am except Tuesday when Mass is at 7:00pm

### **Mission:**

We rejoice to be part of God's one, holy, catholic and apostolic church within the Church of England. We seek therefore to promote the unity of creation; to be and to do what God requires; to include in our fellowship all who will come and to share with others what we have ourselves received.

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, Hearing Loop, Toilets/Disabled Toilets

### **Community Services**

Dancing groups, carers and toddlers groups, Alcoholics Anonymous, Spanish lessons, keep fit for over 50s, groups for older people, craft group, cheerleaders group, children's club, branch of Mothers Union, dog training session and a weekly soup kitchen.

Parishioners are involved with the work of the BAY Housing Association and the Kensington Trust, both of which work with youngsters facing accommodation and other difficulties, Reverend Kevan Thorn is involved with the Streetlife Project.

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Parish Centre with large hall holding up to 100 people, smaller hall holding 30 people and a small meeting room available for occasional use or regular community groups.

Contact – Fr. Stuart Edwards, Tel 01253 341263

### **Holy Trinity (Church of England)**

Canon Dick Cartmel  
92 Watson Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 2DE

**Tel:** 01253 347140

**Weekend Services:** Sun 8:00am Holy Communion, 10:30am week (1) Parish Communion, week (2) Family service, week (3) Family Communion, week (4) Morning Worship

**Weekdays:** Thursday 11:00pm Holy Communion, Prayer Groups Mon, Tues, Fri.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

The people of god to serve all gods people

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

Service, compassion and inclusion

### **Church Facilities**

Church accommodates 1000, Disabled Access, 12 car parking spaces, new car park currently being constructed, Church and hall has toilet and disabled toilet, Hall has kitchen and a kitchen is currently being built in the church.

### **Community Facilities**

Church Hall accommodating 250 with 2 public rooms available for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

Contact – Mr M Taylor, Tel 01253 316177

## **St Anne's Parish Church**

Reverend Anthony Bartlett  
St Anne's Clergy House  
Salisbury Avenue  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY2 0PR

**Tel:** 01253 353900

**Email:** baressett@aol.com

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:00am (crèche), 1st Sun 6:30pm

**Weekdays:** As advertised

### **Church Facilities**

Church seats 170, Disabled access including hearing loop, toilets include disabled and children's toilet

### **Community Services**

Local school visits, Parish visiting  
Contact – Secretary Mrs J Copp

### **Community Facilities**

Parish Centre with hearing loop and disabled access, parking and toilets and baby changing facilities available for hire.

Contact – Rev. Bartlett, Tel 01253 3539

## **St Christopher's Church**

Father Graham Piper  
Hawes Side Lane  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 5AH

**Tel:** 01253 697937

**Weekend Services:** Sun 8:30am, 10:00am (crèche), 6:00pm

### **Church Facilities**

Church seats 200, Toilets/Disabled Toilets, hearing loop, 3 disabled parking spaces

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with parking, toilets and disabled toilets and a hearing loop available for hire.

## **St John's Church**

Reverend Michael Manley  
St. John's Vestry  
Cedar Square  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 1BP

**Tel:** 01253 294451

**Email:** admin@stjohnbpl.fsnet.  
co.uk

www.stjohnsblackpool.org.uk



**Weekend Services:** Sun 8:30am,  
10:00am, Sat 10:00am

**Weekdays:** Mon, Tues and Thurs 12:15pm, Wed 10:00pm, Fri 1:30pm

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To proclaim Gods love for all

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To serve the local residents and town centre users, to serve the council and town and to support the disadvantaged and marginalised

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

To support the regeneration of the town through Christian worship, community resource and conference facilities

### **Church Facilities**

Disabled Access, loop system, kitchen accessible for smaller wheelchairs, parking for 100+ cars, 6 toilets including 2 disabled toilets, full catering kitchen.

### **Community Services**

Hospital and Care Home visiting, Chaplaincy Royal Navy/ATC: Town Hall, Theatres: St John's School  
Contact – Curate Rev. Sandra Purvis

### **Community Facilities**

Community Centre main area accommodates 450, and has an all age training suite (accommodates 90), an assembly room (accommodates 60), and the Haven (accommodates 50).

Traditional Area accommodates 180 and has a Heritage centre base which accommodates 10.

Lobby accommodates 20 and Counselling Room accommodates 2.

Accessible, disabled and children's toilets, hearing loop and baby changing

facilities with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities  
Contact – Robina Smith, Tel 01253 294451

## **St Mark's Layton**

Reverend Stephen Brook  
St. Mark's Vicarage  
163 Kingscote Drive  
Layton  
Blackpool  
FY3 8EH

**Tel:** 01253 312895

**Email:** stephen.brook2@ntlworld.com

**Weekend Services:** Sun 9:15am, 11:00am

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

We are a community of Christ's disciples in Layton and our mission is to:

- Love God – by focusing on Jesus and the Bible by putting worship and prayer at the centre of our community life
- Love our Christian family – by being a caring, inclusive community and helping one another to “grow up into Christ”
- Love neighbour – by our service and evangelism in the local community and beyond

### **Church Facilities**

Church worship area accommodates 250, disabled access, loop system and lift, parking for 12 cars, toilets including disabled toilet, fully equipped modern kitchen, baby changing facilities.

