

# ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH

Huddersfield Road, Halifax

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2015



**St Andrew's Methodist Church, Halifax**  
**50 year Celebration**  
**1965 - 2015**

10.30 a.m. – Morning Worship conducted by the Rev Alistair Newton

6.00 p.m. – Evening Worship – “Modern Hymns We Love”  
led by Mrs Sybil Oakley

*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 1<sup>st</sup> 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

- Alistair and Sybil 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.

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## 10.30 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP CONDUCTED BY THE REV ALISTAIR NEWTON

### CALL TO WORSHIP:

HYMN: StF 332 Lord I lift your name on high ...

### PRAYERS:

### TALK TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE:

HYMN: StF 338 There is a redeemer...

### THE YOUNG PEOPLE 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.

READING: Acts chapter 1 verses 6 – 11 (N.T. page 148)

HYMN: StF 148 Come, let us with our Lord arise...

READING: Ephesians chapter 2 verses 1 – 10 (N.T. page 241)

### SERMON:

HYMN: StF 455 All my hope on God is founded...

### THE OFFERING AND DEDICATION:

### PRAYERS AND LORD'S PRAYER:

HYMN: StF 345 And can it be...

### BLESSING:

## 6.00 P.M. EVENING WORSHIP – “MODERN HYMNS WE LOVE” LED BY MRS SYBIL OAKLEY

### WELCOME:

HYMN: StF 59 Shine, Jesus Shine...chosen by Sybil

### PRAYERS and THE LORD'S PRAYER:

HYMN: StF 363 My Jesus, my Saviour...chosen by Janet

READING: Psalm 100 read from Good News Bible by Graham

HYMN: StF 247 Lord of the Dance...chosen by Hazel

READING: Acts chapter 2 verses 1 – 4 read by Leah (N.T. page 241)

HYMN: StF 520 Give to me, Lord, a thankful heart...chosen by Lorna

HYMN: You can't be a beacon...chosen by Marion (see screen)

HYMN: StF 481 The Lord's my Shepherd...chosen by Ruth

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: Led by Janet

HYMN: StF 424 God forgave my sin in Jesus' name...chosen by Vivienne

HYMN: StF 351 In Christ alone...chosen by Margaret (Burton)

BENEDICTION: Go in peace (1982)...

(Organist – Mr David Whiteley)

**A MEETING FOR PRAYER** is held every Sunday morning from 10.00 a.m. – 10.20 a.m. - in the **Quiet 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 –

**Let every Christian pray, this day and every day, come, Holy Spirit, come!**

**Was not the Church we love commissioned from above?**

**Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

**Only the Spirit's power can fit us for this hour: come, Holy Spirit, come!**

**Instruct, inspire, unite; and make us see the light: Come, Holy Spirit, come!**

(StF 388 verses 1 & 3 - Fred Pratt Green 1903 – 2000)

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

**OPEN TO GOD** – meets every Wednesday morning at 10.00 a.m. and during **May** is being held at **Illingworth Moor** - the leader this coming Wednesday will be the Rev Francis Neil.

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK – MAY 10<sup>TH</sup> TO 16<sup>TH</sup>** - Thank you very much to those who have been delivering and collecting envelopes locally during last week. If you did not receive an envelope at your home address and would like to make a contribution, please take an envelope from the vestibule table and then place it on the offertory plate or give it to me. There are also quiz sheets, with questions on a Yorkshire theme, available at the cost of £1. Thanks again, Lesley Wood.

**DIARY DATE REMINDERS** – just a reminder of some of the things planned during the next few weeks – please mark these dates in your diaries and come along and join in -

- **Today - at 6.00 p.m.** **“Modern Hymns We Love”**  
**led by Mrs Sybil Oakley**
- **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30 a.m.** **Café Worship in the Main Hall led by the**  
**Rev John Savile**
- **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30 a.m.** **Morning Worship led by the Rev Christine Hey**
- **Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 5.00 p.m.** **Strawberry Tea and Praise Service led by the**  
**Rev Alistair Newton**
- **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July** **In the early evening, John and Sharon Harbottle**  
**are coming to St Andrew’s to share their life in Haiti with us. More details later.**

**THE MONDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP GROUP** which meets monthly at 106 Dudwell Lane will meet tomorrow evening - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015 and thereafter on the third Monday in the month unless advised differently. The group will be pleased to welcome new members at 7.30 p.m.

**THE GREEN PARK FELLOWSHIP GROUP** – will meet again this coming Thursday - 21<sup>st</sup> May 2015 and then on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> June - Contact Sue Wright (354736) for details.

**THE SEEKERS FELLOWSHIP** will meet again on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015 at the home of Vivienne and Enid and thereafter on the first Monday of the month unless otherwise notified, all meetings start at 7.30 p.m. New members always welcome, please ring Margaret Caulfield (363686) for further details

**O & A** have a new Quiz available and this one is about **BIRDS** – it costs £1.00 per copy and is available from Sue or Tricia who will be in the Coffee Lounge after Worship this morning. Please stop them and buy one – THANK YOU – All proceeds for “Ravenscliffe@Spring Hall.

**FESTIVAL 2015 AT CLIFF COLLEGE – Calderdale Circuit Trip on Bank Holiday Monday – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2015** – please take time to read the Notice on the Notice Board.

**HOLIDAY AT HOME coming to ST ANDREW’S** on 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> of August 2015 from 10.00 a.m. – 4.30 p.m. each day – please pick up one of the Application forms from the Vestibule Table, fill it in and give it to either Stella or Glenda to book your place – one, two or all three days for you to choose from – if you’ve been before we will be very pleased to see you again, if not we shall be pleased to welcome you for the first time – whichever we will be very pleased to see you there.

