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NEWSLETTER



Photo: Brian Moffat







I'm sure that some of you know the story about Jesus ascending to heaven and being greeted by the angels who asked him how successful his mission had been on earth. He explained to them that he had left behind a small group of disciples to whom he had committed the ongoing work of bringing in the Kingdom of God which he had inaugurated.

They weren't very impressed. "That lot?" one of them said. "Why, they've proved to be pretty unreliable! Surely you have another plan if, and when, they fail, which is extremely likely?" Jesus replied, "I have no other plan".

May 5 is Ascension Day, and ten days later we will celebrate the Day of Pentecost. The first recalls Jesus leaving the disciples and the second the equipping of that group of the first followers of Jesus to "get on with it". It's as though Jesus says, in effect, "It's over to you"

How confident are we in accepting what Jesus asks of us? That now it is over to us and we are to get on with it. What hope have we to continue the mission of God here on earth? We are all aware of our shortcomings, whether in knowledge, experience, expertise, selfconfidence, strength, energy and all the rest.

Paul writes to the immature church in Corinth, "By one Spirit we have all been baptized into one Body and we have all been made to drink of the one Spirit". This is all about strength in our weakness and power in our powerlessness. It seems to me that, what God seems to look for in us is not strength but weakness, not self-confidence but total and utter dependence on him.

We are all part of the body of Christ and we depend on him to give us the strength we need to carry on his mission. As we continue to work and fundraise for the redevelopment project we must also not lose sight of the continuing mission of God in this church. We need the community to see that we care for them, we welcome them and want to meet their needs in whatever way we can.

Richard spoke of mission at the church AGM and you will have received a letter asking what gifts and talents you can offer to be used as part of your service to God. I am writing this letter before the AGM and so have no idea of the response or how the discussion went but I pray that we will all be looking at what we can offer, however big or small that offering may be knowing that we can depend on God to give us the strength to be used in his service to fulfil his mission

It is 'over to us' and we have to 'get on with it.' for there is no other plan.

Every blessing, Sue

NEW VICAR AT

**ST JOHNS** 



The next priest in charge (vicar designate) of Keswick St John and Borrowdale is *Rev Charles Hope.* 

#### He will be licensed and inducted on Saturday, 4 June at 5:00pm. at St John's Church

Charles has for the last 13 years been vicar of St Mary Magdalene, Prudhoe, in the Diocese of Newcastle. Everyone is very much looking forward to welcoming him, his wife Kathryn and three daughters, Megan, Emily and Katie to the parish.

As the diocese faces up to the ever increasing costs of providing clergy, the next vicar will also take responsibility for the Borrowdale Valley and will too play a leading part in the setting up of the Keswick Mission Community which will draw Anglicans and Methodists closer together in organisation and outreach within the town and surrounding villages.

We too at the Methodist Church look forward to welcoming them to Keswick and to working with them.



## Church Family News

With sadness we record the deaths of Bob Burlington, Herbert Witherington (Local Preacher) from Threlkeld, Wendy (David Hasson's sister) and Paul Wilson (Pearl Wilson's son and friend of Arthur Ibbotson). We pray for all their families and friends and trust they will know the comfort and strength of God's loving presence in their lives at this time of bereavement.

We send Joan Boothroyd our congratulations for her 80<sup>th</sup> birthday in May.

We continue to remember our housebound members and all those not able to worship with us at this present time, including our friends Freda & Wilf Chambers, Greta Grave, Olive Holland, Sylvia McNae, Anne Proctor, Cecilia Spencer, Adrian Thwaites, Nora Walton, and Eileen Witherington.

We were delighted to hear that Moses John was accepted as a candidate for the Methodist ministry. Moses writes:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your encouragement and support over the last year as I have been candidating for Presbyteral Ministry. Most of you will know that I have now been accepted to begin Ministerial Training in September and am now just waiting to hear the Connexion's verdict on whether it will be the full time or part time pathway.

I am obviously delighted with the outcome, and over Easter I have been grateful for some time to reflect on the journey I have made to get to this stage.