### **Community Services**

Café on the Hill, Parish Team visiting Care Homes, hospitals etc

### **Community Facilities**

The hall has a large, accessible community area accommodating 100 people which has limited availability for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities. Contact 01253 392895.

## **St Mary's Church**

Reverend Clive Lord  
St Mary's Vicarage  
59 Stoneyhill Ave  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 1PR

**Tel:** 01253 342713

### **Community Services**

Contact – Secretary Mrs J Summergill

## **St Michael and All Angels**

Reverend Nicholas Heale  
St Michaels Vicarage  
Calvert Place  
Blackpool  
Lancashire

**Tel:** 01253 397755

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:00am

Community Services  
Contact – Secretary Mr P Bennet

## **St Nicholas**

Father Graham Piper  
Common Edge Road  
Marton Moss  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 5DL

**Tel:** 01253 697937

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:00am

### **Community Services**

Contact – Curate Rev. David Arnold, Tel 01253 768545

### **Community Facilities**

Contact – Secretary Mrs Cartwright

## **St Paul's Church (Marton)**

Reverend Christopher Wren  
Honister Avenue  
Marton  
Blackpool  
FY3 9PF

**Tel:** 01253 692047

**Email:** WrenPaul1@aol.com  
www.stpaulsmarton.co.uk



**Weekend Services:** Sun 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am

**Weekdays:** Daily 'Drop-in' 9:30am – 1:30pm

### **Church Facilities**

Church seats 300, wheelchair access, hearing loop, toilets

### **Community Services**

Contact – Deacon Rev. Ann Wren, Tel 01253 762679

### **Community Facilities**

Church Hall/Community Centre available for hire and Baines Endowed School Hall

Contact – Olive Harrison, Tel 01253 696236

## **St Paul's Worship Centre (North Shore)**

Reverend Jan Shaw  
Egerton Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 2NP

**Tel:** 01253 350007

**Weekend Services:** 10:30am (Holy Communion 1st, 3rd and 5th Sun  
Family Communion and Parade 2nd Sun 4th Sun Family Communion.  
6:30pm 2nd Sunday

### **Church Facilities**

Church seats 180, wheelchair Access, hearing loop, toilets/disabled toilet

### **Community Services**

Care Home and Hospital visits, Communion to housebound, Chaplaincy cover  
Contact – Lay Reader Mrs A Kershaw



### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with disabled toilet, hearing loop and baby changing facilities available for hire.

Contact – Jan Shaw, Tel 01253 350007

### **St Peter's South Shore**

Reverend Simon Cox

190 Lytham Road

Blackpool

Lancashire

FY1 6DJ

**Tel:** 01253 341263

**Weekend Services:** Sun 11:15am: Sunday School

**Weekdays:** Wed. Holy Communion 11:00am: Holy Days as announced

### **Community Services**

Contact – Curate Rev. Racheal Wadey

### **Community Facilities**

Church Hall/Community Centre

### **St Stephen's on the Cliffs**

Reverend Andrew Sage

The Vicarage

St Stephen's Avenue

Blackpool

FY2 9RB

**Tel:** 01253 351484

**Weekend Services:** Sun 9:00am, 10:30am (crèche), 6:00pm

### **Church Facilities**

Seating 400, Wheelchair access, Toilets/Disabled toilets

### **Community Facilities**

Church Hall/Community Centre available for hire

Contact – 01253 351484

## St Thomas' Church

Reverend George Fisher  
80 Devonshire Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY3 8AF

**Tel:** 01253 392544

**Email:** george@stthomaschurch.co.uk

www.stthomaschurch.co.uk

**Weekend Services:** Sun 9:30am,  
11:15am (crèche), 6:00pm, 8:45pm,  
1st Sun 3:30pm for people with  
learning disabilities  
Weekdays: Wed 11:15am

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

Sharing Gods Love

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

Strengthening the local community by providing a safe and welcoming environment for community projects and involvement

### **Church Facilities**

Church seats approximately 200, disabled access, service and song books available in large print, hearing loop, car park for 12 cars, Church has 2 toilets and 1 disabled toilet, small kitchen in church.

### **Community Services**

Chaplain-Devonshire Road Hospital, Care Home visits, monthly service at Spencer Court.

Contact – Captain David Thorp (Church Army), Tel 01253 253178

### **Community Facilities**

Parish Centre has upstairs hall, ground floor hall and basement snooker room, fully equipped kitchen, hearing loop system on the ground floor, 3 toilets including 1 disabled toilet and 2 toilets in the Basement.

