



Keswick Methodist Church

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

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Notices for week commencing 23 April 2017



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We give thanks for the resurrection power of Jesus, that no tomb can withstand and no enslavement restrain. We pray that those under political, economic, social and cultural oppression may experience liberation through the grace of God, the acts of leaders of goodwill and the sacrificial mission of the Church in all parts of the world. We pray that we, as disciples, may have the courage to let go of our instincts of self-preservation and, in doing so, find the true freedom reserved for those who take up their cross and follow Jesus, the saviour of the world. Amen

Prayer Handbook Day 23

Sunday 23 April :

10.45am Morning Worship led by Martyn Evans
Readings: Acts 2:14a, 22-32 | 1 Peter 1:3-9 | John 20:19-31

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

7pm Housegroup : I am the door

This Coming Week :

Wednesday 26 April:

2pm Church Leadership Team
7.30pm Singing Group in the Church

Thursday 27 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

Sunday 30 April:

10.45am Morning Worship : *From Pharaoh to Freedom*
12.15pm approx Bring & Share Lunch
1pm approx Annual Church Meeting

Flowers: Vacancy – contact Sally Lunson if you'd like this slot

Easter Offering 2017

It's not too late to donate via the Easter Offering envelopes to the **Methodist World Mission Fund**. Please consider prayerfully if you can donate to the Fund which supports the work of 65 partner churches outside Britain and Ireland (more info on the bookmark). The offerings in the envelopes will be dedicated at a special **Circuit Service** on **Sunday 7 May at 7pm at Bassenthwaite** to which everyone is invited.



Church Annual Meeting

The annual general meeting of the church will be held next Sunday following the Bring and Share Lunch. All members and friends of the church are welcome to attend. I've received a set of reports on all aspects of church life which will be presented at the meeting. Please collect a set of these reports from the Grisedale Room unless you've already received them by email.

Roy Ellis (73340)

North Lakes Foodbank

We have recently used 10 tonnes of stock to pack our usual food parcels and our Easter Holiday Lunch Packs 4 kids to provide 320 families during the Easter holidays and 600 people needing 3 days emergency food during their crisis time. We still need your help please to replenish the stocks as we are extremely low in our warehouse. The special appeal this week is for :



- ** Tinned fruit
 - ** Tinned veg (especially tinned potatoes)
 - ** Jam (not homemade)
 - ** Pasta sauce
 - ** UHT Milk (not skimmed)
- 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 and leave them in the box in the Grisedale room. We'll be using them as part of a fundraising event for Vision 21. The jars will be distributed to everyone next week to collect your loose change in over the following weeks. More information will follow but your help in bringing in the jars is really appreciated.



Sally Lunson (71016)



Jigsaw Puzzle Sale

Thank you to everybody for the tremendous help that was given to get the Jigsaw Sale up and running. It would not have happened without the help that was generously given and we were so pleased at the success of the sale. We raised a total of £624.35 for Vision 21.

Katie & David (74573)

Calendars 2018

The *I ♥ Keswick 2017* calendars were so successful that we're going to produce another one for 2018! This one will cover a wider area and have the theme of *I ♥ North Lakes*. If you have any photos of the North Lakes area that you'd like considered for the calendar, please email them to Helen North. There's no guarantee your photo will be used – last year we had many excellent photos but far more than were needed! The photos should be digital (jpg, tiff, psd or raw) and landscape. The quality needed is at least mm 190 x 119/pixels 2244 x 1406 (300 dpi). If you'd like one (or more) of your photos to be considered for inclusion in the calendar please email it (them) to helen.north1@gmail.com **as soon as possible**.

Helen North (78025) & Anne Hasson (75818)



The Way Easter 2017

Please collect your copy of the new edition of The Way which represents a new look and feel for Cumbria's ecumenical newspaper. Its theme is **God for All** and includes stories of how people have come to faith through Messy Church as well as looking at the fantastic work of hospice chaplaincy through the eyes of one lady who has just retired after 10 years offering support at the Eden Valley Hospice in Carlisle. Also available to download at <http://www.carlisediocese.org.uk/uploads/1929/the-way-spring-2017.pdf.html>



From Pharaoh to Freedom : Sunday worship 30 April at 10.45am



A musical of the Passover, demonstrating the vital relationship between the Jewish Passover Festival and the Christian celebration of Holy Communion. It follows the story of Moses, how he came face to face with God, and pleaded with Pharaoh for the release of the Israelites from slavery. It then moves into the New Testament, and shows Jesus and his disciples at their Last Supper together. Jesus' ultimate sacrifice follows, and in the words of St Paul "Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed for us. So let's celebrate!"

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



Travels of the I♥KESWICK bag

The #lovekeswickbag is still enjoying racing up the Wainwrights! This week it summited Birkhouse Moor and Catstycam at 2917ft (the highest it has been in 2017 so far). It was very tempted by Swirral Edge to get up to Helvellyn, but chickened out! (**Maybe another day! Ed**)



You can buy your bag for £5 in church or at the Cheese Deli in Packhorse Court. They're very handy for lots of different things, not just your shopping!! Don't forget to take a picture of where you are with it (you don't have to be up a mountain!) and put it on our Church Facebook page using #lovekeswickbag

Future Dates:

- **Sunday 30 April 10.45am From Pharoah to Freedom & 12noon Lunch & Annual Church Meeting**
- **Tuesday 2 May 10am: Worship Consultation** in the Grisedale Room
- **Sunday 7 May 7pm: Circuit Easter Offering Service** at Bassenthwaite
- **Sunday 14 May 9.30am : Jazz Festival Worship**
- **Tuesday 16 May 12noon-4pm: MWiB Lunch & Speaker on Refugee Centre in Newcastle** at Brampton Methodist Church
- **Friday 26 May 7.30pm : Concert with Fain**
- **Tuesday 16 June 10am-12 noon & 2-4.30pm: Coffee at Holly Bank** in aid of Vision 21
- **Saturday 1 July 7.30pm: The Organist Entertains** with John Bromley

To all our visitors

- 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. 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.

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 by Thursday evening.