Have you ever felt God drop you in a very uncomfortable place? This is very much how I felt about 4 years ago; I was struggling to find God's will and although I knew I was called to ministry, I was confused how God would work everything out.
I felt like young David when Saul offered him his own hulking armour to fight Goliath in 1 Samuel 17: 38. Perhaps you've experienced something similar?
You feel this situation doesn't fit well, or is something you never imagined you would do! Of course, looking back now I can see how God used that uncomfortable time to mould me, to equip me and to bring about His purpose.

Sometimes God's methods are not always pleasant. They might even feel dark and lonely at times. There have been times I desperately wanted to see a light on my dark path, but instead God simply offered me His hand to hold in the darkness. I have begun to understand that this is worth much more because it taught me to trust Him to lead me in the right direction.

This is how I ended up amongst you all in Keswick! And of course, this is how my candidating has progressed- with a lot of support from God and people in the circuit.

It's like my dream is coming true, the jigsaw pieces are fitting together. So, if you feel that perhaps you're on a dark path of your own- if you're feeling uncomfortable or alone- try asking God for His guiding hand. He will lead you out of the darkness and, like me, when you finally reach the other side you will most likely find that you are changed for the better! Often we focus on the destination, but I think

God is more concerned with how we are changed by the journey.

## Our Worship to Celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 10.45am

Saints Alive!

The story of the birth of the Church on the day of Pentecost is one of the most thrilling accounts in the Bible, and one of the most relevant to life today. The dramatic change that took place in the apostles - from being frightened and hopeless men into people who turned the world upside down - is something to sing about!

Our morning worship will follow the events of that day through the words and music of Roger Jones which will be led by our singers and our minister Rev Sue Edwards.

### Monday Night Ladies Group

After an excellent run of meetings, our 2015-2016 season ends in splendid fashion at the Bishop's house next to St John's Church, on Monday May 16th at our usual time of 7.30. Alison Newcome will tell us how she planned and made her beautiful garden and then take us round it. It should be at its best, with all the rhododendrons and azaleas in full bloom. Then, because it is party night, we shall return indoors for our bring and share supper. Just a small contribution from each of us always seems to result in a mini-feast.

Many will be able to walk there but transport will of course be arranged for everyone who needs it.

Joan Boothroyd (75142)





## **Christian Aid Week in Keswick**

Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> May 10am – 12noon	<b>Coffee Morning with Cake Stall</b> at Crosthwaite Parish Room
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> onwards	House to House Collections
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Christian Aid Street Collection at Booths and in the town
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 10.45am	Christian Aid Sunday Service

If you are able to:

Bake a cake for the coffee morning

Come to the Coffee morning

Deliver or collect envelopes for the House to House

Shake a tin on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>

or help in any other way

please speak to Roy Ellis (73340)

### **Christian Aid Prayer**

Creator God, you loved the world into life. Forgive us when our dreams for the future are shaped by anything other than glimpses of a kingdom of justice, peace and an end to poverty.

### Meet our neighbour Morsheda



Morsheda is a young mother of four living in Bangladesh. She has no land, few assets and no savings. For Morsheda's family living on low-lying islands in the Brahmaputra River, floods are a terrifying part of everyday life. Morsheda can't even count on having a safe place to call home: the single-room, corrugated-iron house she shares with her children has been flooded four times.

'I feel very scared of the river. When I look at it I keep thinking "it is coming".'

#### Dangers all around

One year, her humble house filled up to her knees with floodwater. To stay dry, and keep away from the dangerous snakes that now swam through her home she raised her bed up on bricks. But during the night she was woken by a loud splash. In the pitch black, her baby son had fallen into the inky water. He could have drowned in moments.

#### Race against time

In a bad year, huge waves crashed against her house, giving her less than an hour to uproot her home and scramble to safety. Racing against time, she gathered her terrified children together and hastily made a raft from a banana tree.