Available for hire with Public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

Contact – 01253 392544



## **St Wilfrid**

Reverend Phillip Hudson  
St Wilfrid's Vicarage  
8 Langdale Road  
Blackpool  
FY4 4RT

**Tel:** 01253 761532

Weekend Services: Sun 10:00am, 6:00pm

Weekdays: Wed Eucharist 10:00am, Saints Days as announced

### **Church Facilities**

Seating 250, accessible, hearing loop, toilets, parking

### **Community Services**

Local Care Home visits, Hospital visits on request

Contact – Secretary Mrs B Worsley

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible church/community hall with parking and disabled toilet available for hire.

Contact – Secretary Mrs B Worsley

## **CHRISTIAN – CONGREGATIONALIST**

### **Bethesda Congregational Church**

Pastor Augusta Gibrill  
Lune Grove  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 5PL

**Tel:** 01253 401767 / 01253 348261



### **Weekend Services:** Sunday

10:45am, 4:00pm (Winter) 6:00pm (Summer) Junior Church 10:30am

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To be alive and used by the local community in the name of Jesus and to be relevant to our area

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

As an integrated part of our locality

## **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

Involvement in what is happening

### **Church Facilities**

Church worship area accommodates 140, disabled access, ramp into hall, access through hall into sanctuary and induction loop in sanctuary, street parking only, no restrictions on all surrounding streets, 4 toilets including 1 disabled toilet, kitchen/catering facilities.

### **Community Services**

Visits to hospice, college

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall (with stage) accommodating 120 with disabled/ children's toilets and baby changing facilities available for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

## **Victoria Congregationalist Church**

Pastor Bryn Gowbridge  
42a Newton Drive  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY3 8BY

**Tel:** 01253 397997

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am, monthly – 6:30pm

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, toilets/disabled/children's toilets, parking

### **Community Services**

Hospital, Care Home, home visits  
Contact – Pastor Bryn Gowbridge, Tel 01253 397004

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with parking, disabled toilet and baby changing facilities available for hire.  
Contact – Eileen Thompson, Tel 01253 397004

# **CHRISTIAN – METHODIST**

## **Bispham Methodist Church**

Reverend Malcolm Maymand  
Beaufort Avenue  
Bispham  
Blackpool  
FY2 9HQ

**Tel:** 01253 500771

## **Highfield Methodist Church**

Reverend David Howarth  
Scarsdale Avenue  
South Shore  
Blackpool  
01253 341017  
revdhowarth@aol.com

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To receive, proclaim, live and witness to the Christian Gospel and to introduce to, and nurture in this Gospel people of all ages

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To offer worship and teaching in the Christian Gospel to people of all ages and to offer facilities for meeting as appropriate

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

To contribute as far as possible to the spiritual development and well-being of the whole community

### **Church Facilities**

Traditional worship area seats approximately 250, disabled access, parking for up to 8 cars, 5 toilets including 1 disabled toilet, modern kitchen with domestic style facilities.

### **Community Facilities**

Modern hall with stage seats approximately 250, 3 classrooms accommodating approximately 20 each with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

## **Lindale Methodist Church**

Reverend David Howarth  
Dorrit Road  
Off Highfield Road  
Blackpool

**Tel:** 01253 341017

**Email:** revdhowarth@aol.com

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am, 6:30pm

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To receive, proclaim, live and witness to the Christian Gospel and to introduce to and nurture in this Gospel people of all ages

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To offer worship and teaching in the Christian Gospel to people of all ages and to offer facilities for meetings as appropriate

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

To contribute as far as possible to the spiritual development and well-being of the whole community

### **Church Facilities**

Modern dual-purpose worship area seating approximately 120, disabled access, parking for 20 cars, 7 toilets including 1 disabled toilet, modern kitchen with industrial cooker.

### **Community Services**

Care Home and hospital visits, food parcels for homeless

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall (with stage) seating approximately 120, classroom seating approximately 15, Lounge seating approximately 25, with disabled/children's toilets and baby changing facilities available for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

Contact – Mr Peter Nuttall, Tel 01253 765144

## **Marton Methodist Church**

Deacon Judith Wray / Reverend Ruth Charlesworth  
(Deacon Judith Wray / Reverend Beverley Ramsden after August 2006)  
Midgeland Road  
Marton  
Blackpool  
FY4 5HL

**Tel:** 01253 763146

**Email:** judithwray@breathemail.net

**Weekend Services:** Sun morning worship

**Weekdays:** Mon evening prayer meeting

**Church Facilities**

Accessible, hearing loop, toilets/disabled/children's

**Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with parking, disabled toilet and baby changing facilities available for hire.

Contact 01253 290196

**Mereside Methodist Church**

Deacon Judith Wray / Reverend Ruth Charlesworth

(Deacon Judith Wray / Reverend Beverley Ramsden after August 2006)

Grizedale Road

Marton

Blackpool

FY4 4TL

**Tel:** 01253 763146

**Email:** judithwray@breathemail.net

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:00am 10:30am Monthly Family Worship

**Church Facilities**

Accessible, Toilets/disabled toilets

**Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with disabled toilet and baby changing facilities available for hire.

