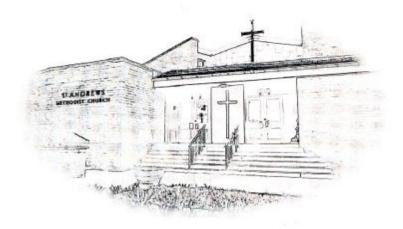
ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH Huddersfield Road, Halifax Sunday 26th January 2014 WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



10.30 a.m. - Morning Worship conducted by Mrs Stella Christie

6.00 p.m. – Evening Worship with Holy Communion conducted by the Rev Alistair Newton

'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

- Stella, Alistair 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 MRS STELLA CHRISTIE

WELCOME:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

HYMN: StF 608 All praise to our redeeming Lord

PRAYERS OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

HYMN: SoF 43 Bind us together Lord

ADDRESS 1:

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.

HYMN: StF 556 Just as I am, without one plea

THE OFFERING AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING:

READINGS: Isaiah chapter 9 verses 1 – 4 (O.T. page 677)

Matthew chapter 4 verses 12 – 23 (N.T. page 6)

ADDRESS 2:

HYMN: StF 30 Jesus, stand among us

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

HYMN: StF 682 God of grace and God of glory

THE BLESSING:

EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION CONDUCTED BY THE REV ALISTAIR NEWTON

CALL TO WORSHIP:

HYMN: StF 340 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

PRAYERS:

CONGREGATIONAL READING; Psalm 67 (See separate sheet)
HYMN: StF 78 Give thanks with a grateful heart

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

SERMON: "ONLY BY GRACE"

HYMN: StF 565 Only by grace can we enter

PRAYERS:

HYMN: StF 577 Bread of life, hope of the world

THE LORD'S SUPPER:

HYMN: StF 504 May the mind of Christ my Saviour

BLESSING:

Organist: Mr David Whiteley

CHURCH WEEK-END TO GRANGE OVER SANDS - 21st - 23rd March. If you are interested in joining us, there is still time to say you would like to come. Please have a word with Glenda.

CALDERDALE INTERFAITH COUNCIL - invites you to Calderdale College, Francis Street, Halifax HX1 3UZ at 6.00pm TOMORROW evening - to commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day 2014 – see the Poster on the Notice Board for further information.

THE O & A APPEAL FOR HAITI has almost reached its conclusion with just the Quiz called "A BUNCH OF FLOWERS" doing the rounds at the moment, it will be on sale in the Coffee Lounge after Morning Worship again today. Just the right time of year to spend an hour solving the clues and thinking of all the beautiful flowers growing hidden in the dark earth at the moment but preparing to burst through into the sunshine (we hope) at various times during the coming year. Please buy a copy of the Quiz and help us to raise a little bit more money for the Haiti Appeal – **THANK YOU.** (P.S. The Appeal fund total now stands at £2,452.70).

THE SEEKERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP – will next meet on Monday 3rd February and continue to discuss the film 'Chocolat' linking the film to Bible passages and our Christian life and witness. All meetings are held at the home of Vivienne & 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 next meet on Thursday February 13th when they will continue to look at Michael Townsend's book on the sacraments - their following meeting will be held on Thursdays March 13th and April 10th. Contact Sue Wright (354736) for details.

THE MONDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet again on Monday 17th February and then on Monday 17th March 2014 at 106 Dudwell Lane and the group will be pleased to welcome old and, hopefully, new members at 7.30 p.m.

THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL is on **Wednesday February 5th at 7-30 pm**, preceded by Communion at 7-00 pm. Please bring written reports to the meeting. Minutes and agendas are ready for collection on the vestibule table. Apologies and matters for AOB should be given to the secretary at least 24 hours in advance.

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

TOUCHSTONE have a vacancy for a FAITH to FAITH WORKER (Female) and the details regarding this post are on the Notice Board.

