

ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH

Huddersfield Road, Halifax

Sunday 28th September 2014



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

**6.00 p.m. Evening Worship with Holy Communion conducted by the
Rev Christine Perry**

*'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**

- Alistair and Christine 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**

WELCOME:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

HYMNS: StF 44

StF 362

Meeting with God

Come on and celebrate...

Meekness and majesty...

PRAYER:

TALK TO YOUNG PEOPLE:

HYMN: StF 263

Hosanna, Hosanna...

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"

BIBLE READING:

HYMN: SoF 633

Philippians chapter 2 verses 1 – 13

You laid aside your majesty...

BIBLE READING:

HYMN: StF 319

Matthew chapter 21 verses 23 – 32

Christ triumphant, ever reigning...

SERMON:

HYMN: StF 347

Crown him with many crowns...

THE OFFERING AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING:

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Response StF 777

Jesus remember me

When you come into your kingdom

Jesus remember me

When you come into your kingdom

THE LORD'S PRAYER: (See screen)

HYMN: StF 317

At the name of Jesus...

THE BLESSING:

**6.00 P.M. EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION
CONDUCTED BY THE REV CHRISITINE PERRY**

THE SERVICE WILL PROCEED AS ANNOUNCED AND WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING

HYMNS – ALL FROM HYMNS AND PSALMS

HYMNS: H&P 36

God is Love: let heaven adore him...

H&P 180

When I survey the wondrous cross...

H&P 86

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

H&P 641

God, that madest earth and heaven...

Organist : Mr David Whiteley

A MEETING FOR PRAYER is now being 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 –

*There's a quiet understanding when we're gathered in the Spirit,
it's a promise that he gives us, when we gather in his name.
There's a love we feel in Jesus, there's a manna that he feeds us,
it's a promise that he gives us when we gather in his name.*

(Singing the Faith 36 verse 1 - Ted Smith (b. 1927))

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

THE CHURCH DEVELOPMENT GROUP – are looking at all your comments left on the south wall of the church. The sheets of paper and sticky notes are still there if you have not yet had chance to write down your comments – don't forget all your comments/suggestions will be considered. In the meantime the Group has been to visit 5 Methodist churches in the Skipton and Keighley areas to talk to people who had in recent years made big changes to the way their church operates and to see the kind of buildings that they have. Some very useful information for how St Andrew's might change! If anyone knows of a very exciting church building not too far from Halifax please let Sue Wright know and maybe a visit to that one might be made too.

RAVENSCLIFFE AND THE HOME PRODUCE STALL – what a good day we had last Sunday. It was really inspiring to hear Joanne speak to us about Ravenscliffe, hopefully this gives us a new impetus to continue to do our best to raise funds for the **Ravenscliffe@Spring Hall Appeal**. Following the Service we managed to raise the wonderful amount of **£158.00** from the Home Produce Stall - thank you very much indeed for all your support. **THE SUMMER QUIZ - “BACK TO SCHOOL”** is now at ‘marking’ stage, so make sure you hand in your completed Quiz to Sue before September 30th. We are still selling pens for £1.00 each. At today's date the total now stands at **£1,312.00 – A BIG ‘Thank You’ to everyone** who has supported O & A in this Appeal.

NEXT SUNDY IS OUR HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE and will be conducted by Mr David Wilkinson from Stones Methodist Church, Ripponden and we look forward in anticipation of what David has to say to us. As in previous years we are once again supporting the work of the New Ebenezer Food and Drop in Centre and if you didn't get a letter last Sunday listing the types of food, etc. that are most needed by the Centre then there are a few copies on the Vestibule Table – please do pick one up. There will be an allotted time during the Service for you to bring your gifts forward to be displayed but if this is not easy for you to do then please give your things to any member of O & A before the Service – Another **BIG** thank you for your generosity and kindness towards other people.

THE CHURCH COUNCIL will meet next on Wednesday October 8th 2014 at 7.30 pm, preceded by communion at 7.00 p.m. Please bring written reports to the meeting. Apologies and items for AOB should be given to Sue Wright at least 24 hours in advance. Please will council members collect minutes and agendas from the vestibule table.

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP? - The church desperately needs another two or three people to prepare and project the PowerPoints for services. You don't need to be an expert, just to have basic computer skills. Support and training will be available. If you think you could help, or just to find out more, then please talk to Margaret Barnes or Graham.

THE SEEKERS FELLOWSHIP will meet next on Monday 6th October and then on Monday 3rd November and Monday 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.

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 the Rev Graham Smith.