Contact – Mr Dixon, Tel 01253 695324

**New Central Methodist Church**

Reverend Barbara Duchars

18 Adelaide Street West

Blackpool

Lancashire

FY1 4SR

**Tel:** 01253 624836

**Email:** revduchars@aol.com

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am, On the Prom (July&August) 3rd Sat for

people with learning disabilities

**Weekdays:** Fri 10am-11am Prayers Bible Study 11-12noon, Wed Shoppers  
Coffee Bar

### **Community Facilities**

Contact – Mr Stuart Furnival, Tel 01253 290196

## **North Shore Methodist Church**

Reverend Barbara Duchars  
Dickson Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 2AP

**Tel:** 01253 294640

**Email:** revduchars@aol.com

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am, 8:15pm

**Weekdays:** 1st Wed 12:30pm Holy Communion

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, hearing loop, limited parking

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with toilets/disabled toilet, baby  
changing facilities and limited parking available for hire.

Contact – Mr Stuart Harvey, Tel 01253 299306

## **Salem Methodist Church**

Deacon Judith Wray / Reverend Ruth Charlesworth  
(Deacon Judith Wray / Reverend Beverley Ramsden after August 2006)  
Westcliffe Drive  
Little Layton  
Blackpool  
FY3 7DZ

**Tel:** 01253 319273

**Email:** judithwray@breathemail.net



## **Springfield Greenlands Methodist Church**

Reverend Malcolm Maymand  
Bispham Road  
Blackpool  
Lancs  
FY2 0LB

**Tel:** 01253 500771

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am Morning Worship with Sunday School  
6:30pm Evening Worship

**Weekdays:** 2nd and 4th Tues 7:30pm Midweek worship 3rd Tues 7:30pm  
Wesley Guild

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, hearing loop, toilets/disabled/children's toilets, parking

### **Community Services**

General visiting as required

Contact – Local Preachers Mr D Simpson, Mr H Postlethwaite

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall with disabled toilets available for hire.

Contact – Mr J Stewart, Tel 01253 593652

## **Waterloo Road Methodist Church**

Deacon Judith Wray / Reverend Ruth Charlesworth  
(Deacon Judith Wray / Reverend Beverley Ramsden after August 2006)  
Waterloo Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 4BJ

**Tel:** 01253 392720

**Email:** [judithwray@breathemail.net](mailto:judithwray@breathemail.net)

Weekend Services: Sun 10:30am, 6:30pm

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, toilets/disabled/children's toilets, parking

### **Community Services**

Hospital/Pastoral visiting

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with toilets/disabled toilets and baby changing facilities available for hire.

# **CHRISTIAN – PENTECOSTAL (ELIM)**

## **Clifton Christian Centre**

Pastor Simon Page  
Langdale Road  
Blackpool  
Lancs  
FY4 4RR

**Tel:** 01253 691600  
[www.cliftonelim.info](http://www.cliftonelim.info)

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, hearing loop, toilets/disabled/children's toilets, parking

### **Community Services**

Hospital and home visits, community outreach

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with disabled/children's toilets, car/disabled parking, hearing loop and baby changing facilities available for hire.

# **CHRISTIAN – ROMAN CATHOLIC**

## **Christ the King Church**

Reverend Robert Horn  
Gateside Drive  
Grange Park  
Blackpool  
FY3 7PL

**Tel/Fax:** 01253 391002

**Email:** bobhornctk@hotmail.co.uk

**Weekend Services:** Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 10:30am

**Weekdays (but can vary due to funerals, etc):** 9:00am Morning Prayer  
9:15 Mass

**Faith Contact:** Rev. Robert Horn

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, hearing loop, toilet accessible to all and baby changer.

### **Community Facilities**

Social Centre with games room, bar lounge (inc. no-smoking area), toilets accessible to all, large concert/function room available for hire for parties etc, contact Lisa Whiteside 01253 394441.

Also separate Parish Hall/Community Centre with parking used for meetings, group activities, nursery and children's parties etc, contact 01253 391002.

### **Community Services**

Visiting Devonshire Road Hospital, Crown Lodge, Fylde Coast Hospital, Hoyle Resource Centre and Layton Lodge.

Christ the King Catholic Primary School, with Nursery, 01253 395985

Also in Parish: Convent of the Holy Child Jesus Sisters, 01253 392047.

## **Holy Family Church**

Father Valentine Farrell - Reverend  
Links Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 2RU

**Tel:** 01253 351258

[www.holy-family.org.uk](http://www.holy-family.org.uk)

**Our Mission:**

We have a Catholic (Roman Catholic) population of about 1250 people forming about 10% of the population of this area. Between 250 and 300 of our people are regularly at Sunday Mass. During the holiday season we also serve the needs of many visitors as a large number of hotels are located within the parish boundaries. Until fairly recently we saw ourselves largely as a community catering for the spiritual needs of the Catholics of this area and our visitors.

