

ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH

Huddersfield Road, Halifax

Sunday 26th October 2014



10.30 a.m. Morning Worship
conducted by the Rev Brian Peace

6.00 p.m. Evening Worship with Holy Communion
conducted by the Rev Graham Smith

*Our Mission is to share the Love of God
as revealed by Christ, through the Holy Spirit*

Junior Church meets every Sunday from 10.30 a.m. except on the 1st Sunday of the month when we have our All Age Worship & Parade Service.

There is a crèche in the coffee bar for babies under 3 years.

We hope you will join us for coffee after morning worship.

If you are new to our church, please make yourself known to one of the stewards.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Please pray for

- Rev Brian Peace and the Rev Graham Smith and all who take part in our Services today.
- For those sitting near to you.
- If you have a subject for prayer which you would like to be included in our prayers for others, please write it briefly on the slip available from the Door Stewards, for collection during the service.

10.30 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP CONDUCTED BY THE REV BRIAN PEACE

WELCOME:

HYMN: StF 347 Crown him with many crowns...

PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:

WORD WITH THE CHILDREN:

HYMN: SoF 939 Name of all majesty...

THE CHILDREN LEAVE WITH THE BLESSING:

Lord Jesus bless our church, bless those who leave and those who stay. Help us to love you more each day Amen.

THE OFFERING AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING:

READING: 1 Corinthians chapter 13 (N.T. page 217)

HYMN: StF 256 When I needed a neighbour

READING: Luke chapter 10 verses 25 – 37 (N.T. page 91)

SERMON:

HYMN: StF 636 O love that wilt not let me go...

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

HYMN: StF 503 Love divine, all loves excelling...

THE BLESSING:

6.00 P.M. EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION CONDUCTED BY THE REV GRAHAM SMITH

A SENTENCE OF SCRIPTURE IS READ AND A WELCOME FROM THE MINISTER:

HYMN: StF 449 Lord of creation, to you be all praise...

PRAYERS:

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY:

READING: Deuteronomy ch 34 vs 1 – 12 *The Death of Moses* (O.T. page 207)

HYMN: StF 116 Sing for God's glory that colours the dawn of creation...

GOSPEL READING: Matthew ch 22 vs 34 – 46 *The greatest commandment* (N.T. page 33)

THE SERMON: 'Seeing From Afar'

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

THE PEACE:

THE PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS:

HYMN: StF 576 Bread is blessed and broken...

THE THANKSGIVING PRAYER:

THE BREAD IS BROKEN AND DISTRIBUTED:

A FINAL PRAYER:

HYMN: StF 320 Father, whose everlasting love...

THE DISMISSAL:

Organist : Mr David Whiteley

A MEETING FOR PRAYER is held every Sunday morning from 10.00 a.m. – 10.20 a.m. in the Playgroup Room and we invite all to join us as we bring our concerns and prayers for our Church; other people and ourselves to the Lord – please do come and share in this special time of "Talking with God" as we ask Him to lead us forward as a Church Family and as individuals –

Lord, God, by whom all change is wrought, by whom new things to birth are brought,

In whom no change is known;

Whate'er thou dost, whate'er thou art, thy people still in thee have part;

Still, still thou art our own.

(H&P 39 verse 1 – Thomas Hornblower Gill (1819-1906))

- PLEASE COME, IF ONLY TO SIT QUIETLY AND PRAY SILENTLY -

OPEN TO GOD – meets every Wednesday morning at 10.00 a.m. and during October will be held here at **St Andrew's** - the leader this coming Wednesday will be Mr Ken Speake.

A CIRCUIT SERVICE will be held at Mount Zion on Sunday 2nd November at 2.45 p.m. to commemorate the end of an Era of Worship at Mount Zion from 1773 – 2014 (241 years). The Rev Alistair Newton will lead the Service and you are invited to go along and join friends at Mount Zion for this special service.

