

# Weekly News from Blackpool Salvation Army

Sunday 12th October 2025

# Our Vision: Fullness of life for *all* with Jesus

# Sunday:

9.50am: Prayer meeting @ Raikes Parade 10.30am: Worship & Bible Teaching for all ages 11.15am: Lighthouse Crew @ Raikes Parade

# Monday:

10am: Shining Stars Baby & Toddler group @

Raikes Parade

5pm: Kids Community Choir @ Raikes Parade 6pm: Rainbows, Brownies and Guides @ Raikes

Parade

#### Tuesday:

Community Wardrobe: By appointment only @ Raikes Parade

1-3pm: Midweekers - A warm welcome with games, papers and friendship @ Dorset St 6.30-7.30pm: Brass Roots Community Band

#### Wednesday:

Community Wardrobe: By appointment only @ Raikes Parade

4.30-6.30pm: Youth Club @ Dorset Street

7pm: Bible Study @ Raikes Parade Access via the

back door - please ring the doorbell

# Thursday:

10-12noon: Coffee and chat @ Raikes Parade 12-1pm: Friendship club hot lunch @ Raikes Parade *Please book in advance with Jacqui Wild* 

2-3pm: Friendship club @ Raikes Parade

7.30pm: Citadel Band practice @ Raikes Parade

The Bridge Project @ Blackpool Citadel is open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday for the homeless hub drop in 9-11am and then hot meals from 12.00-2.00pm.

#### Our Mission:

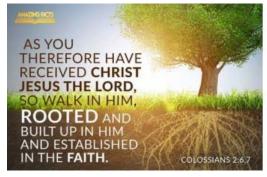
To share the good news

To serve others without discrimination

To nurture disciples of Jesus

To *care* for creation

To seek justice and reconciliation



## Sunday Worship & Bible Teaching

This Sunday, Majors Richard and Jo Thompson will be leading our service. Together, we will explore Luke 5 - The Calling of Peter, reflecting on how this pivotal moment affirmed Peter's sense of belonging to God's family and shaped his future

As part of the service we also take great delight in welcoming Keith Wilcox and Anita Taylor as Adherents at Blackpool Salvation Army. We are blessed to be able to journey with Keith and Anita, and we hope that you can be there to join us as we celebrate this commitment with them.

#### **Funeral of Olive Roberts**

Olive's Funeral will take place this coming Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 11am @ Raikes Parade, followed by a service at Lytham Crematorium. Please remember the family and friends of Olive in your prayers.

#### Please pray for:

- Members of our Corps family who are unwell at this time
- Blessing on our new Adherents Keith Wilcox and Anita Taylor
- Preparations for the Christmas season and opportunities to engage with people in our community
- The Citadel and Fellowship Band, plus Worship Group members - for their faithful ministry to us. Praise God for their wonderful musical talents.

#### **Harvest Festival**

Last weekend we shared a wonderful Harvest Festival. The band helped us to lift up our voices to the great Harvest songs. Thank you to everyone who gave gifts of Harvest essentials and gifts for the Harvest Altar Service. They will be much appreciated by the people that we support.

We would also like to extend a thank you to both Poulton le Fylde Band and St. John the Baptist Church, Pilling for their generous provision of Harvest Essentials. These will be used to support emergency food parcels and supplies for The Bridge Project.

## Friendship Club Sale

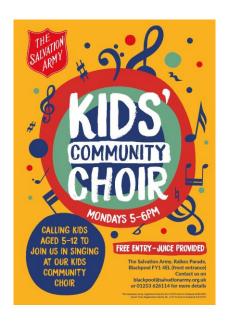
Thank you to everyone who supported the Friendship Club sale on Thursday. Thanks to Jacqui Wild and Major Mary Leith for arranging this great opportunity to purchase some early Christmas presents!



# World Homeless Day (Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October)

As a church community, we stand in solidarity with people experiencing homelessness in our communities.

At the Bridge Project, we believe everyone deserves safety, dignity and a place to call home. Everyday our team works to provide support, guidance, and opportunities to help people rebuild their lives. Today, we invite you to take a moment to learn, reflect and act. Whether its by raising awareness, donating, volunteering or simply showing kindness, together we can make a difference!



# **Kids Community Choir**

Kids Community Choir meet each week on a Monday from 5-6pm at the Citadel. It is great to hear the sound of children singing and laughing echoing through the hall. Please share with any families that you know with children that might enjoy making a joyful noise.



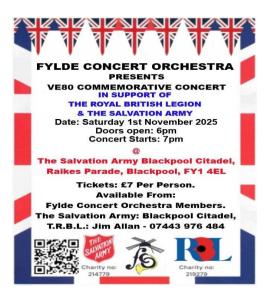
Cake Sales for the Christmas Toy Appeal We're delighted to announce upcoming Cake Sales to help raise funds for this year's Christmas Toy Appeal.

This Sunday - 12th October Sunday, 16th November

We would love your contributions—cakes, traybakes, biscuits - home baked and shop bought all welcome! And of course, do come along to support the event.



Dates for your Diary: Saturday 1st November 7pm: VE Commemorative Concert



Tickets for this event can be purchased from Tina or Reception - Don't Miss Out!

Flyers are also available in the foyer. Please take some to pass to friends and neighbours.

#### Christmas dates to Save

•Christmas Fayre: Saturday 22nd November

•Carol Concert: Thursday 4th December

•Christmas Toy Service : Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December •Corps Carol Service: Sunday 21st December

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