A MESSAGE FROM Alex Crosse the District World Church Representative "Harrogate School of Theology & Mission has been launched to develop excellent theological and biblical training that is open to all. We aim to develop a learning community which not only deepens faith and understanding, but also equips people to bring fresh insights into every sphere of life and discipleship. The inaugural season starts with Saturday morning sessions led by well qualified speakers who are skilled in communicating their message and passionate about its relevance for today. Around 150 people attended the opening session in September and in future years the programme will be developed and diversified to meet the needs and aspirations of those who choose to join this exciting journey of exploration and discovery. See www.hstm.org or contact Tim Hurren 01423 541696 for more details".

The current plans are:

1st February 2014 John's gospel revisited Dr Rowan Williams (Master of Magdalene College, Cambridge);

5th April 2014 Fulfilment: hope, heaven and the end of the world - Jon Swales (St. George's, Leeds & Tutor in Biblical Theology, St. Barnabas Theological Centre)

All events are on Saturday mornings at St Mark's church, Leeds Road, Harrogate. Each event starts with a continental breakfast served from 9.30 am with the formal session beginning at 10.00 am prompt and finishing at noon. Cost £8 per morning including breakfast and mid-morning refreshments. Students £5 per session. Payment on the day by cash or cheque payable to St. Peter's Church Harrogate.

METHODIST WOMEN IN BRITAIN (West Yorkshire District) – THE DAFFODIL RALLY will take place at Central Methodist Church, Batley on Tuesday 4th March 2014 at 2.30 p.m. and will be led by the Rev Judith Satchell with Mr John Wilson local preacher of Mirfield who is a former editor of the Reporter Series as guest speaker. Please see the letter and Poster on the Notice Board for further details.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN CHURCHES TOGETHER ON PILGRIMAGE TOURING THE HOLY LANE staying in Jerusalem & Galilee from 11th – 21st May 2015 – see the Poster and extensive information sheets on the Notice Board.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE NEXT CONNECT EVENT will be held on Sunday March 9th at 6.30 pm at the New Ebenezer Centre, St James Road, Halifax. This is a Youth Service with fun, food, worship and music. It's an opportunity for young people from different churches and youth groups to get together for fellowship. We are in the early stages of planning for this event, so if you know anyone who would like to get involved, please get in touch.

BRIGHOUSE THEATRE PRODUCTIONS proudly present JESUS CHRIST SUPER STAR by Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber from 1st – 5th April 2014 at Brighouse Civic Hall – tickets available by 'phone 01484 402435 – See the Poster on the Notice Board for more information.

INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE DISTRICT AND CIRCUIT OFFICES DURING THE WEEK is displayed for all to see and read on the Notice Board – it icludes the following:

- a) Chair of Trustees wanted for OneSound
- b) Summer Biblical Study in Oxford
- c) Half Day Seminar on British Muslim Women : Beyond the Myths
- d) Course run by the Diocese of Ripon and Leeds on Mental Health and the Church's Care plus all the other items mention below

EVENTS NOTICES – <u>LOTS TO READ AGAIN THIS WEEK</u> – Information on "The Inn Churches" - Applications for job opportunities within the West Yorkshire District - Food and Support Group report - Bible Society E-News for December – The Methodist Church E-News for January 2014 – Information about a new book – **Faith in Food** this book gives authentic Pakistani recipes and stories – a mix of humanity! - **All information about these events on the Notice Board**.

THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S

Monday	9.00 a.m.	Parent & Toddler Group
Wednesday	10.00 a.m.	Open to God – Mr Ken Speake
	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Club – Speaker Mr Geoff Budd his subject is
		"Trans Pennine Canals"
Thursday	6.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m Rainbows/Brownies/Cubs/Beavers/Scouts	
Sunday	9.00 a.m.	Early Morning Communion – Rev Alistair Newton
	10.30 a.m.	All Age Worship conducted by the Worship Leaders

During this week please pray for:

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

Our Worship Leaders as they prepare to lead our Service of All Age Worship at 10.30 a.m. next Sunday.

Rev Alistair as he prepares to lead early morning Communion at St Andrew's at 9.00 a.m. next Sunday morning followed by Morning Worship at Highgate at 10.30 a.m.

Alison Dobson and John Hargreaves as they prepare to lead Worship at Hebden Bridge and Todmorden Central next Sunday morning at 10.30 a.m..

Today we join together with other members of the Calderdale Circuit as we pray for Mount Zion and their Minister the Rev Paul Welch.

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

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