At any moment, it could have tipped and plunged them into the swirling waters, but it was their only hope. She put her youngest daughter in a cooking pot and clung to it as it floated in the current.

<sup>1</sup>My children were so scared. My sister was holding them very tightly and we were panicking because my neighbour's child was washed away.'

#### The floods are coming

Morsheda and her children live a precarious life. They know that the floods will come again, and soon. But we can lift our neighbours like Morsheda to safety. Just £250 is enough for a Christian Aid Home Safety Package. It could flood-proof Morsheda's home, raising it eight foot on an earth plinth, so that she has a safe place to rebuild, keep livestock and grow crops. It could also buy a goat, seeds and a wormery to help produce compost – all of which will give her a long-term income and a solid foundation for a new life.

<sup>1</sup>If I could raise my house then I would feel much safer living here with my children.' Whether you hold a church collection or collect house-to-house, your actions this Christian Aid Week could change the life of our global neighbours like Morsheda. Join us in the week we love every neighbour.





### Keswick Methodist Church Redevelopment and Fundraising

Thank you to all of you who responded generously to our appeal letter, both financially and in the offer of gifts and skills to be used in the life of our church.

Our first large grant bid has gone in to the Methodist Church and we expect to hear the results of that in May. If we are successful we'll be able to move the project forward with the architect, planning, etc, and planning our approaches to other grant making bodies for smaller grants. In the meantime, we're always glad to hear your comments about extra ideas for the redevelopment which could be incorporated into the plans.

Fundraising continues apace. Many of you will have seen the new puddings in the Grisedale Room – and possibly bought some! Our bags, recipe books and monthly quizzes are still always available. (Hint: Do you belong to a group outside the church where you could sell quizzes or promote our goods?)

A new venture is getting a portrait photograph done by Brian see the examples in the Grisedale Room and book yourself a sitting. He'll still have copies when you decide to give some to your family next Christmas! Also watch out for our calendars for 2017. Samples will be arriving shortly so that you can order early Christmas presents. The following dates are fixed. Please advertise them to your friends and neighbours to encourage support.

- We've introduced a monthly Saturday Chat, usually the second Saturday of the month 10-12noon, which also serves as an outreach to the community – come and bring your friends along! The next ones are on 21 May (I know, it's the third Saturday), 11 June, 9 July, 13 August and 10 September.
- Saturday 21 May 7pm **Penrith Methodist Church Choral Group**. Refreshments available.
- Saturday 11 June 10am–4pm **Table Top Sale**. Book a table now with Kate Norburn tel 74573.
- Saturday 11 June 8pm **The Dalesmen Singers**. Refreshments available.
- 18 July–5 August **Convention Coffees and refreshments** Monday to Friday.
- 8-13 August all day and some evenings Knitted Bible Exhibition. For this and the Convention more details will be on the notice sheet nearer the time but lots of people needed so please don't go away!
- Sunday 11 September 7pm Behind the Mask. This is being performed at the Theatre by the Lake and promises to be an excellent evening. Tickets are on sale NOW and going well so make sure you get yours soon. Perhaps it could be part of a birthday or anniversary celebration for your friends as well.

Please support our church in this redevelopment project by being a helper at fundraising events, coming along and encouraging your friends outside of the church to come as well.

Thank you to all the people who are working hard behind the scenes to make our vision become a reality so that God's work through the Methodist Church in Keswick can grow.

My contact details are telephone 017687 75818 or email revhasson@aol.com David Hasson

## Voices from the Congregation **Joyce Ellis**



#### Can you tell us something about your early life?

I was born in Birmingham on Bonfire Night 1944 the youngest of three children. My brother, Peter, is 5 years older than me and my sister, Pat, 18 months older. All my family came from Birmingham but when I was two my father got a job at the gas works in St Helens and we moved to Huyton in Liverpool, which was then a village. At the age of six we moved again with my father's work, this time to Nottingham where I grew up and went to school and where I call home. My sister and stepmother still live there.