These days we are becoming more aware of our mission to the wider world and we are trying hard to develop that side of our thinking. Rather than produce a Mission Statement that is impressive but largely ignored, we are aiming for something achievable. This is where we would like Christians from anywhere round the world to help us. If having read this, you would think you can help us in our Mission, please get in touch.

**Church Facilities**

Accessible, hearing loop, toilets/disabled toilet

**Community Services**

Contact – Mrs E Davies

**Community Facilities**

Church Hall/Community Centre available for hire

Contact – Mrs Quail, Tel 01253 357911

**Our Lady of the Assumption**

Noel Pate - Reverend  
125 Common Edge Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 5DF

**Tel:** 01253 832958

**Email:** noelpate@aol.com

**Weekend Services:** Sat Vigil Mass 6:00pm, Sunday 10:30am

**Weekdays:** As announced, Holy Days 10:00am & 7:30pm

**Church Facilities**

Accessible, hearing loop

## **Sacred Heart**

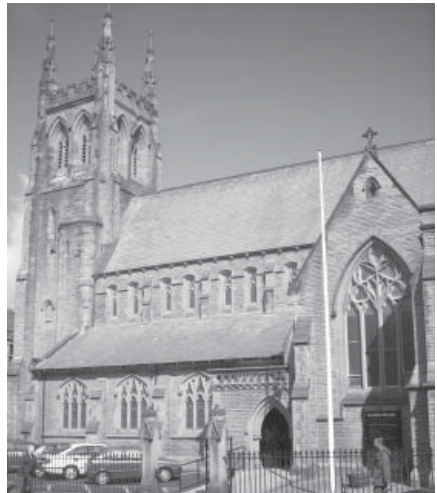
Canon Edmond Carey  
17 Talbot Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 1LB

**Tel:** 01253 620964

**Email:** [epcarey@sacredheart.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:epcarey@sacredheart.freeserve.co.uk)

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To provide a Centre of Prayer and Peace to the people and visitors of Blackpool and as such our Church is open every day from 07:30 to 17:00 in Winter and from 07:30 to 19:30 in Summer. Also to provide food and clothing to the poor and needy at our Church House.



### **Church Facilities**

Church holds 1000 and is DDA compliant with ramp access, hearing loop and disabled toilet, parking is limited, public parking in Queen Street and on Talbot Road for the disabled.

### **Community Services**

Catholic Stage Guild Chaplaincy, Older people  
Contact – Reverend Charles, Crooks, Atkinson or Greaves, Tel 01253 620964.

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall which holds 1000, with full kitchen facilities and parking, available to hire for a small fee with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

## **St Bernadette's Church**

Father Stephen Pearson  
26 All Hallows Road  
Bispham  
Blackpool  
FY2 0AS

**Tel:** 01253 352587

**Weekend Services:** Sat Vigil 6:30pm, Sun 9:30am, 11:00am, 6:30pm,  
Confessions Sat 11:00am to 12noon, 6:00pm to 6:20pm, Sun 6:00pm to

6:20pm, Holy Days – Vigil 9:30am, 7:00pm

**Weekdays:** Mon to Sat 9:00am, plus Tues 12noon, Thurs & Fri 7:00pm,  
Benediction Tues 7:00pm with Novena

### **Church Facilities**

Disabled access and toilets, hearing loop system, on-site parking off All Hallows Road.

### **Community Services**

Local Care Home visits and St. Winifred's House

### **Community Facilities**

Church Hall available.

Contact – Eileen MacCormac, Tel 01253 595580

## **St Cuthbert's Church**

Father Bernard Woods  
53 Crystal Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 6BS

**Tel:** 01253 346471

**Email:** [st.cuthbert@southshore53.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:st.cuthbert@southshore53.fsnet.co.uk)

**Weekend Services:** Sat Vigil 7:00pm, Sun 10:15am, 11:30am

Confessions Sat 10:30am – 11:00am, 5-5:15pm, 6:30pm – 6:45pm

**Weekdays:** Holy Days 10:00am, 7:00pm, Weekdays mass 10:00am (Thurs 7:00pm)

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible/disabled access, hearing loop system

### **Community Services**

Visits South Shore Hospital, 50 Care Homes

Contact – Rev Bernard Woods, Permanent Deacon, Rev Paul Warley

## **St John Vianney RC Church**

Reverend Anthony Walsh  
26 Glastonbury Avenue  
Marton  
Blackpool  
FY1 6RD

**Tel:** 01253 762227

www.sjv.org.uk

**Weekend Services:** Sat Vigil 5:30pm, Sun 9:00am, 11:00pm, 5:30pm  
Confessions Sat 11:30am-12noon, 5-5:25pm

**Weekdays:** Weekdays Mass 9:00am, Holy Days 9:00am, 7:00pm

**Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

Pastoral care of Roman Catholic Parish

**Church Facilities**

Disabled access, DDA compliant, parking for 40 cars, toilets include disabled toilet

