

Notices for Sunday 7th October 2018

Ponteland Methodist Church

Minister – Rev Jona Sewell Tel 822057

LET THE LOVE OF JESUS BE KNOWN

*There is a valued informal atmosphere at our Church and it would be appreciated if conversations in the main Church are **held quietly 5 minutes before Worship** to give you time to talk to God. You are most welcome to have tea or coffee with us after the Morning Services and tea after the Evening Service.*

27th in Ordinary Time // Wisdom and Mystery

Sun 7 th	10.00am 12noon 6.30pm	Rev Jona Sewell – Joint Harvest Festival and Brigade Parade Service. - Address: 'The Thankful Leper' Harvest Lunch Miss Rachel Wood - 'Harvest Time'
Mon 8 th	1.15pm 1.30pm 2.00pm 2.00pm	Churches Together Ecumenical Prayer Meeting at St. Mary's Church . All welcome or let us have a prayer request. Carpet Bowls The Open Door :- cake, tea, coffee and fellowship in the foyer. Open Door Bible Study – 'I Am the Light of the World'
Tues 9 th	2.30pm 5.45pm 7.00pm	Women's Fellowship Harvest Meeting - led by Syd Cowan - Speaker, Mr Geoff Wadsworth - 'Observations' Boys' Brigade - Anchor Boys Boys' Brigade - Junior, Company and Senior Sections
Wed 10 th	5.45pm 7.00pm	Girls' Brigade – Explorers 6.00pm – Junior Section Girls' Brigade – Seniors and Brigaders
Thurs 11 th	9.30am 7.30pm	Toddler Thursdays – toys, activities and refreshments till 11 am Women's Focus - 'Traffic Warden to Vicar' – George Lackenby.
Fri 12 th	7.30pm 7.30pm	Carpet Bowls Prayer Meeting at the Matthew's, 35, Longmeadows NE20 9DX
Sat 13 th	10.00am	Mini Meander (see page 2)
Sun 14 th PRISONS SUNDAY	10.00am 10.00am 6.30pm	The Bridge - Rev Jona Sewell Mrs. Barbara Lanyon Rev Tim Woolley

CHURCH STEWARDS

(am) Andrew Pay, Irene Holmes, Pete Cowey.

(pm) Brenda Rutter, Irene Holmes.

PRAY FOR OUR PREACHERS TODAY:- Rev Jona Sewell and Miss Rachel Wood.

We also pray for those of our number who today are preaching elsewhere:- **Rev Jona Sewell**, Milbourne 6.30pm; **Rev Tim Woolley**, Denton Burn 10.30am; **Rosemary Gray**, Scots Gap 10.30am and **Rev Juliet Wriglesworth**, Westerhope 10.30am and 6pm.

BIBLE READINGS IN TODAY'S SERVICES

10am : Luke 17 : 11-19. **6.30pm** : Matthew 13 : 24-35, Romans 8 : 18-25.

The following questions are from today's readings using the NIV version:-

- 1) What did Jesus tell the servants to do with the weeds?
- 2) How many men, who Jesus met on the way to Jerusalem, had leprosy?

You will find the answers on the back page.

LECTIONARY

Job 1 : 1; 2 ; 1-10, **Psalms 26,** **Hebrews 1 : 1-4; 2 : 5-12,** **Mark 10 : 2-16.**

MINI MEANDER Please join us on our next walk at Newburn on **Sat 13th Oct.** We meet at **10am** in the Church car park. The walk will be on a flat track and there is a nearby café where we can have refreshments. For enquiries, please contact **Jennifer or Ann Cooper**

METHODIST CHURCH PRESIDENTIAL YEAR The new 2018/19 leaflets have been published and are available from the door stewards. Please ask if you require one. **Geoff**

FREE PENSIONER'S TEA Ponteland Rotary are offering people in the village a free tea on **Mon 15th Oct** between **2-4pm** in **Merton Hall**. If anyone wishes to attend, they are welcome to contact **Alan Hall** (01661 860284, Mob: 07740 866764) or **Janet Cusworth** (01661 871108) Transport, mobility and dietary requirements can also be arranged. **Andy**

CONCERT Celebrating the **750th Anniversary** of the link between St. Mary's Parish Church and its Patron, Merton College, Oxford, you can enjoy an evening of entertainment with members of Ponteland Repertory Society and the youngsters from The Preppies as they perform a delightful selection of music and songs from the shows on **Sat 13th Oct** at **7.30 pm** in **St. Mary's Church**. Tickets are **£8** including light refreshments and you can pay on arrival. Door opens at **6.45pm**. Book by e-mail - contact 750thevents@gmail.com

VERA LONSDALE was called to Higher Service last week. She had just become a Centenarian and there is an article in October's PN&V. There will be a Thanksgiving Service at **St. Mary's** (following an earlier private cremation) at 2pm on **Tues 9th Oct** followed by a wake at the Manor. Although an Anglican, she was often in our Church and much loved.

TRADCRAFT The deadline for placing Traidcraft orders is next Sunday, **14th Oct.** **Bev.**

OCTOBER CORNERSTONE is available today; it is also on the Church website. **Andy**

GOOD NEWS It is with great joy that we can announce that **Rev Juliet Wriglesworth** has been matched with a little girl, Rebecca, for adoption. Juliet will be on adoption leave from 29th October until September 2019; **Westerhope** will be cared for by a team of super-numeraries, and **Blucher** by Jona and Tim. We celebrate with Juliet this wonderful news, wish her and Rebecca well, and will be praying for them over the coming weeks. **Jona**

PONTELAND BIBLE SOCIETY ACTION GROUP invite you to their **AUTUMN LUNCH** on **Thurs 18th Oct, 12noon** at the **URC Broadway**. Tickets, priced **£8** are available from **Judith, Val or Angela**. This is a marvelous meal, you won't need any tea !

