



# Keswick Methodist Church

I lift up my eyes to the hills.....

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## Notices for week commencing 2 April 2017



**Minister:** Rev Sue Edwards  
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**Jesus**, you prayed and fasted. As your disciples, teach us about spiritual discipline in our relationship with you.

When my love for Christ grows weak, when for deeper faith I seek, then in thought I go to thee, Garden of Gethsemane. Then to life I turn again, learning all the worth of pain, learning all the might that lies in a full self-sacrifice. And I praise with firmer faith Christ, who vanquished pain and death; and to Christ enthroned above raise my song of selfless love.

Amen

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## Sunday 2 April : Lent 5 - I am the Vine

**10.45am Worship Service** led by Roy Ellis  
Isaiah 5:1-7 | John 15:1-11

*Coffee and tea will be served in the Grisedale Room after the service. Please join us.*

**7pm Housegroup:** *I am the Vine*

## ***This Coming Week :***

### **Tuesday 4 April:**

**12.30pm** Lent Lunch at Crosthwaite Parish Room

### **Wednesday 5 April:**

2pm Fundraising Group in Grisedale Room

7.30pm Singing Group at Holly Bank

### **Thursday 6 April:**

9.30-9.45am Vision 21 Time to Pray : where you are

9.30-10am Prayer Group in the Grisedale Room

10.15-11.30am Jubilatté – join us for coffee in the Grisedale Room

7.30pm Redevelopment Group in Grisedale Room

### **Sunday 9 April: Palm Sunday**

#### **Lent 6 – *I am the Way, the Truth and the Life***

10.45am Morning Worship led by Rev Richard Teal, Chair  
of Cumbria Methodist District

6.30pm St Mark's Passion at St John's

Flowers: Catherine Jackson

## **Bible Readings for Lent**

During Lent each Sunday morning we're looking at the '*I am*' sayings in John's gospel. We've produced a booklet to

accompany the series that contains Bible Readings from John's gospel. It's entitled ***Meeting Jesus in St John's Gospel***. The daily Bible readings mean you can read through the whole gospel during Lent. If you'd like a copy, which also contains prayers and meditations, please collect one from the back of the church (they have a pink cover).



Joyce Ellis (73340)



**#40for40**

## **The 40 for 40 Challenge**

It's not too late to take up the North Lakes Foodbank challenge - give up 40p a day for the 40 days of Lent to help support a local family in crisis this Easter. See the information in the Grisedale Room. Roy Ellis (73340)

# EAST AFRICA CRISIS APPEAL



CHRISTIAN AID  
DEC MEMBER



Photo credit: Andreea Campeanu/DEC

Following the retiring collections last week and the week before, I have sent £295 to the East Africa Crisis Appeal via Christian Aid. £195 of that was gift aided. Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Roy Ellis (73340) : Christian Aid



Christian Aid is a member of the Disaster  
Emergency Committee (DEC).

## North Lakes Foodbank

The special appeal this week is for :

- \*\* Tinned tomatoes
- \*\* Tinned fruit    \*\* Tinned meat
- \*\* Tinned pasta (ravioli, macaroni cheese, etc)
- \*\* Dried pasta    \*\* Jam (not homemade)
- \*\* Tinned hotdogs    \*\* Tinned meatballs

*The tinned hotdogs and meatballs are for the Easter Holiday Lunch  
Packs4Kids. 320 families will be helped.*



Roy Ellis (73340)



## Action for Children collecting boxes

The time has come to hand in your collecting box for emptying. Please either pass it on to me or I can collect it if you prefer. Thank you.

Kate Norburn (74573)

## We need your empty jam jars!

Please can you bring your empty, washed, jam jars over the coming few weeks and leave them in the box in the Grisedale room. We will be using them as part of a fundraising event for Vision 21. The jars will be distributed to everyone on Sunday 30 April to collect your loose change in over the following weeks. More information will follow but your help in bringing in the jars will be really appreciated.



Sally Lunson (71016)

**Lent Lunches** : The Lent Lunch this week is on **Tuesday 4 April** at the Crosthwaite Parish Room starting at 12.30pm. This is our final week and St Herbert's School Choir is coming to sing to us. As usual, we ask for a suggested donation of £4 (you can give more or less!). All donations are going to Christian Aid to use to help others.