#### How and when did you come to faith?

I was brought up in a Methodist home and the family were very involved in the local Methodist church at Beeston, my father being the Sunday School secretary and steward and my mother being the JMA secretary and pianist for the Sisterhood. I attended Sunday School regularly and remember Sunday School Anniversaries with fond memories as being one of the highlights of the year, when we all 'sat up' on the erected platform. As a church the singing was always good and I particularly remember being moved by the singing of one evening worship when a full church (including the gallery) sang *The day thou gavest.* 

I shall for ever be grateful for all the grounding in the Bible stories I received doing the annual scripture exams of the National Sunday School Union. All of this shaped my faith which came to fruition at the Easter-time when I was about 13, when I was reached by the Easter story in a way I had not known before, and gave my life to Jesus Christ. By the time I went to university in London I knew I wanted to work as a missionary teacher in Africa.

Whilst still at the church I was further blessed by being in a place with a youth group who argued about everything including the faith. Not only did this give me the ability to work out my faith with honesty but I knew early on that it was alright to question anything and everything. It is an openness which I still have and appreciate, which holds me in good stead!

#### What happened next?

I went to university at Kings College, London to study Maths and Physics. Whilst there I met Roy and we married when we graduated in July 1966. We both wanted to teach in Africa and so we spent our first year of married life doing our teaching diploma at the Institute of Education in London in the department for Education in Tropical areas.

#### What was your first job?

We went to Zambia where we taught in one of the government schools in the newly independent country. We had a wonderful three and a half years there – certainly learning as much as we taught and coming away with a perspective on life that has stayed with us ever since. I taught Maths whilst Roy taught Science.

#### Tell us something about your family

Our daughter, Julie was born in Zambia and our son Marc a few months after our return to the UK. We went to live in south-east London where Roy taught in a local comprehensive. I was at home with the children, but when they were old enough to go the playgroup and nursery, Roy's head teacher discovered he had a maths teacher at home. This was a time of severe teacher shortage and the head said I could write my own timetable and there would be places for the children at the local nursery class of the infants school. As I always loved my teaching this proved an ideal situation.

Julie is now married to Andrew who is a Methodist minister in Gloucester and Julie is a Church and Community Worker, appointed by their circuit and attached to one of Andrew's churches. Marc is married to Emma and lives at Horsham with Amy aged 5 and Ben coming up to 3. Many of you will remember Ben being born here on the same day as Prince George and making the front page of the Keswick Reminder! Children and grandchildren remain a constant delight.

#### My call to the Ministry

In my mid thirties I began to experience anxiety attacks that at times meant I could not carry on what I was doing. They did not seem to relate to anything I could identify and they seemed totally out of character. I was very confused, not only mentally but spiritually, as I had always seen myself as both a confident and optimistic person, which I put down to my faith.

With the encouragement of my minister I went for counselling with the Westminster Pastoral Foundation, which had been set up in London by a Methodist Minister. This was around 1980 and Counselling was very new, certainly I did not know of it. It turned out to be one of the most transforming experiences of my life. Not only did it begin to get me in touch with the root causes of my anxiety (starting with the fact that I had never really mourned my mother's death when I was 18), but the deeper and more complicated things too.

I began to see how many of the doctrines of the Christian faith, which I knew academically from my training as a local preacher, were in fact the basics of understanding our human behaviour and the place of healing. I began to understand in a new way what it meant that God accepts us as we are, (at a point in my counselling when I was not able to do so). One turning point came when I was reading a book that said, amongst other things, that when disturbing things start happening in our lives it may be God, 'in his wrath' not allowing us to be half the people he intended us to be. Suddenly, what was happening to me, was not some inconvenience I needed to deal with to get on with my life, but God intervening to 'redeem me'. It was part of my salvation.

I also learnt in my counselling that I need to learn to 'be' as well as to 'do'. A whole new world of meditation and quietness opened up before me, which I am still learning to pursue and appreciate. I also learnt subsequently that although my anxiety episodes were mostly under control they would never totally go away, and I still experience them occasionally. After I had completed my own counselling I then felt I wanted to learn more and went back to the WPF for counsellor training.