**Community Services**

Hospital and home visits, member of Churches together in Marton  
Contact – Permanent Deacon Rev Thomas Bland

**Community Facilities**

Accessible Parish Centre with children's toilets, parking, and tea and coffee making facilities available for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

Contact – B Woodhouse, Tel 01253 762227

**St Kentigern's Catholic Church**

Reverend John Foulkes  
St Kentigern's  
25a Newton Drive  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY3 8BT

**Tel:** 01253 393439

**Email:** stkents@aol.com

www.stkentigerns.co.uk

**Weekend Services:** Sat Vigil 6:00pm, Sun 10:30am Confessions Sat  
11:30am–12noon, 5:30-6:00pm

**Weekdays:** Weekdays Mass 10:15am Holy Days Vigil Mass 7:00pm & 10:00am

St Kentigern's is a community of faith witnessing to the presence of Christ and proclaiming his Good News.

We are a worshipping community celebrating meaningful Liturgy.

Although a local church we are part of the Blackpool Deanery, the Diocese of Lancaster and the Universal Church.

We are a sign of Christ's presence in this area of Blackpool welcoming all to share in our parish life, church, school and Parish Centre.

Conscious of our human failings we acknowledge our need for continuous reconciliation and forgiveness.

**Church Facilities**

Church holds 400 people, hearing loop, disabled access, parking for 20 cars, toilets/disabled/children's toilet, bar area

**Community Services**

Local Care Home/home visits

**Community Facilities**

Accessible Church/Community Centre with toilets/children's toilets available for hire (with St Kentigern's School) with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

Contact – Mrs Evans, Tel 01253 394339

**St Margaret's Clitherow & Chapel of Ease**

Father Bernard Woods  
575 Lytham Road  
Blackpool  
Lancashire

**Tel:** 01253 346471

**Weekend Services:** Sun 9:00am

**Weekdays:** Mon-Thurs 9:30am. Fri 5:20pm. Confessions: Friday 5:45pm.

Holy Days Vigil 7:00pm, 9:30am

**Church Facilities**

Disabled Access



## **St Monica RC Church**

Reverend Anthony Walsh  
St Monica's Way  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 4FA

**Tel:** 01253 762227

**Weekend Services:** Vigil Mass 6:00pm, Sun 9:00am, 10:30am.  
Confessions Sat before and after 6:00pm mass.

**Weekdays:** Tues-Fri 9:30am. Holy Days Vigil 7:00pm, 9:30am on the date

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

Pastoral care of RC Parish

### **Church Facilities**

Church accommodates 100, hearing loop, toilet/disabled/children's toilets, disabled access, parking for 10 cars, tea and coffee making facility

### **Community Services**

Visiting Trinity Hospice, Bispham Rehab. Unit

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible Church Hall/Community Centre with hearing loop and parking available for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

# **CHRISTIAN – SALVATIONIST**

## **Salvation Army**

Major John Luce  
Dorset Street  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 3BB

**Tel:** 01253 348347/341211

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am

**Weekdays:** Tues 9:00am Prayer meeting, 1st Tues Ladies Fellowship 7:00pm, 2nd Tues Mens Fellowship 7:30pm, Wed Cameo Club for the over 50's 2:00pm, Wed Bible Study 7:30pm

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, modern building, toilets/disabled toilet, baby-changing facilities

### **Community Services**

Visiting Care Homes, hospitals, Drop-in Centre and Table Top Sale Tues 10:00am, Luncheon Club Wed 12noon, Mums and Tots Thurs 10:00am – 12noon, Rainbows Mon 5:30pm, Brownies 6:00pm

Contact – Major Maureen Luce

### **Community Facilities**

Contact Margaret Sayle, Highfield Road Charity Shop

## **The Salvation Army - Blackpool Citadel**

Major Geoff Chape - Minister  
Raikes Parade  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 4EL

**Tel:** 01253 626114

**Email:** [geoffrey.chape@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:geoffrey.chape@salvationarmy.org.uk)

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:30am, 4:30pm

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To provide a relevant and enthusiastic worshipping community

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To offer support and practical help to the vulnerable community in Blackpool

**Church Facilities**

Main Church holds 450 people and offers modern media, secondary worship hall accommodates 80 people, dining room accommodates 60 people, training suite accommodates 40 people, disabled access at front entrance, lift, 30 parking spaces including disabled spaces, 12 toilets including disabled and children's toilets, 2 kitchens, hearing loop.

**Community Services**

Care Home and hospital visits, Homeless Adults Project, Day pre-school, Health Clinic.

