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The Magazine of

St. John's
Methodist Church
Victoria Road, Horwich

FROM ST JOHN'S BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

FOR JULY

NELLIE CUERDEN (neè Johnson)	24.01.1909	04.07.2007
HAROLD LOTT	25.12.1922	10.07.1995
ROBERT WAITE	31.07.1922	21.07.2014
CLIFFORD SMITH	06.06.1907	27.07.1996
CHRISTOPHER BRIAN GARRITY 17.01.1939		29.07.2014

FOR AUGUST

MARJORIE SMITH (neè Cresswell)	25.05.1906	03.08.1994
ANTONY JACKSON BREEZE	25.05.1976	04.08.2012
OLIVE DANKS (neè Berry)	19.06.1922	19.08.2011
CLIFFORD JOYCE	13.01.1933	26.08.1998
DEREK HORNER	02.12.1937	31.08.2013

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS



MIGRANTS

Christ's body has been broken,
not bread but human lives,
each family has scattered,
just memory survives;
the parents cry in anguish,
the children cry in fear,
we label them as migrant,
not wanted over here.

These are our human neighbours,
relations from our birth,
each sister, child or brother,
as one on this wide earth;
if we claim God as a parent,
'our Father' as we say,
when will we own the meaning
of empty words we pray?

God, help us welcome others,
God break the barriers down,
that tears may turn to laughter,
and smiles displace each frown;
then may we live together,
forgiven by your grace,
the Pentecostal promise:
one Godly human race!

Andrew Pratt 22/6/2018

Tune: AURELIA

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CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY

On our journey to Abbot Hall in Grange over Sands, a few of us took the 'scenic route' calling at Coniston where we had lunch overlooking the lake. Our next stop was Hawkshead and during our wandering we came across Hawkshead Methodist Church. We spent a long time looking at the building, organ, pictures and general history - there was a lot of 'do you remember that!!!' Below is the information on a slip we were asked to take away.



HAWKSHEAD METHODIST CHURCH is the oldest building presently used for Methodist worship anywhere in the world. It was built as a cottage in the 15th century, and until 1862 it was used for residential purposes. It was then that the building was lent to a small group of Christian people who had been meeting in the upper room of Anne Tyson's cottage. The benefactor was a Mrs E Satterthwaite, who later married Revd. H Cooke. It was converted to a church and opened on the 20th November 1862 as a Union Chapel. When Revd. Cooke died the chapel was handed over to the Wesleyan Methodist Conference in 1926. Another Hawkshead family, the Garnetts, were connected with this chapel from its opening in 1862. Miss Sarah Elizabeth Garnett, the local post mistress and Sunday School teacher, died in 1959.

EDITOR'S NOTES

I haven't been given a write up on the Church Weekend Away but you can read about it and look at photos on the church website - details on back page!

The Circuit Hog Roast has also passed without comment from anyone!

The fact that it clashed with the football and tennis was overcome with screens in church and the Wesley room and the 'hog' was delicious.

It was our final farewell to Jennifer and I waved her off on the following Wednesday to start her retirement in Aberdeen.

Our new Circuit Lay Pastor Chris Holmes has been appointed to take up his role in September. I hope he will be able to give me a short piece on his background for the next magazine.

He will be initially be working with our new Minister in Pastoral Charge Rev Hilary Howarth at St John's and also at Chew Moor.

You will have noticed that this issue is a little thin on content.

I should appreciate your input - this is your magazine not mine!!!

If you read an article or hear of an interesting story, film, book, recipe etc. please tell us about it and (assuming the material is appropriate!) I can incorporate it in the next magazine.



SEPTEMBER 2018 Magazine

The closing date for articles and information for the next magazine is **Sunday 26th August 2018.**

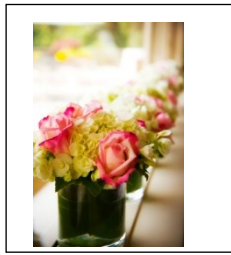
Items can be emailed to **helen.stuart16@btinternet.com** as soon as ready, or placed in Green Folder on shelf in Foyer.



The Art of the Efficient

A company chairman had been given tickets for a performance of Schubert's Unfinished Symphony. Being unable to attend he passed the tickets on to his work study consultant. The next day the chairman asked him how he had enjoyed the performance and was handed a memorandum, which read:

For considerable periods the four oboe players had nothing to do. Their number should be reduced and their work spread over the whole orchestra, thus eliminating peaks of inactivity. All twelve violin players were playing identical notes. This seemed unnecessary duplication and the staff of this section should be drastically cut. Much effort was absorbed in playing demi-semi-quavers. This seemed an excessive refinement and it is recommended that all notes should be rounded up to the nearest semi-quaver. No useful purpose is served by the repeating, with horns, passages already played by the strings. If all such redundant passages were eliminated, the concert could be reduced from two hours to twenty minutes. If Schubert had attended to these matters he would probably have been able to finish his symphony.



