# ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH

**Huddersfield Road, Halifax** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2013



10.30 a.m. Morning Worship with Holy Communion for Pentecost conducted by the Rev Alistair Newton

> 6.00 p.m. Praise Service conducted by members of the Praise Team **Preacher: The Rev Stephen Barnett**

> > '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

- The Rev Alistair Newton, The Rev Stephen Barnett and members of the Praise Team 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 WITH HOLY COMMUNION FOR PENTECOST CONDUCTED BY THE REV ALISTAIR NEWTON

WELCOME:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

StF 564 HYMN: O thou who camest from above

PRAYERS:

StF 385 Holy Spirit, we welcome you

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HYMN: **BIBLE READING:** Joel chapter 2 verses 28 - 32

HYMN: StF 391 O breath of life, come sweeping through us

DRAMATISED BIBLE READING: Acts chapter 2

SERMON:

VIDEO: 'Consuming Fire' by Tim Hughes

(Offering taking during the video)

PRAYERS:

JUNIOR CHURCH JOIN THE CONGREGATION:

THE PEACE:

HYMN: StF 586 Here is the bread, here is the wine

THE LORD'S SUPPER:

StF 397 HYMN: The Spirit lives to set us free

THE BLESSING:

Organist: Mr David Whiteley

6.00 P.M. PRAISE SERVICE CONDUCTED BY MEMBERS OF THE PRAISE TEAM PREACHER: THE REV STEPHEN BARNETT

SONG: 510

WELCOME: (Tim)

**WORSHIP SONGS 1:** 963, 646

**OPENING PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:** 

**WORSHIP SONGS 2:** 459, 677

READING: Acts chapter 2 verses 1 - 21

SERMON: 'The Five Ps' (The Rev Stephen Barnett)

**WORSHIP SONGS 3:** 188. 955 PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: **WORSHIP SONGS 4:** 111, 520

BLESSING:

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - This year we have been urged to "BITE BACK AT HUNGER" - Thank you very much to those who have delivered and collected envelopes locally. If you have not had an envelope at your home address and would like to make a contribution, please take an envelope from the vestibule table today 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 in the vestibule at the cost of £1. Thanks again, Lesley Wood.

**OUR NEW SOUND SYSTEM** - Hopefully you are all enjoying pristine sound, now that we have the new system in church! You'll have noticed that there are now 2 people at the desk, as one person operates the slides (as normal) and one person switches the microphones on & off as the preacher requires. It's a very simple job to do, but we need some help. If you are willing to be added to a Sunday morning rota to press a button on/off when the preacher or reader starts/stops speaking, please can you give your name to Graham Oakley or Kirsty Shillito (or via Gregg)? Training will be provided, but it is very easy! Thank you, Kirsty.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOLIDAY (AT HOME) AT SUNNY ST ANDREW'S BY THE HOSPITAL if you would - please pick up a leaflet TODAY from the Vestibule Table - fill it in and return it to either Stella or Glenda to book a place – the Holiday will be happening on 6th, 7th and 8th August and you can come every day or for two days or just for one day - the choice is yours - it's as simple as picking up a pen and filling in the form - hope to see you there.

THE CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED COURSE ENDS THIS COMING TUESDAY – so we meet on 21<sup>ST</sup> May 2013 at 7.00 p.m. for our last instalment of the Course – The Course has given all those who have managed to attend a new insight into what it really means to be a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ and being a Christian in today's world and has also given us an opportunity to hear again some familiar bible passages and made us think through what they mean in perhaps a different way – The course Christianity Explored has given us time and space to consider the big questions of life and to explore the life of the person at the heart of the Christian faith - Jesus Christ – It has been good to start each evening with a light meal and the fellowship around the table has been a good time to get to know one another better and our most grateful thanks must go to everyone who has prepared these meals for us, they have all been very much enjoyed. A huge thank you to the Rev Alistair, Stella and members of the Evangelism Group for arranging the Course and giving us this opportunity of sharing meals, thoughts and concerns together.

**THE SEEKERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP** will next meet on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2013. All meetings begin at 7.30 p.m. at the home of Vivienne and Enid. The group will be pleased to welcome new friends to join them. If you want to find out more please contact Margaret Caulfield (363686).

**THE GREEN PARK FELLOWSHIP GROUP** will meet next on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>June. Please note the Green Park Fellowship Group will then continue to meet monthly on a Thursday evening. New members always welcome. Ring Sue Wright (354736) for details.

**OPEN TO GOD** – meets every Wednesday morning at 10.00 a.m. and during May will be held at Salem, the leader this week is the Rev Alistair Newton.

**TRIP ON WEDNESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JULY** - we will be leaving St. Andrew's at 9.15 a.m. to go to Rotherham Boundary Mill and Sheffield Botanical Gardens. The trip costs £22.00 which includes lunch and a drink, Afternoon tea and the coach. We will arrive back about 7ish. If you would like to join us please give your name to Glenda a.s.a.p. The trip is open to everyone.

