



# Keswick Methodist Church

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

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## Notices for week commencing 27 August 2017



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**Gracious God,**  
who knows our needs,  
reads our thoughts,  
sees into our hearts  
and yet accepts us as we are,  
be the centre of our worship,  
the focus of our praise,  
the one to whom we turn,  
not only as we meet today  
but each day that we awake.

Amen

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## Sunday 27 August

**10.45am Morning Worship** led by Rev David Hasson  
**Romans 12:1-8 | Matthew 16: 13-20**

*Coffee and tea will be served after the service.  
We'd love you to join us.*

**Tuesday 29 August:**

2pm Church Clearance Stage 2

**Thursday 31 August:**

9.30-9.45am Vision21 Time to Pray : where you are

9.30-10am Prayer Group in the Parlour

10-11.30am Jubilate: join us for coffee in the Parlour

**Sunday 3 September:**

10.45am Morning Worship & Communion

led by Rev Keith Rushton

**Olive Holland**

We are sad to announce the death of Olive, a member at our church but formerly of Grange. She died at her home in Skinburness on 22 August. The funeral service and cremation will take place at Distington Hall Crematorium on Wednesday 30 August at 1.15pm.

**Thank you!**

We'd like to sincerely thank all of our friends at Southey Street for the cards, gifts, visits and general encouragement after the birth of Josie Grace. Your kindness and love have been very touching and we feel privileged to belong to the family of God. Josie is settling in beautifully and is a blessing to us all.

Moses, Kim and family

**Church Clearance Stage 2**

Our skip is now half full and needs topping off with our smaller unwanted items. If you can spare some time Tuesday afternoon from 2pm to help to do this you'd be very welcome. There are also some floorboards and a carpet still to lift and put in the skip. See you there!

David Hasson (75818)

## Organ Removal Working Party

The organ in the church is being removed on Thursday and Friday, 7 & 8 September, starting at 10am each day. David Cooper, the organ advisor, and I will be taking out the pipes and other sensitive parts on 7

September. On 8 September a larger group of 4 to 6 people is required to take apart the body of the organ. If you can help on 8 September please let me know. I may not be available on the morning of 8<sup>th</sup> as I need to meet an early morning plane arrival at Manchester so willing volunteers will be very welcome.

David Hasson (75818)



## North Lakes Foodbank NEWSFLASH!

Thank you so much for all the kind donations, helping to restock our empty shelves. We're still short of the items shown to the left – slightly changed from last week.

It would be great if everyone could drop one item off into our green bin in the Parlour – our warehouse would fill up in no time! Can you help please?

Roy Ellis (73340)

## Vision 21 jars!

If anyone forgot to bring their jar to empty into the Vision 21 logo on 13 August, you're welcome to still bring it and give it to any of the Leadership Team (Sheila, Brian, Richard, Anne, Helen, David H or Nigel).



## Flower Rota

Now we've moved into the hall for Sunday worship and will be sharing this space with the community, we have limited display and storage space. So, until we're back in the church fresh flower arrangements won't usually be prepared and I therefore won't be collecting donations.

Instead we'll make use of some of our artificial arrangements to bring colour and cheer over the coming months without adding to the extra work required to set up and clear away each week after morning worship.



Sally Lunson

## September-October 2017 Church Newsletter

The next Church Newsletter is now printed and available to collect from the Parlour.

## September-November 2017 Plan

The next Preaching Plan is now available to collect from the Parlour.



## Refresh! Saturday 2 September 10am-3.30pm

A day for women of all ages to take time to rest, receive and be renewed by God's love. Worship, Bible teaching, delicious food, time to chat, prayer and fun! Speaker Dianne Tidball, President of Baptist Union of Great Britain 2017-18. Venue St Herbert's Church, Braithwaite. Cost £10 (includes lunch and drinks). For more information and to book please see the notice in the Hall.

## I ♥ the Northern Lakes 2018 Calendar



They're here – on the fundraising stall!! And we've kept the price at £5 for both A4 and slimline sizes. There's a sample calendar so you can have a good look at each month's picture. We hope your favourites are there and you enjoy them throughout the year. All photos are taken by church members so this is a unique piece of artwork!



## Emergency News from around the world

- Over the past week, severe flooding in **Nepal, India and Bangladesh** has affected the lives and livelihoods of 17 million people. Christian Aid and other aid organisations are working with their partners in the region to help people whose homes and crops have been lost.
- More than 3,000 people lost their homes in the recent mudslide in **Sierra Leone**, which killed at least 499 people, with more than 600 still missing. There is still an urgent appeal for donations towards relief work through All We Can and Christian Aid.
- All We Can, Christian Aid and other aid organisations are continuing to respond to the threat of famine in **Yemen** (the East Africa Famine Appeal). The situation in Yemen is getting worse. Thousands in Yemen, and in other nations across the region, now face starvation and now cholera. We are urged to continue to do all we can to help.

## Fundraising Stall

All our fundraising items are still available and some have had a price change! Please browse and see if there's anything you might like, whether for yourself or for presents! Available in the Parlour.



- \* I ♥ Northern Lakes 2018 Calendars £5
- \* Sponge & Christmas Puddings £5 & small Christmas puddings £2.50
- \* I ♥ Keswick Bags £3 each or 2 for £5
- \* Recipe books £2 \* Quiz £1 \* Keyrings £1 \* Greetings Cards 50p
- \* Church History booklets £1 \* Paperback Books 50p
- \* [easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/keswickmethodist](http://easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/keswickmethodist)

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## Future Dates:

- **2 September 10am-3.30pm: Refresh** at St Herbert's, Braithwaite
- **Monday 4 September 7.30pm: Local Preacher's Meeting** at Cockermouth
- **Friday 8 September 10am: Removal of organ parts**
- **Saturday 9 September 10am-4pm: District Synod** at Carlisle
- **Tuesday 26 September 7.30pm: Circuit Meeting** at Brigham
- **Tuesday 10 October 10am: Worship Consultation**
- **Wednesday 1 November 2pm: Church Council**

## 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 at the back of the hall. We'd welcome any suggestions you might have to help us improve our hospitality during our redevelopment work.
- **Children** are welcome in our services. Bags and a box of toys and activities is normally available if you need them. If you prefer, you may sit in the Parlour, 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. Tune books and hymn books are available if you'd like to use one.
- **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, starting work next month. 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.