



Keswick Methodist Church

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

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Notices for week commencing 10 September 2017



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Gracious and Loving God, we thank you for all the resources you give to us, not least the property entrusted to our care. Forgive us when our buildings become an end in themselves rather than gifts and tools for mission, service and glorifying God. May our buildings offer worship, sanctuary, community-building, healing and hope, where all are welcome, that our buildings and our lives may declare "This, this is the God we adore, our faithful, unchangeable friend, whose love is as great as his power, and knows neither measure nor end!"

Amen

(Prayer Handbook Day 10)

Sunday 10 September

10.45am Morning Worship led by Marion Beckham
Romans 6: 1-11 | Matthew 10: 24-39

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

6pm Taizé Worship led by Rev Sue Edwards

Tuesday 12 September:

2pm Leadership Team at Holly Bank

Wednesday 13 September:

7.30pm Singing Group in the Hall

Thursday 14 September:

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

Saturday 16 September:

10am Dementia Friends Training at St John's Church

Sunday 17 September:

9.15am Setting up the hall for worship

10.45am Harvest Worship led by Rev Sue Edwards
followed by soup and pudding lunch

7pm Housegroup : *How my faith has shaped my life* - Fiona Weakley

Harvest Celebration 2017**• Gifts for the Foodbank**

Next Sunday is our Harvest celebration service and this year we're asking you all to bring to church one or more items to be donated to the Foodbank. You will be invited to bring these to the front either before or during the service. Please choose items from the Harvest Shopping List which you were given with your notices today. Please note that the Foodbank cannot take fresh products.

• Harvest Lunch

After our Harvest celebration service, we'll be enjoying a church lunch of soup, roll and pudding. Everyone is welcome – just bring a donation for the Foodbank if you're able. To help us know numbers for catering please sign up on the list on the notice board, although we'll do extra for those who haven't been able to let us know! If anyone's able to provide a pudding please let Helen North know (78025).



Dementia Friends Training

Our friends at St John's are hosting a Dementia Friends training session on **Saturday, 16 September**, starting at 10am for about an hour. This is a great opportunity to learn more about dementia and the many small ways we can help those with dementia. Please let me know if you'd like to go.



Anne Hasson (75818)

Setting up the Hall for Worship

Now that we've been meeting in the hall for a few weeks we realise that we need some extra volunteers to help set it up each Sunday morning, as well as put everything away afterwards! We need about four people each week and have put a rota on the notice board in the hall. Please do put your name against the weeks you can do. Setting up involves putting the chairs out in the hall, setting up the area at the front for the preacher and the keyboard at the back for the organist, as well as getting tables and chairs out in the parlour for coffee after the service and making sure the fundraising stall's out. As there'll be a team of us, any help is welcome!

Organ Removal

Thank you so much to all those who in any way helped on Thursday and Friday to dismantle the organ. We had a very productive two days and discovered that the pipes and boxes, etc are in very good condition and will be able to be used in prolonging the life of other organs in this country and abroad. In fact some of the organ is already on its way to Germany to be installed in an organ there. We still have the blower and some other parts to take out and the organ adviser is hoping to come back on Thursday or Friday to do this with our help. If you'll be available on either of those days please let me know and I'll contact you as soon as we know when he'll be coming to Keswick.



David Hasson (75818)

PS For those who are interested, there are a number of photos on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/keswickmethodistchurch>.



STOP PRESS!



Thank you so much for all the kind donations, helping to restock our empty shelves. Stock levels are definitely increasing, but we're still short of the items to the left. 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)

South Asia Floods Appeal

Christian Aid has launched an appeal for the South Asia floods. An estimated 1,200 lives have been lost, while survivors' homes



and livelihoods have been destroyed. Hundreds of thousands of people have been evacuated from the worst hit areas and are living in temporary shelters. Christian Aid's partners in India, Nepal and Bangladesh are helping people whose homes and crops have been lost. They are providing safe drinking water, hygiene materials, tarpaulin and ground sheeting for shelters, and mosquito nets. They are also educating survivors on good hygiene practices to limit the spread of water-borne diseases, such as cholera. There will be a retiring collection for the appeal this week. The collection point is in the parlour where you came in. If you wish to gift aid your donation there are appeal envelopes available.



Vision21 Quiz : The September quiz is our last one as we've reached our current fundraising target! To celebrate we've made it easy for you!

It's called *Multiple Choice*! As usual it costs £1 and there's a £10 gift card prize. The closing date is 30 September. The winner of the August quiz was Mrs M McNeill of Haddington – congratulations!



Helen North & Anne Hasson

I ♥ the Northern Lakes 2018 Calendar



Our unique 2018 calendars are available from 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, all taken by church members! We hope your favourites are there and you enjoy them throughout the year.