CIRCUIT SERVICE On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, the circuit will come together to worship at a circuit service to be held at Southgate Methodist Church, Elland. On that Sunday morning, all the Churches within the circuit will be closed so we can all come together as family of Methodists. to worship God and to share fellowship one with another. The theme of our time together is "Facing The Challenge" based on the lectionary lessons set for the 2<sup>nd</sup> June. A small planning team has met together and we believe have organised a memorable time of worship. The morning will start at 11.00am, which is late enough to allow people to travel from all sections of the circuit. We begin together in Church to offer to God our praises and to be led in prayer and hear the word of God read. We shall also celebrate with some of the circuit Local Preachers who are to be presented with certificates for long service. After half an hour or so you will have choice of types of worship in various parts of Southgate. A traditional service will continue in the Church, where our Superintendent Minister. Rev Alistair, will be the preacher. Or you may feel led to share in another type of worship activity. We are offering: A Discussion Group: Meditative Worship: Worship Through Art: A Prayer Station. For young people there will be messy Church, a worship band and crèche facilities and outside in the car park, (not just for young people) there will be the football cage which the circuit has bought for mission and outreach. Once the worship is over we invite you to bring a picnic lunch and continue the fellowship together, drinks will be provided. This gives you a golden opportunity to catch up with old friends and, more importantly, make new ones from different parts of the Calderdale Circuit. The planning team are very excited about the service, and we do hope you will join us on 2<sup>nd</sup> June and experience being part of a large worshiping community - as -you have no excuses!! In the meantime, please remember the service and those taking part in it in your prayers and pray that our time together will truly be a period of great blessing for all. As there are no other morning services being held in the Circuit on this day we hope as many as possible from St Andrew's will try their best to attend. If you can offer lifts in your car or would like a lift will you please sign the sheet on the Vestibule Table. There is a copy of this letter AND Car Parking details on the Notice Board in the Corridor.

**THE LADIES CLUB** - will all members of the Ladies Club please note that due to the cancellation of the Birthday Party on Wednesday of this week the Ladies are now meeting at the **Water Mill** at **6.15 p.m.** for a meal which will begin at 6.30 p.m. – hope you have an enjoyable evening together.

**2014 CHURCH WEEK-END** – The Church Week-End Away next year has been fixed for  $21^{st} - 23^{rd}$  March at Grange-over-Sands and the price will be the same. Book these dates in your diaries now.

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**JOB OPPORTUNITIES** – there is information available on the Notice Board about three "Job Opportunities" two in nearby Circuits and one at the St Augustine's Centre in Halifax – Please take time to read the information – who knows one, two or three of these openings may be 'Just the Job' for someone you may know.

**BRING OUT YOUR BLING** – if you have any items of 'Bling' (old jewellery) that you would like to dispose of then now is the time to do it. The Rev Christine Perry is asking for items to sell at the Circuit Garden Party. If you have anything please bring it with you to Church and give it to Enid who will pass it on to the Rev Christine.

**HOME MISSION BOXES** – if you have a Home Mission box please will you bring it in for emptying – Thank you – Janet Holroyd.

**CIRCUIT GARDEN PARTY AT WARLEY HOUSE** on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2013 - the Circuit Stewards are running the tombola stall at the forthcoming Warley Garden Party and require suitable items for the stall (as many as possible please). If you have any items for the stall please bring them to Church and give them to David Miller - your assistance will be very much appreciated – Thank you. There are also copies of a Quiz "All Creatures Great and Small" available from the Vestibule Table for you to take part in - £1 each.

THE HALIFAX CHARITY GALA will take place at Manor Heath on Saturday 8th June and once again the CICS team would value some help:- Could you ride a bicycle or some wheeled transport in the procession? Could you help prepare the procession? Are you over 18 and willing to collect along the procession? Could you help set up on Friday afternoon from 2.00? Could you help running events (penalty shoot out, coconut shy, splat the rat) on Saturday? even an hour would be appreciated. Could you spare an hour to help pick up litter on Sunday morning? Please reply to this email if you can help. Many of you met the Acting Chaplain of Trinity Academy, Rev Marcus Bull, at our Annual Open Evening recently - we at CICS are pleased that he is God's choice for Chaplain there and offer him our Congratulations and hope that our ties will be strengthened. Have you a bit of space in your garden, allotment or on your patio? We have very kindly been given some STRAWBERRY PLANTS to sell for our funds. Please contact me and I will get them to you or you can pick them up from the Gala. Yours, Rosemary Wright - office@cicscalderdale.org.uk

**EVENTS NOTICES** – <u>LOTS TO READ AGAIN THIS WEEK</u> - Christians Together in Calderdale News Letter – Afternoon Teas at Lumbutts Methodist Church on various dates during the coming months - Update from the Circuit Church and Society Group – Open Days at Mount Zion - 1<sup>st</sup> June Circuit Garden Party at Warley House – Help and Goods Wanted Poster – Flower Festival at Upermill Methodist Church over the week-end of 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> June - Mission Event at St Andrew's 16<sup>th</sup> June – information on the Notice Board.

#### THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S

Monday 9.00 a.m. Parent & Toddler Group Tuesday 6.15 p.m. Cubs and Beavers

7.00 p.m. Exploring Christianity Course

Wednesday 6.15 p.m. Ladies Club Meal at the Water Mill

Thursday 6.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. Rainbows/Brownies/Scouts

7.30 p.m. O & A Meeting at the home of Tricia & Neil

### During this week please pray for:

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

The Rev Ian Coverdale as he prepares to lead our Morning Worship at 10.30 a.m. and the Rev Heather Taylor as she prepares to lead our Evening Worship at 6.00 p.m. next Sunday.

Ann Ashton and the Rev Alistair, as they prepare to lead Worship at Boothtown & Southowram, Brighouse Central and Southgate, Elland next Sunday.

Today the Circuit prays for the Church family at Blackshaw Head and for their Minister the Rev Heather Taylor.

Members of the St Andrew's Church Family 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.

**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 <u>i.turner302@btinternet.com</u> or by phone (362654)

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