A little while later I felt a call to ministry, which grew over time until I offered for the ministry, candidated and was accepted for training. I started in circuit in Maidstone, Kent in 1986. I felt it significant that God did not call me to ministry until after these experiences. I was aware that what I brought to ministry was not just the 'capable' Joyce, but the 'vulnerable' Joyce I had discovered within. I discovered that this was the side people were more easily able to relate to in times of difficulty. After 20 years of teaching I then went on to nearly 20 years in the full time ministry, serving next in Wallington in south west London and then finally in Somerset. A joy, a privilege and a blessing. Though not without a few bumps on the way!

#### When did you first become involved here at Southey Street?

We have been coming to Keswick for our holidays since the mid seventies and later, on moving into a manse, we bought a house here, continuing to visit whenever we could. We attended either Tythebarn St or Southey St on our visits, and indeed I had 2 sabbaticals in Keswick. On retirement eleven years ago we became members here.

#### Do you have any particular likes or dislikes?

I have been involved with feminist theology from its early days when I was training. I passionately see it as part of our redemption (for men as well as women). I enjoy wildlife and my wildlife garden, reading and classical music, and walking the fells. My favourite hymn is *O thou who camest from above* 

#### What are your hopes for the future?

A just and peaceful world, at peace with itself and God.





The DaySpring Trust update:

Just a note to say thanks very much for the support we have received for The DaySpring Trust, all seems to be well over there.

The children who used to live at Sinai Orphanage are now supported financially by the charity and attend the homework club daily after school. They are full of life and seem healthy and happy in their new situations, mostly with extended family members. We feel it's been a good transition for them and are pleased with their progress so far.

The children who attend Sinai Primary School and Nursery are currently working towards their final exams of the year. In Tamil Nadu the hottest month of the year is May, so their school summer holidays will begin from April 22<sup>nd</sup>. There is ongoing repair work being done on the school building which was hit particularly badly by the flooding at the end of last year.

At the Tailoring school one class of ladies has just finished their year-long course and we are preparing to welcome a new class to begin. It's always very satisfying to see a group of ladies prepared and ready to go out and begin a new job/life after their training with us. Moses John

## Thursday Evening Men's Group

We have had rather a long break from our men's bible study group so far this year. It was mostly down to

our house being flooded, my candidating interviews, people being away etc. However, I'm glad to announce that we had our first meeting back together again on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April and it was great to be together once more!

We spent the evening catching up and deciding on which study to begin. We had two to choose from; The first was a study based on John's Gospel which looked at it's distinct style and themes compared to the other gospels. The second was a study called 'Corner' from Rob Bell's 'NOOMA' series, it looks at the joy and fulfilment that can come from helping others rather than just ourselves.

We decided to go with the Rob Bell series first and save the John's Gospel one for next time. Please let me know if you'd like to join us- Thursday Evenings 7.30pm at my house. Thanks!

Moses John

## **Church Outing to Windermere**

The Church outings go from strength to strength, twenty of us set off on the first outing of 2016 for a boat trip on Windermere.

The weather was the usual, grey and fairly cold, but being used to this we set off and travelled via Glenridding and the Kirkstone Pass. Storm Desmond had closed the usual route via Thirlmere, Glenridding had much damage and like Keswick was slowly recovering, diggers were working in the beck.

Roy had planned to take us down 'The Struggle' from the top of Kirkstone Pass to Ambleside but on this day fate was against us and road men were busy replacing tarmac at the very point where we should have joined that adventurous road. Never mind, further down the road we took an equally narrow road, arriving in good time for the boat.



The beautiful MV Tern then took us to Bowness. Being brave souls we sat on deck and enjoyed the scenery which, no matter what the weather, always held our attention. The RAF added to the fun by sending a low flying jet to greet us! MV Tern, the flagship of the Windermere fleet, was built in 1891 as a steam powered yacht. In 1956 it was converted to diesel power and can travel at 10 knots, powered by two 6 cylinder Cummins engines. Its graceful lines do not age.

