ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH

Huddersfield Road. Halifax Sunday 12th May 2013 **Christian Aid Week**



10.30 a.m. Morning Worship conducted by Mrs Linda Guy

6.00 p.m. Evening Worship with Holy Communion conducted by the Rev Francis Neil

'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

- Mrs Linda Guy and the Rev Francis Neil 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 LINDA GUY PDF created with pdfFactory trial version www.pdffactory.com

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

WEI COME:

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 103 verse 8 HYMN: StF 403 God is love: his the care

MORNING PRAYER AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

A WORD WITH THE CHILDREN: THE OFFERING AND DEDICATION:

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 477 Teach me to dance

BIBLE READINGS: Isaiah chapter 40 verses 27 – 31 (O.T. p 703)

Philippians chapter 4 verses 8 – 13 (N.T. p 250)

SERMON PART 1:

HYMN: StF 486 Who would true valour see

SERMON PART 2:

HYMN: StF 363 My Jesus, My Saviour

MEDITATION:

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

StF 563 O Jesus, I have promised HYMN:

THE BLESSING SHARED TOGETHER:

Organist: Mrs Leah Mullin

6.00 P.M. EVENING WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION CONDUCTED BY THE REV FRANCIS NEIL

WELCOME:

CALL TO WORSHIP:

HYMN: StF 351 In Christ alone my hope is found

OPENING PRAYERS:

THE OFFERING RECEIVED:

StF 94 To God be the glory, great things he has done HYMN: John chapter 10 verses 22 – 28 (N.T. p 132)

BIBLE READING:

HYMN: StF 548 Blessèd Assurance. Jesus is mine

ADDRESS:

HYMN: StF 481 The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:

THE PEACE:

HYMN: StF 586 Here is bread, here is wine

HOLY COMMUNION: See separate sheet

HYMN: StF 661 Give me the faith which can remove

THE BLESSING:

Organist: Mr David Whiteley

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - MAY 12th to 18th - This year we are urged to "BITE BACK AT HUNGER" - Thank you very much to those who have volunteered to deliver and collect envelopes locally. If you do 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 guiz sheets, with guestions 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 CONTINUES THIS COMING TUESDAY – 14th May 2013 at 7.00 p.m. – each evening "stands alone" so even if you could not come last week you will be made very welcome this week – 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. Starting with a light meal the sessions will end about 9.15pm.

THE GREEN PARK FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet this coming Thursday May 16th followed by a meeting on Thursday June 20th. 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.

THE SEEKERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP will next meet on Monday 3rd **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).

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 Mrs Stella Christie.

DO YOU HAVE A SEWING MACHINE lying idle in a cupboard? If so would you consider donating it to the Halifax Minster's sewing group – this is a group which is making costumes for children going on visits there – e.g. monk's habits, etc. – if you can help please have a word with Margaret Barnes who can collect if necessary – Thank you.

TRIP ON WEDNESDAY 3RD 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 GARDEN PARTY AT WARLEY HOUSE on 1st 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.

CIRCUIT SERVICE on the morning of 2nd June 2013 Methodists in Calderdale are coming together to worship at a circuit service to be held at Southgate – based on the theme of "Facing the Challenge". There will be a range of different worship activities ranging from traditional to contemplative, discussion groups, prayer, activities for young people etc. We are hoping to be able to run a worship activity based on art, giving people the opportunity to express faith and worship through drawing and painting or other creative means; e.g. craft work. **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.**

SOUTHGATE METHODIST CHURCH invites you to a performance of the comedy thriller "A Tomb with a View" from May 16th – May 18th at 7.15 p.m. – Tickets cost £6.00 – Further details from the Notice Board.

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.

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

LOVE CALDERDALE – THE BIG BIRTHDAY PARTY IN THE PIECE HALL – next Saturday from 12 noon to 6.00 p.m. See the Notice Board for more information about this event.

A MESSAGE FROM HAL CLARKSON - I am considering augmenting/adding to the music group (musicians) that sometimes accompanies me on preaching engagements! I wonder if there are other musicians in the circuit who might be interested in joining us. Currently the band "Forever Young", offers fund raising concerts of Folk/Country/Blues but as the other members are Christians we also offer 'Spiritual/Praise', music and of course sing at preaching engagements! I would be interested in considering some vocal additions, a lead/rythm guitarist/singer, a violin/fiddle perhaps a keyboard player/singer and any other complimentary instruments. However the most important factor would be 'the fit' not necessarily the instrument - Regards - Hal Clarkson - 07940-918-919

FOREVER YOUNG AND FRIENDS: (Splynta Band + Derek Elton) are in concert at St Mary's Church, Todmorden (Facing the central roundabout in Todmorden) on Saturday 18th May at 7:30pm. There will be a mixture of Popular, Sing-along, Folk, Country etc and of course a smattering of "Corny Jokes". It is a fundraiser in favour of the charity "**INDEPENDANT LIVING"**, whose members are adults and young people with learning disabilities. (They learn life skills via learning through experience and get together for social events).

INDEPENDANT LIVING is run by Sandra Peach who we all know and appreciate as Sandra who cooks the now famous **Meat and Potato Pie and Peas** for our Mytholmroyd Men's Meal Group. Tickets are £5 and include the aforesaid supper. (So it's worth a visit just for the food!). Please try and support this worthwhile charity and invite any friends who might be interested! (If you haven't got a ticket you can pay at the door).

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.

EVENTS NOTICES – <u>LOTS TO READ AGAIN THIS WEEK</u> – Love Calderdale – The Big Birthday Party at the Piece Hall 18/5/2013 from 12 noon to 6.00 p.m. – Plant Sale & Art & Craft Fair at Blackshawhead Chapel on 18th May - Christians Together in Calderdale News Letter – Kirkwood Awareness Day Friday 17/5/13 at 10.00 a.m. – Afternoon Teas at Lumbutts Methodist Church on various dates during the coming months - Methodist Women in Britain West Yorkshire District Coffee Morning, Bring & Buy & Cake Stall on 16/5/2013 at Aldersgate Church, Low Moor Bradford - Update from the Circuit Church and Society Group – Open Days at Mount Zion - 1st June Circuit Garden Party at Warley House – Help Wanted Poster – Flower Festival at Upermill Methodist Church over the week-end of 14th/15th/16th June - Mission Event at St Andrew's 16th 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

Thursday 6.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. Rainbows/Brownies/Scouts Friday 7.30 p.m. Rainbows/Brownies/Scouts Music Group Practice

During this week please pray for:

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

The Rev Alistair Newton as he prepares to lead our Morning Worship with Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m. on Pentecost Sunday.

The Rev Stephen Barnett and members of the Praise Team as they prepare to lead our Praise Service at 6.00 p.m. next Sunday Evening.

Tim Asquith and John Hargreaves as they prepare to lead Worship at Stones and Southgate, Elland next Sunday.

Today the Circuit prays for the Church family at Bethesda and for their Minister the Rev Stephen Barnett.

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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