Roy Ellis (73340)



**Friday 7 April 3-7pm**

**Braithwaite Institute, Braithwaite**

New blood donors needed. Would you be interested in giving blood? If so, you can register online at [blood.co.uk](http://blood.co.uk) or call the helpline on 0300 123 2323.

## Mining for God :

**2pm Fridays 21 July, 28 July, 4 August**

Experience a mine tour with a difference this summer at Honister Slate Mine. Learn about how slate is mined, how the miners lived and something of the geology of Fleetwith Pike whilst worshipping God through prayer, readings and praise deep under ground! Join Tori Jones (mine guide and local preacher in training) and Rev David Hasson in this unique opportunity. Leaflets available in the Grisedale Room.



## Great Jigsaw Sale

Our next Jigsaw Sale is on

**Tuesday, 18 April 10am–4pm.** Jigsaws and refreshments will be in the hall with a bric-a-brac stall in the parlour. If you have any bric-a-brac you'd like to donate please let Brian Moffat know on 80427. Thank you.



**Vision 21 Fundraising Stall:** Don't forget we also have greetings cards at £2 each, puddings at £5, recipe books £4, bags £5 and books in the bookbox only 50p each!

## 'Stepping Out' Writing Competition



Methodist Women in Britain invite you to submit a meditative or reflective piece of writing on the theme of **Stepping Out** in prose or poetry. Entries must be no more than 500 words and the closing date is midnight, Wednesday 19 April 2017. The competition is open to British residents, male and female, aged 16 or over. You may submit up to three entries. There will be a prize of £150 for the winner and a runner-up prize of £50. The winner and runner-up will be announced on Friday 23 June 2017 at a fringe event of the Methodist Conference to be held in Birmingham. For more information see the poster on the notice board in the Grisedale Room.

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## Future Dates:

- **Good Friday 14 April Walk of Witness**
- **Easter Sunday 16 April Easter Sunrise Service**
- **Tuesday 18 April 10am-4pm: Big Jigsaw Sale** in aid of Vision 21
- **Sunday 30 April 10.45am From Pharoah to Freedom & 12noon Lunch & Annual Church Meeting**
- **Sunday 7 May 7pm: Circuit Easter Offering Service** at Bassenthwaite
- **Sunday 14 May 9.30am : Jazz Festival Worship**
- **Friday 26 May 7.30pm: Fain in Concert** in aid of Vision 21
- **Saturday 1 July 7.30pm: The Organist Entertains** with John Bromley

## To all our visitors

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- You're very **welcome** to our church today. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us. Please sign our visitors' book and put a pin on the map which is in the Grisedale Room (as you came into church). We'd welcome any suggestions you might have to help us improve our hospitality.
- **Children** are welcome in our services. A box of toys and activities is normally available if you need them. If you prefer, you may sit in the Grisedale Room, where you'll still be able to hear the service. Please ask a Steward if you need any help.
- **Hymn Books:** We normally sing from Singing the Faith and most Sundays the words are projected onto the screen. Hymnbooks are always available in the pews. Please ask a steward if you prefer a large print or tune hymnbook.
- **Loop System:** We have a loop system for those who wear a hearing aid.
- **Website & social media** Please keep in touch with us through our website and our Facebook page. Our website is [www.keswickmethodistchurch.org.uk](http://www.keswickmethodistchurch.org.uk). Please visit us there. You can also find us on Facebook and Twitter. These are good ways to keep up to date on what we're doing.
- **Vision 21** We're raising money to redevelop the church, aiming to start after Convention 2017. You can follow how we're doing by checking in the Newsletter and on the website. And you can follow the travels of the I♥KESWICK bag here too.
- **Easyfundraising:** Collect free donations for Vision21 every time you shop online! Visit [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/keswickmethodist](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/keswickmethodist).

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**Notice Sheet:** Please send or phone notices for next week through to Anne Hasson on 017687 75818 or by e-mail to [annehasson@aol.com](mailto:annehasson@aol.com) by Thursday evening.