We arrived at Bowness and made our way to the 'Albert' pub. Time was short and after lunch we travelled on 'Miss Cumbria 11' back to Ambleside. The sun came out briefly and we had views of Wray Castle and the Langdale Fells. We retraced our route to Keswick having had a lovely day.

With thanks to Roy for organising all this and to Joyce for keeping us right with the menu. Brian Moffat

## A letter from Jessie at the Foodbank :



Demonstrating the Christian values of compassion, love & hope Supporting our Community since July 2009

Dear All

You will, I am sure, have seen in the press today (15 Apr) that the Trussell Trust have released the year end figures. Our Foodbank centres statistics are part of these figures. You may be wondering how we fit into this bigger picture and I wanted to share this with you, as you are very much part of this picture.

Putting to one side all the politics around the need for Foodbanks, <u>please</u> remember that people in our community need our help and your hard work enables us to be able provide this sustainable community support.

Our year end position:

Over the last year we have had a 4% rise in the amount of food parcels we have given out – 5672 food parcels, around 56000 meals.

- The Trussell Trust has given out 110 million parcels, a 2% rise.
- The NW as a whole has had a 2% rise.
- Barrow has had a 18% decline.
- We have had 60 tonnes of food donated to us which included the Kids pack food. Between 230 and 240 families have registered with us to receive Kids lunch packs over the holiday period. We have consistently had around a 60% take up of this registered figure.

#### Quote from David McAuley CEO Trussell Trust

""One million three day food supplies given out by our foodbanks every year is one million too many. This must not become the new normal," says CEO.

The latest Trussell Trust figures released today reveals that foodbank use remains at record levels, whilst new research from the University of Hull gives a fresh insight into UK hunger by mapping foodbank data against census data. More details here -

https://www.trusselltrust.org/2016/04/15/foodbank-use-remains-record-high/

As a society, we need to listen to the experiences of people facing hunger and poverty, and work to find solutions to this problem together. Thank you for your support in helping us make a difference to people in crisis."

On behalf of the North Lakes Foodbank, Thank you All for your hard work over the past year.

Kind Regards

Jessie Hendry Gooding

### SUNDAY EVENING HOUSEGROUP

We meet on a Sunday evening at 7pm at 38 Briar Rigg. New members are always welcome – why not give us a try ?

During the summer we shall be watching and discussing the DVDs of Philip Yancy (which follows his book of the same name) as he asks the question:

#### What's so AMAZING about GRACE?

We also have invited some friends to share with us how their faith has shaped their lives.

Our programme for the next 3 months is:

1st May	<i>How my Faith has Shaped my Life</i> Sharon Woollard
15 <sup>th</sup> May	What's so Amazing about Grace? (2) David Hasson
29 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>How my Faith has Shaped my Life</i> Rev Keith Rushton
19 <sup>th</sup> June	What's so Amazing about Grace? (3) Kim Moses
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	How my Faith has Shaped my Life Sally Lunson
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Housegroup Communion
31 <sup>st</sup> July	Summer BBQ

If you would like a lift please see Roy or Joyce Ellis (73340)



Photo: Brían Moffat



## An exploration of the Grace of God in our lives using the writings of W. H. Vanstone

A Quiet Day At Bassenthwaite Methodist Church

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2016, 10am - 4pm

led by Rev Joyce Ellis

The day will consist of 3 guided sessions of awareness exercises and meditation, with periods of free time for relaxation and quiet. We close with an informal Eucharist. The cost of the day will be  $\pounds$ 3. Please bring your own lunch; coffee and tea will be provided. If you would like to join us or would like more information please contact Rev Joyce Ellis (73340)





#### Keswick Methodist Church Property Morning Thursday 5 May 9.30am–12noon

This is a date and time to be remembered! Calling all tea and coffee makers, cleaners, gardeners, odd job people - this is a morning for you.