Preaching with the Imagination:

23 September 10am-4pm at Wigton Road Methodist Church, Carlisle with Rev Dr Kate Bruce

For local preachers, worship leaders or anyone interested in preaching and bringing the Bible alive for others. Bring and share lunch. For more details contact Rev David Firth 01228 525540 / dfirth3672@aol.com.



Barnabas – the musical :

Saturday 23 September 7.30pm at Penrith Methodist Church

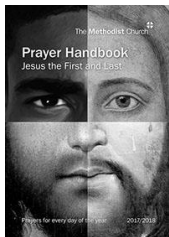
Roger Jones conducts a special local choir in his musical about Paul and Barnabas' travels to Cyprus (Acts 13). Tickets are £6 or £3 for 18s and under, available from Penrith Methodist Church Office, Style-Line, Penrith TIC or on the door.

Growing Through Conflict Foundation Day:

26 September 9.30am-4pm at Quaker Meeting House

CTiC (Churches Together in Cumbria) training in conjunction with Place for Hope. Consider your 'conflict style' and how you respond in difficult or tense situations. Explore how conflict escalates in a church context and consider some tools for de-escalation. For any in leadership in churches. £10. For more information please contact Brec Seaton: seatonb@methodistchurch.org.uk To book and pay please contact Helen Boothroyd: hbctic@tiscali.co.uk.

Methodist Prayer Handbook 2017-2018 : Jesus the First and Last



The latest Prayer Handbook is now available at the discounted price of **£3.50**. It's arranged as a monthly cycle and you can use the book as a focus for your daily prayer and start the cycle again at the beginning of each month, or just open it at any page. Classic prayers are interwoven with new contributions from Methodists across the districts and around the world. It also includes a daily lectionary with a suggested hymn to accompany and guide you through the year.

Fundraising Stall



It's been decided to disband the Fundraising Group as we've met our target fundraising for the redevelopment. However, we still have some fundraising items available to purchase – many with a price reduction! 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 Puddings £5 & small Christmas puddings £2.50
 - * I ♥ Keswick Bags £3 each or 2 for £5 * Recipe books £2
 - * Quiz £1 * Keyrings £1 * Church History booklets £1
 - * Greetings Cards 50p * Paperback Books 50p
- Anne (75818)



Sainsbury's ditched Fairtrade

Sainsbury's is the largest retailer of Fairtrade products in the UK. But they've decided to drop the Fairtrade Mark from their own-brand tea and replace it with their own 'Fairly Traded' label instead. Sainsbury's has abandoned Fairtrade certification to set up its own pilot scheme, saying they want to secure their supply chain. 'Fairly Traded' sounds a lot like Fairtrade, but it doesn't have the same gold standards. It is self-run by Sainsbury's but most importantly it takes control away from tea farmers. The new scheme is untested, unverified and unwanted and the 'Fairly Traded' label is likely to mislead customers. If you can, please sign the email petition urging Sainsbury's to reconsider. Go to the Fairtrade Foundation website at fairtrade.org.uk and click on 'WHAT CAN I DO?'

Roy Ellis (73340)

Pearl Wilson

We were sorry to hear of the death of Pearl on 30 August. Our sympathies and prayers are with Arthur and her family. The funeral will take place at St Jhn's Church on Friday, 15 September at 1pm.

Travels of the I♥KESWICK bag

The #lovekeswickbag has found a new lease of life recently. It's having a break from fell-walking, and has been on its holidays abroad! So, it's been seen:

- at Palma, Majorca with Sue Graham (we're sure Lloyd was there too and took the photo!)
- visiting the Abbey gardens at Les Jardins de Valloires in France with Dennis and Michelle Compton.



Follow the bag's travels at **#lovekeswickbag** on Facebook or Twitter – or on our Facebook page. *Buy a bag for only £3 or two for £5 at church or the Cheese Deli in Packhorse Court and join the travels!*

Future Dates:

- **Saturday 23 September 10am-4pm: Preaching with the Imagination** at Wigton Road Methodist Church, Carlisle
- **Tuesday 26 September 9.30am-4pm: Growing through Conflict Day** at Quaker Meeting House
- **Tuesday 26 September 7.30pm: Circuit Meeting** at Brigham
- **Saturday 7 October 10am-4pm: Celebrating Together Day (CTiC)** *Made in God's Image: exploring gender & discipleship* at Ambleside
- **Tuesday 10 October 10am: Worship Planning**
- **Wednesday 1 November 2pm: Church Council**
- **Thursday 23 November 2pm (& 5 weeks following): Advent Midweek Study Group – "A Christmas Carol"**
- **Friday 24 November 10am-3.30pm: Quiet Day** at Bassenthwaite
- **Sunday 10 December: Church Lunch** at Keswick Hotel

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 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. 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, with the builders 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.

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.