CHURCH WEEKEND - Friday 13th to Sunday 15th March 2015 - If you are interested in joining us on the Church Weekend please add your name to the list and give Glenda a £20 deposit. Leaflets about the weekend are available in the Church entrance. We are going to Grange-over-Sands again as the hotel offers a sea view and lots of comfortable space for fellowship together. All rooms are en-suite and there are single, twin and double rooms. We enjoy a weekend of Christian fellowship together, with time to enjoy the surrounding areas.

PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP – on behalf of the Church family we want to express a great big “Thank you” to Glenda who has run this very successful Group for many, many years but who sadly now can no longer carry on leading the Toddler Group on a Monday morning. It is good to have Glenda back amongst us and it is indeed true to say that only when a person is not there is it possible to know exactly how much that person does. We thank God for all the hard work that Glenda has achieved with this group and thank Him again that she is now able to slowly take up her work with our Church family again and pray that she will continue to make a full and lasting recovery – **thank you Glenda from the Church Family at St Andrew's and all those who have been part of the fellowship of the Parents & Toddlers Group over many years.**

CHURCH DEVELOPMENT GROUP – UPDATE - We have met with the Rev. Richard Thompson, Project Development Officer for the West Yorkshire District of the Methodist Church. Following our discussions he has submitted an interim report containing useful guidelines covering the importance of Mission, Business Plans, Funding, etc. Our Group will endeavour to get to grips with these and other subjects. We will update you from time to time to keep you all in the picture so, keep your eyes on the church notices - Sam Kilburn. Chairman CDG.

THE GREEN PARK FELLOWSHIP GROUP – are discussing Christian Spirituality at the moment and will meet again this coming Thursday October 30th and then on December 11th. Contact Sue Wright (354736) for details.

THE SEEKERS FELLOWSHIP will meet again on Monday's 3rd November and then again on 1st December and will be continuing the study “Time to Talk of God”. All meetings are held at the home of Vivienne & Enid and begin at 7.30 p.m.

THE MONDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP GROUP which meets monthly at 106 Dudwell Lane will meet again on Monday 17th November and then on Monday 15th December. The group will be pleased to welcome old and new members at 7.30 p.m.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES – a request on behalf of the Counting Stewards is that friends please make sure that any paper money goes in the envelope below the perforated line to stop notes being torn in two – it is a fact that we need extra money but apparently tearing a note into two pieces doesn't make it worth twice as much! – thank you for your help in this matter.

USED STAMPS – for many years now we have collected used stamps for the Leprosy Mission but recently it has become increasingly difficult to get rid of them so from now on instead of the Leprosy Mission we will continue collecting your stamps for **OVERGATE HOSPICE** which is a cause dear to many hearts and practically on our doorstep – so please continue to bring your stamps and put them in the used stamp tin – thank you – Sue Hargreaves.

SOUTHGATE METHODIST CHURCH, ELLAND invites you to their “**All Souls' Day Service**” on Sunday 2nd November 2014 at 6.00 p.m. This will be a service of quiet reflection and a time to remember loved ones who have died, whether recently or longer ago. See Poster on Notice Board.

ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH RASTRICK is holding a Day of Prayer on Saturday 8th November between 10.00 a.m. and 8.00 p.m. The focus this year is “Peace”. There will be prayer stations to encourage visitors to think and pray about different aspects of peace. At each station there will be information, pictures, poetry and activities to direct our thoughts and prayers. See Poster on Notice Board for more information about this event.

THE 2014 POPPY APPEAL - If you haven't already bought your poppy yet this year then there is an opportunity to do so today as there is a box of Poppies in the Vestibule which will be transferred into the Coffee Bar later in the morning. Please give generously and wear your poppy with pride.

A MESSAGE FROM REV PAUL WELCH - on 2nd November at 6.00 p.m. Paul Blakey MBE will be speaking at Illingworth Moor and will be sharing how Street Angels has developed over the years and how it is moving onwards. All Welcome.