**Community Facilities**

Accessible Community Centre (no smoking or alcohol) with disabled/ children's toilets, parking, hearing loop and baby changing facilities available for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

Contact – Mr Roy Powers, Centre Manager

# **CHRISTIAN - SCIENTIST**

## **First Church of Christ, Scientist**

135 Whitegate Drive  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY3 9BU

**Tel:** 01253 300337

[www.cschurches.org.uk](http://www.cschurches.org.uk)

[www.csrr.org.uk](http://www.csrr.org.uk)

[www.spirituality.com](http://www.spirituality.com)

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To maintain Church Services, Sunday School classes and Wednesday Evening Testimony Meetings.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

In addition to the above, we also maintain a Christian Science Reading Room which is open to the public. We have weekly and monthly magazines with articles on Spirituality and reports of Healing through Prayer and cassettes and CDs. We also have Bible Lesson plans and host lectures for the general public to which we invite Christian Science Practitioners (individuals who are involved full-time in the Healing Practice of Christian Science, healing through prayer).

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

Involvement in Faith Forums in Blackpool and for Lancashire.

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible Church Auditorium can hold approximately 70 people, Sunday School can invite approximately 20 children including nursery age, further rooms are used for committee meetings, board meetings and members meetings. On-street parking available on Whitegate Drive and side-streets nearby. Church is only available for meetings regarding Christian Science.

# CHRISTIAN - UNITARIAN

## Blackpool Unitarian Church

Reverend Ray Walder - Minister  
Lytham Road/Thames Road  
South Shore  
Blackpool  
Lancashire FY4 1EB

**Tel:** 01772 633045

**Email:** raywalder2@aol.com

[www.blackpool-unitarians.org.uk](http://www.blackpool-unitarians.org.uk)

**Weekend Services:** Sunday 10:45am

**Weekdays:** Wed 7:00pm Contemplative Communion

If you would like to contact us about anything Church related, in the first instance please email the minister, Revd. Dr. Ray Walder at [raywalder2@aol.com](mailto:raywalder2@aol.com)

# **CHRISTIAN - UNITED REFORMED CHURCH**

## **Bispham United Reformed Church**

Reverend Duncan Tuck  
Cavendish Road  
Bispham  
Blackpool  
FY2 9JR

**Tel:** 01253 358131

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am

### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, hearing loop, toilets/disabled/children's toilets, parking

### **Community Facilities**

2 x accessible Church Halls/Community Centres with toilets/children's toilets and parking available for hire

## **Marton United Reformed Church**

Reverend Chris Weddle  
Preston Old Road  
Marton  
Blackpool  
FY3 9UR

**Tel:** 01253 300720

**Email:** RevChrisWeddle@aol.com

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am & 6:30pm

**Weekdays:** Festival Services by notification

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

Sharing the Christian Gospel

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

Caring for Gods people

### **Church Facilities**

Church seats 200, Community Hall ancillary rooms, disabled access, parking for 10 cars and off street parking, 4 toilets in church, kitchen, hearing loop

### **Community Facilities**

Accessible hall with 6 toilets including disabled toilets and with parking available for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities depending on activity.

Contact – Secretary Ann Jones

### **St George's United Reformed Church**

Reverend Chris Weddle - Minister

Plymouth Road

Blackpool

Lancashire

FY3 7JB

**Tel:** 01253 300720

**Email:** RevChrisWeddle@aol.com

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am, 4th Sun Joint Ecunimical Service, venues by announcement

**Weekdays:** Festival Services by notification

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To share the Christian Gospel

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To portray Christ to those who live around about us

### **Church Facilities**

Church is dual purpose seating 140 people either as church or stage, disabled access, parking for 25 cars, toilets include disabled toilet, kitchen/ catering facilities, hearing loop.

### **Community Services**

Contact – Lay Readers Mrs D McKnight, Mrs Sheila Wrench

### **Community Facilities**

Small, accessible Church Hall with toilets/disabled toilets and parking available for hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities depending on activity.

Contact – Secretary Jeanne McLair

# **HINDU**

## **Fylde Coast Hindu Society**

Dr Kadaba Vasudev  
10 Silverdale Road  
St Anne's on Sea  
Lancashire  
FY8 3RE

**Tel:** 01253 720747 / 07775860670

**Email:** vasudev@globalnet.co.uk

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your group**

To provide a common forum for the Hindus living in the Fylde Coast to join together in worshipping and keeping alive the Hindu tradition and values especially among their younger generation.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To provide resources in educating the host community and others, especially the children, in all aspects of Hinduism, its culture and values.

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool Strategic Development**

To take a full and active part in the regeneration and development of Blackpool with input from a Hindu perspective.

### **Facilities for group worship**

There is no temple in the Fylde Coast. However there is a beautiful Krishna temple and community centre at Preston where any one is welcome. The temple is situated in South Meadow Lane, Preston, PR1 8JN; Telephone 01772 253912 ; Website [www.ghspreston.co.uk](http://www.ghspreston.co.uk). It is possible to arrange group visits, please contact the temple for details.

### **Community Services**

The Fylde Coast Hindu Society meets on a regular basis on the last Sunday of the month between 4pm and 6pm. Please contact one of the following for further details – Dr K Vasudev, 01253 720747 / 07775860670, [vasudev@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:vasudev@globalnet.co.uk) or Mr Ashok Khandelwal, 01253 828581/07968275952, [khandelwalashok@hotmail.com](mailto:khandelwalashok@hotmail.com).