OVERGATE HOSPICE CHOIR – present a Concert “**Lest we Forget**” in commemoration of the First World War Centenary Year on Saturday 18th October 2014 at Halifax Minster – See the Poster on the Notice Board for more information or have a word with Valerie Ashworth.

MESSY CHURCH is hoping to organise an afternoon in early December to make Christmas decorations and cards. This will be called Messy Mums and we will invite all the mums from Messy Church to come and perhaps bring a friend. If anyone is skilled at decoration-making **OR** would just like to help us out **OR** has any stuff at the back of a cupboard we could use **OR** has any bright but not difficult ideas, please let Sybil know.

THE FAIR TRADE STALL will be here as usual next Sunday morning. There is a poster on the wall in the Corridor showing the Christmas Cards available from Fair Trade this year and there is a copy of their up to date Catalogue on the Vestibule table if anyone would like to order from it.

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, on Boar Lane in Leeds (just a few minutes walk from Leeds railway station) from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday 29th October – For any further information please have a word with Margaret Barnes or see the notice on the Notice Board.

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

FOOD AND SUPPORT DROP IN CENTRE AT NEW EBENEZER – because of the steep rise in people needing help the food supplies are getting very low and we are asked this week especially for the items written in capital letters on the list on the wall in the corridor leading down to the Coffee Bar – **HOPE YOU CAN HELP – THANK YOU** – As the weather comes colder an appeal has been made for socks, shoes, trainers, boots, gloves, scarves, hats and coats – so again if you can help it will be very much appreciated.

PLEASE NOTE THE DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT DAY HAS HAD TO BE POSTPONED DUE TO ILLNESS – A NEW DATE WILL BE CIRCULATED AT A LATER DATE.

CALDERDALE WOMEN'S INTER-FAITH GROUP - updates for October and November!

Here is the latest information about events planned for October and November. There are two events in October that I want to let you know about - Calderdale Interfaith Council's Annual General Meeting. As well as the usual AGM business the speaker will be the Bishop of Multan – Rev Leo Paul and his wife will just have been in England a few days earlier and we are very honoured that they can come to the CIC AGM and also that the Bishop will give a short talk that evening. Bishop Leo has been a Bishop in the Church of Pakistan for a few years. It would be really good if there is a good audience for his visit to Halifax. Please make sure that you put this in your diary – Monday 6th October at 7 pm at St Paul's Church of England, Queen's Road, King Cross. Free parking outside the church. Buses that pass through King Cross stop only a couple of hundred yards from the church. Men and women are of course both welcome that evening. The following morning, on Tuesday 7th October the Women's Interfaith Group will have the next in our series of talks on different faiths that are practised in Calderdale. This time Tanveer Bostan, one of our group members, is giving an illustrated talk on Islam and what it means in everyday life to be a Muslim. This will be from 10 am until 12 noon – the venue is King Cross Fire Station Community Room. Tanveer will I am sure give an excellent explanation of Islam – and there will be a chance to ask questions too. So if there is something about the Muslim faith that you have always wondered about, then this is your opportunity to find out. Women of any faith or none will be welcome to come along.....**Margaret Barnes – SEE FULL INTER-FAITH PROGRAMME/INFORMATION ON 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: - Food and Support Group report – Called to Preach? – A Taster Session for the Local Preacher Training Course – See Poster for further details - 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 September – Bible Society News Letter.

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

Monday		PLEASE NOTE NO PARENT & TODDLER GROUP MEETING this week
Wednesday	10.00 a.m.	Open to God led by the Rev Graham Smith
Thursday	6.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.	- Rainbows/Brownies/Cubs/Beavers/Scouts
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Early Morning Communion Service conducted by the Rev Alistair Newton
	10.30 a.m.	All Age Worship and Harvest Thanksgiving Service conducted by Mr David Wilkinson of Ripponden

During this week please pray for:

The Rev Alistair Newton our Minister and Mrs Stella Christie our Pastoral Lay Worker. Rev Alistair Newton and Mr David Wilkinson as they prepare to lead our Worship next Sunday morning at 9.00 a.m. and 10.30 a.m. respectively. John Hargreaves, Rev Alistair and Alison Dobson as they prepare to lead worship at Heptonstall, Southgate, Elland and Stones next Sunday. Today we join other members of the Calderdale Circuit as they pray for the Church Family at Boothtown & Southowram Methodist Church and for their Minister the Rev Paul Welch. We continue to remember all members of the St Andrew's Church Family who are mourning the loss of loved ones at this time. 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. 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 Circuit website www.calderdalemethodists.org.uk District website www.westyorkshiremethodist.org.uk