



Keswick Methodist Church

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

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Notices for week commencing 3 September 2017



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Loving God, journey with me this new Methodist connexional year, so that I may feel your presence, abide in your forgiveness, grow in your strength, and dwell in your love. Give me an open heart, an open mind, and open eyes so that I may sing your praise and follow your path always and everywhere. Amen

Sunday 3 September

10.45am Morning Worship & Holy Communion

led by Rev Keith Rushton

Romans 12: 9-21 | Matthew 16: 21-28

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

7pm Housegroup at Roy & Joyce's:

Exploring our Methodist Heritage

Monday 4 September:

7.30pm Local Preachers Meeting at Cockermouth (Lorton St)

Thursday 7 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

Friday 8 September:

10am onwards Organ Removal Working Party in the church

Saturday 9 September:

9.30am-3pm Cumbria District Synod at Carlisle

Sunday 10 September:

10.45am Morning Worship led by Marion Beckham

6pm Taize Worship led by Rev Sue Edwards

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.

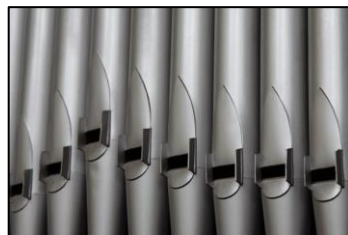
Moses, Kim and family

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 8th 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 LATEST!

Thank you so much for all the kind donations, helping to restock our empty shelves. Stock levels are beginning to increase, which is wonderful! Keep it coming please! Items needed this week are shown on 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)

Church Newsletter & Plan

If you haven't had your copy of the current Church Newsletter and the Plan please pick up a copy of each from the table in the Parlour.

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.



Vision 21 jars!

So far, our small change jars have raised over £250 towards the redevelopment! Well done everyone – it's amazing what small change can add up to!





Keswick Convention 2018

As many of you know, there has been an outcry by some businesses in Keswick regarding the Convention's choice of dates for 2018. Keswick Ministries has now announced a change of dates for next year's Convention to take place 14 July-3 August. They have also fixed the 2019 dates as 13 July-2 August. The Chair of Trustees, John Risbridger, said "We want to act in a way that honours our supporters, the people of Keswick, and our Christian faith. We have therefore listened carefully and made the decision to change the 2018 dates, reflecting how highly we value the support of our neighbours across Keswick". The full press release is on the notice board and also on the Keswick Ministries website. Please continue to pray for the relationship between Keswick Ministries and those affected by the Convention in the town.

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.



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.

Emergency News from around the world

- Over the past weeks, 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 500 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 including DEC are continuing to respond to the situation in **Yemen** (the East Africa Famine Appeal or Yemen Crisis Appeal). The situation in Yemen is getting worse. More than 10 million people need immediate lifesaving humanitarian assistance as they 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

Future Dates:

- **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
- **Saturday 7 October 10am-4pm: Celebrating Together Day (CTiC)**
Made in God's Image: exploring gender & discipleship at Ambleside
- **Tuesday 10 October 10am: Worship Consultation**
- **Wednesday 1 November 2pm: Church Council**

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.