# **HUMANIST**

## **Blackpool and Fylde Humanist Group**

Mrs Kath Wayland  
13 Elms Avenue  
Lytham  
Lancashire  
FY8 5PW

**Tel:** 01253 736397

**Email:** jmwayland@yahoo.co.uk

**Weekend Services:** Monthly Meetings

**Weekdays:** Namings, Weddings & Funerals

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your group**

To provide a non-religious view in dealing with social and moral problems

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To improve the quality of life by supporting larger groups with whom we have much in common if not religion e.g. Amnesty International, Blackpool Women's Refuge

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

To provide a framework for life without a religious basis

# **JAIN**

Ms K Melia  
5 Seathwaite Ave  
Mereside  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY4 4RS

# **JEWISH**

## **Blackpool Reform Jewish Congregation**

Leslie Firth  
The Synagogue  
Raikes Parade  
Blackpool  
FY1 4EX

**Tel:** 01253 713619

**Email:** les.firth@tiscali.co.uk

**Weekend Services:** Sat 11:00am, Jewish Holiday times: mornings  
10:30am, evenings 7:30pm

**Weekdays:** Fri 8:00pm

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your group**

To continue the practice of Reform Judaism, sanctifying births, marriages and right of death

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

To offer the 'modern' form of Judaism and to educate proselytes

### **Synagogue Facilities**

Purpose built sanctuary and assembly room, decorative memorial windows and ritual alter with arc and sacred rolls, wheelchair access, installed chair lift, 5 parking spaces on forecourt, ladies and gents toilets with cloakroom and washing facility, separate kitchen.

### **Community Facilities**

Synagogue Hall/Classrooms with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

Contact – any member of the Executive or Council, Tel 01253 623687

## **Blackpool United Hebrew Congregation**

Rabbi David Braunhold  
Synagogue Chambers  
Leamington Road  
Blackpool  
FY1 4HD

**Tel:** 01253 392382

**Weekend Services:** Sat 9:45am  
**Weekdays:** Friday (sunset), Jewish  
holiday times on request

**Synagogue Facilities**  
Accessible, toilets/children's toilets

**Community Services**  
Visiting the sick

**Community Facilities**  
Hall/Community Centre  
Contact – 01253 392382



## **LATTER DAY SAINTS**

### **Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints**

Bishop Rushworth  
Blackpool Ward Chapel  
Warren Drive  
Thornton-Cleveleys  
Blackpool  
FY5 3TG

**Tel:** 01253 858218

# MUSLIM

## Central Mosque and Islamic Community Centre

Maulana Ashfaq Patel  
2 Revoe Street  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 5HN



**Tel:** 01253295251, 07939384507,  
01253 291967

**Email:** ashfaq\_patel@hotmail.com

**Weekdays:** Daily prayers, children's education classes Mon-Fri evening

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your group**

To fulfil the religious needs of the Muslim Community, to provide Islamic education for children and Islamic community development

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

Social, educational, sports and recreational activities and health promotion and awareness

### **Mission/aims and priorities for involvement in Blackpool strategic development**

Active participation in SACRE, the Faith Forum and other Blackpool community development programmes

### **Mosque Facilities**

Prayer areas (separate areas for ladies), ablution (washing) area, parking for 7 cars, 7 toilets including 2 disabled toilets, accessible

### **Community Services**

Hospital visits

### **Community Facilities**

Community Centre with kitchen and classrooms for child education available for Muslim community to hire with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

## **RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS)**

### **Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)**

Anne Ashworth  
30a Raikes Parade  
Blackpool  
Lancashire  
FY1 4EX

**Tel:** 01253 302672

**Weekend Services:** Sun 10:45am

#### **Church Facilities**

Accessible, wheel chair ramp, 3 toilets including disabled toilet, tea and coffee making facilities

#### **Community Services**

Hospital visits as requested

#### **Community Facilities**

Two meeting rooms, one hired out which accommodates 50 max. with public liability insurance that covers groups hiring building/facilities.

Contact – Anne Ashworth, Tel 01253 302672

## **SIKH**

Mr Tara Singh  
Hillcrest  
21A North Park Drive  
Blackpool  
FY3 8LR

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# **SPIRITUALIST CHURCH**

## **Albert Road Spiritual Church**

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**Weekend Services:** Sun Divine Service 2:30pm

**Weekdays:** Clairvoyant Wed 2:30pm. Open Circle Thurs 7:30pm, Healing Serv. Wed 12:30pm-1:30pm

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your church/group**

To involve the community and give help to those in need, we are here for anyone

### **Mission/aims and priorities for your local community**

We are able to help anyone who needs it

### **Church Facilities**

Church accommodates 150, disabled access, 3 church parking spaces and parking outside church, 3 toilets including 1 disabled toilet, kitchen/tea and coffee making facilities, hearing loop.

### **Community Services**

Visiting on request

### **Community Facilities**

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