We'll work, work, work, the morning through, with the

obligatory coffee stop, to reclaim our parking from the overgrowth and trees and the back yard from the briars while inside the building can be dusters, polishers, sweepers and hooverers!

Please let me know if you're planning to come as I don't want to turn up on my own. David Hassow: Property Steward (75818)

## **Dates for your Diary**

Thurs	5 <sup>th</sup> May 9.30-12	Property Morning (see above)
Sun	8 <sup>th</sup> May 10.45am	Morning Service - Saints Alive
Sat	14 <sup>th</sup> May 10-12noon	Christian Aid Coffee Morning (Parish Rooms)
Sun	15 <sup>th</sup> May 10.45am	Jazz Service
15 <sup>tr</sup>	May – 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Christian Aid Week
Sat	21 <sup>st</sup> May 10-12noon	Saturday Chat
Sat	21 <sup>st</sup> May 10-1pm	Christian Aid Street Collection
Sat	21 <sup>st</sup> May 7pm	Penrith Choral Society – Fund-raising event
Sun	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 10.45am	Christian Aid Service
Sat	4 <sup>th</sup> June 5pm	Induction of Rev Charles Hope as
		the new Vicar at St John's
Sat	11 <sup>th</sup> June 10-12noon	Saturday Chat
Sat	11 <sup>th</sup> June 10am-4pm	Table-top Sale
Sat	11 <sup>th</sup> June 8pm	Dalesmen Singers - Fund-raising event
Wed	15 <sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm	Circuit Meeting at Cockermouth

## Rotas for May & June

May 1 May 8 May 15 May 22 May 29	<b>Preacher</b> J. Ellis (S) Edwards(S. Alive) Edwards (Jazz) Hasson (C.Aid) Sharpe/Jones	<b>Steward</b> Christine Anne Sheila Brian Anne	Welcome Helen, Richard Michael, Catherine ALL STEWARDS Kate, Joyce E Joyce G, Margaret B
June 5 June 12 June 19 June 26	Rushton S Hasson J. Ellis Evans	Richard Helen N Christine Sheila	Sheila, Margaret B Michael, Catherine Kath, Joyce G Helen, Richard
May 1 May 8 May 15 May 22 May 29	Tea/Coffee Ted, Jane Wendy, Maureen B  Hilda, Helen B Kate, David L	Traidcraft Joan R  Kate/Sylvia 	<b>Counting</b> Sheila, David H Roy, Ted Margaret B, Anne Anne, Dave L Joyce E, Harry
June 5 June 12 June 19 June 26	Maureen H, Joyce G Maureen B, Hilda Kath, Alan	 Kate	Roy, Anne Richard, David H
Julie 20	Maureen H, Joyce G	j	Christine, Harry

### Flower Rota for May & June

May 1	Margaret & Peter	June 5	Joyce Gray
May 8	Saints Alive	June 12	Harry Reynolds
May 15	Jazz Service	June 19	Joyce Ellis
May 22	Dylis Kennedy	June 26	Hilary Baslington
May 29	Joan Rutherford		



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The deadline for the next newsletter, which will be for July & August, is Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June.

# Services for May and June

May 1 May 8	10.45am 10. 45am	Rev Joyce Ellis Rev Sue Edwards	Holy Communion 'SAINTS ALIVE'
	6.00pm	Rev Sue Edwards	Reflective Service
May 15	9.30am	Rev Sue Edwards	JAZZ Service Pentecost
May 22	10.45am	Rev David Hasson	Christian Aid Trinity
May 29	10.45am	David Sharpe / Tori Jones	Morning Worship
June 5	10.45am	Rev Keith Rushton	Holy Communion
June 12	10.45am 6.00pm	Rev David Hasson Rev Sue Edwards	Morning Worship Reflective Service
June 19	10.45am	Rev Joyce Ellis	Morning Worship
June 26	10.45am	Dr Martyn Evans	Morning Worship

**Church Website** 

www.keswickmethodistchurch.org.uk

Have you visited the new church website yet? Lots of information, photos etc Do log on and see for yourself.

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