LIVING CHRISTIANITY IN THE HOLY LAND : 14th – 25th February 2019 is a 12 day experience of Christianity in Bethlehem, Jerusalem and Galilee. It is led by Rev. John Howard, former Mission Partner Israel/Palestine. This is very different to a traditional pilgrimage to the Holy Land. We will visit some of the holy sites, but the emphasis is a lot more upon meeting the people and hearing of their lives. This will include doing some voluntary work. The focus is upon the Christian Community of the Holy Land – though in order to understand more of their situation we will also be meeting Muslims and Jews. For further details please contact John Howard John_d_howard@hotmail.com or contact **Bev**.

WEST END FOOD BANK Another tremendous effort on the Food Bank supplies! Unfortunately, they are no longer weighing the food but they are so very grateful for our continued generosity. Thank you! **Brian**

CHURCH PENS FOR SALE that would make good Christmas presents! These are superior to previous pens as they are finished in Gunmetal Green with soft tips. **Only £1.50 each**, Please see **Andy** or **Rosie Brown** to acquire a 'must have' item!

SHADE LUNCH this year will be on **Sun 25th Nov** in the hall after morning service. The format will be similar to previous years (fruit juice, chicken and ham with vegetarian option available, baked potatoes and salads, and puddings/desserts, but with a few Christmas twists!). Tickets will be on sale soon from **Joan and Jean** – watch this space! **Pete**

PRAYER DIARY Please pray for a revival in Ponteland with this prayer diary :-

Luke 9: 1-6 , Acts 28: 28-31, Jeremiah 29: 7, Matthew 18: 18-20.

Please would you join us in agreement and pray together for the villages around us for a revival. Please include any other villages in the area to the list. Prayer diary:-

Monday - Pray for Ponteland & Darras Hall; **Tuesday** - Pray for the East: Prestwick & Dinnington; **Wednesday** - Pray for the West: Medburn & Stamfordham; **Thursday** - Pray for the North: Milbourne, Belsay & Whalton; **Friday** - Pray for the South: Callerton & Dewley Burn; **Saturday & Sunday** - Pray for All the villages above. Shalom! **Abraham**

PRAYERS

Bind our souls to your own, O Christ, so that we may never be separated from you. Only in you are we fully alive, only in your light can we truly see and only in your strength can we safely pursue our way. To you we come, O wisdom without end. In you we rest, O mercy without limit. **Amen**

Transforming God, Lord of reversals, As you called the paralysed man, call us. As you challenged the woman at the well, challenge us. As you healed Jairus' daughter, heal us. As you comforted Mary of Bethany, comfort us. Help us to remember that you can turn all things over, under and around. Transform us outside and within, to be reflectors of your light in your world. *Amen*

If you have people (or other subjects of intercessory prayer) for whom you wish the Church to pray for, please can you let the Church Stewards know at least 10 minutes before the service starts so they can inform the preacher. Thank You.

DIARY DATES

Thurs 18 th October	Church Council 7.30pm
Sun 21 st October	Circuit 'Engage' event at Stamfordham, 6pm
Sun 28 th October	Ecumenical Bible Society service led by Ann Cooper, 6.30pm
Sun 11 th November	Joint Service for Remembrance Sunday, 10am Joint Remembrance Service at St. Mary's, 7pm
Sun 25 th Nov	Toy Service 10am followed by the Shade Lunch
Sun 9 th December	BB/GB Carol Service

CIRCUIT NOTICES

Tues 9 th	Lemington	9.30- 11.30am.	Clothes Bar
Tues 9 th	Westerhope	7.30pm.	Weekday Praise. Speaker: Miss Sheila Renner
Wed 10 th	Denton Burn	10am.	Beans and Banter Coffee Morning
Thurs 11 th	Heddon	10- 11.30am.	"The Garden Room" cuppa, friendship and fellowship
Thurs 11 th	Heddon	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Prayer Group
Thurs 11 th	Heddon	7pm	Bible Study
Thurs 11 th	Heddon	7pm.	Photography Group (Photoshoot Outing in Heddon (Light Trails))
Sat 13 th	Lemington	10am	Craft and Chat.
Sat 13 th	Westerhope	9.30am. - 12.30pm.	District Local Arrangement Study Day.
Sun 14 th	Heddon	2.30pm - 4.30pm.	Messy Church joint with St Andrew's Church.
Tues 16 th	Lemington	9.30 - 11.30am.	Clothes Bar
Thurs 18 th	Heddon	10 - 11.30am.	"The Garden Room" cuppa, friendship and fellowship.
Thurs 18 th	Heddon	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Prayer Group.
Thurs 18 th	Lemington	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Open Doors - praying for the persecuted Church
Sat 20 th	Denton Burn	10am.	Coffee Morning in aid of Shoebox project
Sat 20 th	Denton Burn	7pm.	Film Night. 'The Way'.
Sat 20 th	Heddon	9.30am. - 4.30pm.	Walk through the Bible course (booking necessary) Contact: Liz Richley (07788 988000)
Sat 20 th	Westerhope	10 - 11.30am.	Wesley Guild Coffee Morning.

**Please send your notices to Geoff Lisle by next Thursday, 6pm.
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