**AN APPEAL FROM YOUTH FOR CHRIST CALDERDALE** - you are aware we run a detached youth work project in and around the town centre and at this present time we are short on volunteers. We have Laura as our only paid employee and due to the nature of the job she cannot go out on the streets alone. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer then please contact Jon Munt on either of the following telephone numbers - 01422 322774 or 07547881650 – your help will be very much appreciated – thank you.

**FAMILY FUN DAY** – on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July we are holding a “**Family Fun Morning**” which will run from 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. jointly run by the Messy Church Team and the Monday Morning Toddler Group Team. We are having a Seaside theme and will be doing all kinds of activities and we will be very pleased if you will save us your empty cardboard boxes, cardboard tubes of all sizes, yoghurt pots, lolly sticks etc? for these activities. Please will you store these for us at home until nearer the time as we do not have very much storage room at Church – thank you. Please come along with your children even if you are not members of either of the two groups mentioned.

**THE VICE PRESIDENT of the Methodist Conference** Mrs Gill Dascombe is coming to visit the Calderdale Circuit on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May. She is coming to visit the two Circuit Projects we have **BUSOASIS** and **MOUNT ZION HERITAGE CHAPEL**. Gill has kindly offered to do a half hour reflection at Mount Zion to which you are invited at 11.30 a.m. If you would like to bring a packed lunch for afterwards, drinks will be available.

**A HUGE THANK YOU COMES FROM THE NEW EBENEZER FOOD DROP IN CENTRE** to everyone for their contributions. This week they are very short of tinned vegetables, cereals, rice, instant noodles, complete cat food and fillings to put into sandwiches. Sandwich fillings and instant meals such as noodles are vital for people who may have a kettle but no cooker. They are also short of shoes, socks, walking boots and trainers, bath towels, tea towels and DOUBLE SIZE BEDDING including; double sheets, double quilts, quilt covers, pillows and blankets.

**THE O & A GROUP** recently took the decision to launch their next Appeal (which is still to be decided) at Harvest Time at the beginning of October. The Appeal for “Ravenscliffe@Spring Hall will remain open for a short while yet and if anyone would like to make further donations for this very worthwhile project O & A will be very pleased to receive them. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations and continued support for this Appeal, it is very much appreciated.

**THE KNITTED BIBLE IS COMING TO CALDERDALE!** – please see the Notice re this exhibition which is to be held at Clifton Methodist Church during May.

**CHRISTIANS TOGETHER CALDERDALE** - Christians Together Calderdale are now well into running The Gathering Place, Christmas Day dinner, the Winter Shelter, Saturday Gathering, Empower, Thursday Gathering and The Banqueting Table to name but a few of the events taking place regularly. But our dreams are for more and especially to do more to support the vulnerable community that we serve, through what could be turbulent times ahead. We have two paid positions that we are really looking forward to filling and would be grateful if you would pass them on to anyone who is interested. We would be delighted to talk to anyone who would like to know more informally and to show them around or show them any of the gatherings. Many Thanks. Shalom – Linda Maslen – 07595949153 – See Job Applications on the Notice Board.

**NEWS ITEMS FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT** are from Food Drop in Centre - The Bible Society News Letter for this week – The Methodist E News for April 2015 – Programme of Interfaith Events at Bradford Literature Festival from 15<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> May 2015 – Festival 2015 at Cliff College – Calderdale Circuit Trip on Bank Holiday Monday (25/05/2015) with free coach travel – Candidates Support Group information for 2015/2016 – An Evening with Stuart Townend on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May at Hope Baptist Church – Boothtown & Southowram Choir Weekend 16/17<sup>th</sup> May 2015 – Celebrate Pentecost at Cross Hills on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 3.00 p.m. - Taize Service at Central Methodist Church, Brighouse on 24/05/2015 – Worship leading and preaching meetings at various venues during May and June (see amended leaflet) - Christians Together Spring News Letter - MWiB “Last of the Summer Supper” 24/06/15 at Holmfirth Methodist Church – Flower Festival at the Halifax Minster to celebrate The Duke of Wellington’s Regiment and commemorate the Bicentenary of the Battle of Waterloo 1815 to 2015 19<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> June 2015 – Admission £3.00 - See Posters and information on the Notice Board re all these things happening in coming weeks -

#### **WHAT’S HAPPENING AT ST ANDREW’S DURING THE COMING WEEK:**

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00 a.m.	St Andrew’s Toddler Group
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>7.00 p.m.</b>	Ladies Club – “ <b>Birthday Party</b> ” – please note time
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	6.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.	Rainbows/Brownies/Cubs/Beavers/Scouts
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30 a.m.	Own Arrangement Service
	6.00 p.m.	Evening Worship with Holy Communion
		Conducted by the 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 and all who take part in our Services next Sunday as they prepare to lead our Worship on that day.

Today we join with other members of the Calderdale Circuit as together we all pray for the Church Family at Northowram and for their Minister the Rev Patrick Taylor.

For John Hargreaves and the Rev Alistair as they prepare to lead Worship at Cross Hills and Highgate next Sunday morning.

For all Ministerial Staff and Local Preachers who are part of the St Andrew’s Church Family and the Calderdale Circuit as they spend time in preparation for their next Preaching appointments.

Members of the St Andrew’s Church Family who need our prayers at this time, for those who are not well either in hospital or recovering at home and for those who have family members or friends unwell at this time. Pray that the Loving Lord Jesus will sustain them all through their time of worry and anxiety for themselves and 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](mailto:j.turner302@btinternet.com) or by phone (362654)

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