PROGRAMME OF FUND RAISING EVENTS

2017 - 2018

EVENT	DATE	ORGAN- ISERS	INCOME
Christmas Card	October/December 2017	FPG	£195.00
United Christian Singers Choir	Saturday 12 th May 2018	FPG	£162.00
Festival Choir Singing Day	Saturday 28 th April 2018	Helen Stuart	£170.39
Cream Tea	Saturday 9 th June 2018	Pat Norton	£230.00
TOTAL			£757.39

PLEASE SUPPORT THE ABOVE EVENTS

All are welcome

Enquiries should be made to any member of the Financial Planning Group:
Carole Barnes, John Bolton, Helen Charlton, Janice Estcourt, Pat Norton.

If you wish to contact by phone please ring Janice Estcourt 01204 669912 or email janice.estcourt5@gmail.com

Please note:

Ideas regarding methods of fundraising are very welcome. If you can help with any ideas please either put your name and contact details on notice on board or contact one of the Financial Planning Group mentioned above.

Aiming to 'Reach' everyone Brough Methodist District, East Riding of Yorkshire



Brough Methodist Church has launched a new project that aims to provide weekly, welcoming and contemporary worship for people in the town.

The 'Reach' project provides a safe and inclusive place for families and people of all ages to come together in vibrant,

modern worship featuring music, singing, readings, arts and crafts, dance and drama, alongside prayer and contemplation.

Taking place on Thursdays at 6.30pm, the emphasis is on creating an informal relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Karen Clark, one of the coordinators of the project, said: "This is such an exciting time. The scheme aims to be more appealing to those who have found traditional services not to their liking, those who would like to explore their spirituality through a fresh approach to church or those who simply want to try worship for the first time."

METHODIST ART COLLECTION

Did you know that you can browse the collection of art owed by the Methodist Church of Great Britain by logging on to:

www.methodist.org.uk Discover the Methodist Modern Art Collection.

METHODIST CONFERENCE

There is also a video of the conference on the same site.

Books of the Bible

P D F E B R C W F Q K T M Y K D C V O N W I L P C N M A Z R
 Y V A S U C G D O S R G G O Y B D I Y F L W L X I V R C C R
 V T B Z B W U A Y R K W T V R M H S G Y S E C C I I W L U
 J M D E Z N D O U F E S T H E R U L I G N Y M L I Z J P N Q
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 J Y M R S W O G T S M N K I A P O A E E X J A Q C B W U G P
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 X F R M S N H Q K M T S I E D A M P L W H P Q N O C V V Q Y
 G R B Y W P F S V F G T R S M K F N X S V K X N H B R C O R
 V Z Y L C T J Y G S A I R H B E V Y B O A Y V X E A U V D Z

Acts	Habakkuk	Lamentations	Psalms
Amos	Haggai	Leviticus	Revelation
Chronicles	Hebrews	Luke	Romans
Colossians	Hosea	Malachi	Ruth
Corinthians	Isaiah	Mark	Samuel
Daniel	James	Matthew	Song of Solomon
Deuteronomy	Jeremiah	Micah	Thessalonians
Ecclesiastes	Job	Nahum	Timothy
Ephesians	Joel	Nehemiah	Titus
Esther	John	Numbers	Zechariah
Exodus	Jonah	Obadiah	Zephaniah
Ezekiel	Joshua	Peter	
Ezra	Jude	Philemon	
Galatians	Judges	Philippians	
Genesis	Kings	Proverbs	

THE METHODIST CHURCH EXISTS TO PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL

FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP

DOOR STEWARDS

Sandra Curtis	29 Jul	Peter Fletcher & Geoff Danks
Jan & Norman Stewart	5 Aug	Kathleen Ironfield & John Bolton
Renee Kay	12 Aug	Pat Harrison & Pat Holding
Margaret & Mike Parker	19 Aug	Gwen Haslam & Pat Norton
Marie Joyce	27 Aug	Reta Wright & Janice Estcourt

READER

COFFEE ROTA

Allan Hatton	29 Jul	Margaret Parker & Renee Kay
Peter Fletcher	5 Aug	Christine Hodgkinson & Barbara Jenkins
Margaret Wardle	12 Aug	Marie Joyce & Rachel Penketh
Chris Hodgkinson	19 Aug	Pat Harrison & Gwen Haslam
Sheila Heaton	27 Aug	Margaret Wardle & Diane Le Fevre

CHURCH IN HORWICH

JESUS CHRIST IS LORD

PREACHERS FOR WORSHIP

VESTRY STEWARD

Rev Paul Martin	29 Jul	Diane Le Fevre
Mrs Maudine Morris	5 Aug	Bob Atkinson
Miss Eve Crassweller	12 Aug	Peter Mumford
Own arrangement	19 Aug	Paul Cohen
Mr Jim Hodgkinson	27 Aug	Margaret Parker

MUSICIAN

A V OPERATOR

Kathleen Robson	29 Jul	Rachel Penketh
Kathleen Robson	5 Aug	Ben Hodgkinson
Kathleen Robson	12 Aug	Helen Stuart
Recordings	19 Aug	Mike Parker
Kathleen Robson	27 Aug	Ben Hodgkinson

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SUNDAY SERVICE TIMES

Every Sunday at 10.30am
 with planned Special Services 6.30 pm