

# ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH

Huddersfield Road, Halifax  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2013  
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT



10.30 a.m. Morning Worship  
conducted by Dr John Hargreaves

6.00 p.m. Evening Service  
conducted by Miss Ann Ashton

**‘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

- Dr John Hargreaves, Mrs Janet Holroyd and Miss Ann Ashton 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 DR JOHN HARGREAVES  
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT  
THEME – “WHAT DOES DISCIPLESHIP MEAN TO YOU”

## CALL TO WORSHIP:

HYMN: H&P 66 Great is thy faithfulness

## PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:

READING: Luke chapter 5 verses 1 – 11

WORD WITH THE CHILDREN: Worship Leader – Janet Holroyd

HYMN: H&P 704 O Jesus, I have promised

## 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 & DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING:

READING: Genesis chapter 12 verses 1 - 9

HYMN: H&P 201 Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious

SERMON: “Discipleship”

HYMN: H&P 141 Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult

## PRAYERS:

HYMN: H&P 728 How can we sinners know

## THE BLESSING:

6.00 P.M. EVENING WORSHIP  
CONDUCTED BY MISS ANN ASHTON  
MISEREOR CLOTH FROM HAITI

HYMN: StF 20

Be still for the presence of the Lord

## OPENING PRAYERS:

WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT?

## READINGS:

HYMN: StF 236

## STUDY IN OPPOSITES:

HYMN: StF 718

## HORIZONTAL:

HYMN: StF 693

## VERTICAL:

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

HYMN: StF 142

## THE BLESSING:

## DISCUSSION

Jeremiah chapter 31 verses 31 – 44

Ephesians chapter 1 verses 15 – 23

Forty days and forty nights

## WAR AND PEACE:

## BIBLE FOR TODAY:

We lay our broken world

PLANE OF HOPE AND PROMISE:

PLANE OF CHRIST CONQUERING EVIL:

PLANE OF GLOOM AND UNBELIEF:

Beauty for brokenness

LINE REFERRING TO MAN:

LINE REFERRING TO CHRIST:

LINE REFERRING TO CHURCH:

Glory to thee my God this night

Organist: Mr David Whiteley

**MEMBERS OF O & A** would once again like to thank everyone in the Church Family who supported their 2012 Appeal for the Next Step Trust – it was very humbling to hear just how much our efforts on their behalf meant to them and how beneficial another Prone Stander will be to the young people of the trust – The cheque amounted to £2,225 - well done and thank you for your caring.

**PLANNED PREACHING FOR LENT** – this morning Dr John Hargreaves continues the theme “What does discipleship mean to you?” Next Sunday we will hear from Dr Eilidh Gunson and then from Chris Robinson and Kath Melling in the weeks to follow – we look forward to hearing what they all have to say to us on this theme.

**CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED** – The course *Christianity Explored* gives you 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 - You don't need to know anything about the Bible - You won't be asked to read aloud, pray or sing - You can ask any question you want, or just listen. This course will be led by our Minister and will start on Tuesday **9<sup>th</sup> April** and run every Tuesday evening at 7.00 p.m., ending on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Starting with a light meal the sessions will end about 9.15pm. The course will include an Away Day at the Blackley Centre on 11<sup>th</sup> May. **PLEASE PUT THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARY** - See the Notice Board for further information or pick up a card from the vestibule table.

**THE SEEKERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP** will next meet on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2013 and thereafter on the **first Monday** of the month unless notified differently. 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 on Wednesday's March 13<sup>th</sup> and April 17<sup>th</sup>. New members always welcome. Ring Sue Wright (354736) for details.

**SOMETHING DIFFERENT IN LENT:** this year South Halifax Churches Together are having a change! On four Fridays in March we are having a light lunch with a speaker from a Christian charity. There will be a collection for each charity after the lunch. Please give this your support; it will be an opportunity to meet old friends if the snow prevented you from coming to the week for Prayer services.

March 1st	All Saints	speaker from CART
March 8th	St Alban's	speaker from Catholic Care
March 15th	St Mark's	speaker from the Drop-in Centre
March 22nd	St Andrew's	speaker from Christian Aid

**PLEASE NOTE THESE EVENTS ARE 'TALKS' rather than 'SERVICES' - All Welcome -**

**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: NEXT FRIDAY** -March 1st, 2-00 p.m. at Halifax Minster. The service this year has been prepared by the women of France and the preacher will be Mrs Heather Smith. All are welcome, not just women!

**MESSY CHURCH** – will all those involved please note there will be a short meeting to plan the next three months of the Messy Church Programme on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 2.00 p.m. – please book the date and come if you are able.