FRIENDS OF SABEEL UK IN YORKSHIRE – a film and discussion evening about the treatment of Palestinian child prisoners, based on a recent film and report by Defence for Children International. The event will be held at our usual venue of Holy Trinity Church, Boar Lane, Leeds (just a few minutes walk from Leeds railway station) from 6 to 8 p.m. this coming Wednesday 29th October – For any further information see the notice on the Notice Board.

FOR CICS NEWS – please see the News Sheet on the Notice Board.

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT OFFICES this week is displayed for all to see and read on the Notice Board – it includes the following: - Liquid Worship at Cross Hills tonight at 6.00 p.m. - Halifax Choral Society at the Halifax Minster “Lest We Forget – Sat 8/11/2014 - Circuit Service at Mount Zion – RSCM Bradford Area courses and Workshops 2014 - Food and Support Group report - Info re Volunteer Football Cage Workers – Concert by Credo and guests at Luddendenfoot Civic Centre on 30/10/2014 - Day of Prayer for Peace at St Matthew's Church, Rastrick on 8/11/2014 from 10.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m. – Community Exhibition at Highgate Methodist Church to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the start of the Great War from 7th – 10th November 2014 – Knit – crochet or embroider a Poppy also to commemorate the centenary of the Great War – Order a copy of a DVD made by Your Way (Yahweh) the Youth Choir at Cross Hills - Job Opportunities – Bradford Court Chaplaincy Service require Volunteers - Methodist Evangelicals Together led by Rev Dr Derek Tidball – Touchstone Event – Weaving Women's Wisdom – Developing Healthy Churches : A One Day Seminar led by Canon Robert Warren – Methodist E-News for October – Bible Society News Letter – Methodist Publishing News for September – Fresh Expressions Course – Mission shaped ministry - Taster evening Monday November 17th in Sheffield – World Church Relationships News Bulletin – Job Application for an Administrator at Touchstone – CICS Annual Meeting 19/11/2014 at Northowram – MWIB Advent Reflections with the Rev Dr Roger Walton on Thursday 27/11/2014 – Job Opportunity for Chief Executive at Bradford Churches for Dialogue and Diversity - **please take time to look at the Notice Board and find out what is happening here and in the wider Community.**

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST ANDREW'S DURING THE COMING WEEK –

PLEASE NOTE – NO MEETINGS OF THE YOUTH ORGANISATIONS THIS WEEK DUE TO THE HALF TERM HOLIDAY.

Wednesday	10.00 a.m.	Open to God led by Mr Ken Speake
Friday	7.30 p.m.	Music Group practice
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Early Morning Communion led by the Rev Alistair Newton.
	10.30 a.m.	All Age Worship led by Mrs Stella Christie
	2.45 p.m.	Circuit Service at Mount Zion led by Rev Alistair Newton

During this week please pray for:

The Rev Alistair Newton our Minister and Mrs Stella Christie our Pastoral Lay Worker.

The Rev Alistair Newton and Mrs Stella Christie as they prepare to lead our Worship next Sunday morning at 9.00 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. respectively.

Today we join other members of the Calderdale Circuit as they pray for the Church Family at Cross Hills and for the joint ministry of the Rev's Francis Neil and Colin Sherwood.

Alison Dobson, Rev Alistair and Sue Ng as they prepare to lead Worship next Sunday at Hebden Bridge, Highgate, Mount Zion and St Paul's, Sowerby Bridge.

Members of the St Andrew's Church Family who need our prayers and for those who are not well at this time either in hospital or recovering at home and for those who have family members unwell at this time. Pray that the Loving Lord Jesus will sustain them all through their time of worry and anxiety for their loved ones.

IMPORTANT ring Dorothy (250509) regarding lettings or if you want to use a room. Items for the News Sheet please send to Enid by email to j.turner302@btinternet.com or by phone (362654) Our website www.standrewshalifax.org.uk