**Welcome to our Baptism Service with Holy Communion**

**Led by Revd. Liz Rowles**

**Sunday 7th September 2025**

**We welcome Rasmus Steeg-Aune and his parents Kristin and Sarah and Godparents Fiona and Sally**

**Hymns (Yellow Books)**

97 God is our strength and refuge

Dear lord and father (in booklet)

How sweet the name of Jesus (in booklet)

382 Calm me Lord

255 One more step along the world I go

**Readings/Gospel**

Deuteronomy 30.15-end

Philemon 1.12

Luke 14.25-33

Large crowds were traveling with Jesus, and turning to them he said: “If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple. And whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.” Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won’t you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it? For if you lay the foundation and are not able to finish it, everyone who sees it will ridicule you, saying, ‘This person began to build and wasn’t able to finish.’“Or suppose a king is about to go to war against another king. Won’t he first sit down and consider whether he is able with ten thousand men to oppose the one coming against him with twenty thousand? If he is not able, he will send a delegation while the other is still a long way off and will ask for terms of peace. In the same way, those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples.

**In our Prayers (St Paul’s)**

Margaret Fripp, Mark Pinkerton and Revd AD Rachel Mann

**SERVICES**

**Holy Communion at St John’s followed by Breakfast and Bible Discussion – Tuesday 9th September at 10:00am**

You do not have to come to morning prayer, you can join us at 10:30am for light breakfast and bible discussion. This week we will be looking at 2 Corinthians All Welcome.

**Holy Communion at St Paul’s – Wednesday 10th September at 9:45am**

Prayer, coffee and chat, all welcome.

**EVENTS AND NEWS**

**Our services are live streamed at St Paul’s.**

https://stream.seccomgroup.com/channel/st-pauls-heaton-moor

**Coffee & Conversation at St John’s – Monday 8th September 1:30pm-3:30pm**

Light-hearted conversation and new friendships

**Quiet Time at St Paul’s – Thursday’s 5pm-8pm**

The church will be open for quiet time for all faiths and none.

**Prayer and Meditation at St John’s – Thursday 12th September at 7:30pm**

Everyone is welcome as we take time to come to God for a peaceful time to reflect on His comfort, hope, strength and peace.

**St Paul’s Junior Choir –**

St Paul’s Junior Choir will be back in September at a new day and time – Wednesday’s at 3:30pm (for a drink/snack) and then practice starting at 3:45pm – 4:30pm. Come along and learn songs from musical theatre, Disney, Hymns, Pop and more. To sign up or any queries please contact Lara on [laraturner1@outlook.com](mailto:laraturner1@outlook.com)

**Heritage weekend.**

Next weekend we will be celbrating the 175th anniversary of St. John’s. Chruch will be open from 10:30am – 15:30pm on Saturday 13th and after the service on Sunday 14th until 14:00. Please come along and look at the exhibits and the wedding dresses!

**Next Sundays Service i**s a joint service with St John’s for the anniversary celebrations and will be led by Bishop Mark at 10:30am. The service will be followed by a bring and share lunch. There is no service at St. Paul’s.

**Heaton Mersey Congregational Church.** Is celebrating is 200th anniversary next weekend. Church will be open Sunday 14th 2-4pm.

**Stewardship campaign**. Our recent campaign did not make a difference to our regular giving. We are very grateful to all those that do give regularly. We really need to increase our income. If you can help or have any ideas ,please talk to Liz or Anne P. **We do not take a collection during the service so please give generously as you leave.**

***Please join us for tea/coffee after service.***

**Peace be with you,**

***Liz Rowles.* Revd Liz Rowles**

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