**JUMBLE SALE** - the Church is having a Jumble Sale on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2013 . If you have any jumble we have room to store it. Bring it along to Church and have a word with Glenda.

**EASTER IS FAST APPROACHING** and Fairtrade is once again producing “**The Real Easter Egg**” – which is the only egg which explains the Christian understanding of Easter to the person receiving the egg. It also supports charity and development projects. There is a list on the Vestibule Table if you would like to order one or more of these eggs, please sign it **TODAY** to order your Easter Eggs – we understand that stocks are running low - thank you.

**OPEN TO GOD** – will meet at 10.00 a.m. each Wednesday morning during February at Boothtown & Southowram Church the leader this week is Mrs Paula Prosser.

**SEE THE DOCUMENTARY – 5 BROKEN CAMERAS - Wed 27<sup>th</sup> February - 8 pm at Hebden Bridge Trades Club.** A chance to see this Oscar-nominated documentary chronicling the struggle of a Palestinian village to regain its land. Proceeds will go to Ta'ayush, the Arab-Jewish Partnership. Activist, Ron Taylor, will briefly introduce the film and the work of Ta'ayush. Admission: £3.50/Unwaged £2.50. Further information from Margaret Barnes.

**CHRISTIAN AID'S 48<sup>TH</sup> LONG MARCH “Fighting Poverty Step by Step”**– takes place on Easter Sunday Night – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013 – see the Notice Board for information re either walking or helping.

**THE CHOIR AT SOUTHGATE METHODIST CHURCH, ELLAND** invite any who may be interested in joining their Choir as they prepare for performing William Lloyd-Webber's cantata “The Saviour” on Good Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 p.m. Details of practices on the Notice Board.

**FRIENDS OF SABEEL UK – YORKSHIRE** – offers a day for Christian Prayer and Reflection at Mill Hill Unitarian Chapel, City Square, Leeds **on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April** entitled “**The Holy Land – Experience, Reflection, Action**” The speaker is Bishop Richard Llewellyn (who is also preaching at Evensong at Halifax Minster at 4.00 p.m. on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2013) – All welcome – See further information on the Notice Board.

**CICS PRAYER BREAKFAST** to pray for the youth of Calderdale on Saturday 9th March at 8.30 (with breakfast at 9.30) to be held at the New Horizons Cafe (10&12 Wheatley Lane). Also the **CICS Annual Open Meeting** on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April to be held at Trinity Academy.

**EVENTS NOTICES – LOTS TO READ THIS WEEK** – Methodist e News - News from the Drop In Centre - Denholme Shared Church are holding an informal and entertaining evening on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2013 for those working with children – Christian Dance Fellowship Event – Clifton Chapel Anniversary - Greetland & Lindwell present the pantomime Aladdin during the week 9<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> March 2013 - – Easter Labyrinth at Denby Dale – Methodist Women in Britain Residential Conference at Swanwick – An interactive day spent discussing “Developing Healthy Churches” at Cornerstone Bookshop, Skipton – Cotton Reels, etc for the Mount Zion Heritage Group - Update from the Circuit Church and Society Group – Events at Boothtown & Southowram Church – Coffee Morning & Fairtrade Fashion Show at Hebden Bridge on 2/3/2013 – Halifax Choral Society – Symphony of Psalms 24/3/2013 - Love so amazing! a production by Greetland & Lindwell Church on Sunday March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6.00 p.m.

#### **THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S**

Monday	9.00 a.m.	Parent & Toddler Group
Tuesday	6.15 p.m.	Cubs and Beavers
Wednesday	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Group – Speaker Mr Andrew Fearnley His subject “Energy Best Deal”
Thursday	6.15 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m.	Rainbows/Brownies - Scouts/Guides O & A Meeting at Tricia & Neil's Home

#### **During this week please pray for:**

Rev Alistair Newton our Minister and Mrs Stella Christie our Pastoral Lay Worker.  
The Rev Alistair Newton and Dr Eilidh Gunson as they prepare to lead our Services at 9.00 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. next Sunday morning.

The Rev Alistair Newton, the Rev Michael Townsend, John Hargreaves and Tim Asquith as they prepare to lead Services at Mytholmroyd, Highgate, Hebden Bridge and Salem next Sunday morning at 10.30 a.m.

Today we join the Circuit as it prays for the Church family at Mythomroyd and for their minister the Rev Tony Buglass.

Members of the St Andrew's Church Family who are not well at this time either in hospital or 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 [j.turner302@btinternet.com](mailto:j.turner302@btinternet.com) or by phone (362654)

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