

Notices for Sunday 9th September 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.*

23rd in Ordinary Time // God of Compassion

Sun 9 th Education Sunday	10.00am 10.00am 6.30pm	The Bridge - Rosemary Gray - 'How much are you worth to God?' Rev Jona Sewell - Communion - 'Be Opened: Rejection, Separation, Inclusion.' Rev Juliet Wriglesworth- 'Being authentic with God & other people.'
Mon 10 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 - the ' I am ' sayings of Jesus.
Tues 11 th	2.30pm 6.00pm 7.00pm	Women's Fellowship Dedication Service with Communion led by Rev Jona Sewell . There will also be a Bring and Buy Stall . Boys' Brigade - Anchor Boys Boys' Brigade - Junior, Company and Senior Sections
Wed 12 th	5.45pm 7.00pm	Girls' Brigade – Explorers 6.00pm – Junior Section Girls' Brigade – Seniors and Brigaders
Thurs 13 th	9.30am 7.30pm	Toddler Thursdays – toys, activities and refreshments till 11 am Women's Focus - MEMBERS NIGHT – QUIZ + tea & biscuits.
Fri 14 th	7.30pm 7.30pm	Carpet Bowls Prayer Meeting at the Matthew's, 35, Longmeadows NE20 9DX
Sat 15 th	10.00am	Mini Meander in Hexham – see page 3
Sun 16 th	10.00am 10.00am 6.30pm	The Bridge - Rev Jona Sewell David Forrester Rev Jona Sewell – Communion – service includes blessing a new member

CHURCH STEWARDS

(am) Pete Cowey, Andrew Pay, Brenda Rutter.
(pm) Andrew Pay, Peter Michell.

PRAY FOR OUR PREACHERS TODAY:- Rev Jona Sewell, Rev Juliet

Wriglesworth and Rosemary Gray. We also pray for those of our number who today are preaching elsewhere:- **Rev Juliet Wriglesworth**, Westerhope 10.30am, **Ann Cooper**, Heddon 10.30am and **Rev Tim Woolley**, Denton Burn 10.30am and Milbourne 6.30pm.

BIBLE READINGS IN TODAY'S SERVICES

10am (Bridge) : James 2 : 1 - 10 and 14 - 17.

10am (Church) : Mark 7 : 24 - 37.

6.30pm : 1 Samuel 1 : 1 - 20, Ephesians 4 : 25 - 32.

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

1) Can you name Elkanah's two wives?

2) Add the missing words to this verse :-

“..... by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is”

You will find the answers on the back page.

LECTIONARY

Proverbs 22 : 1 - 2, 8 - 9, 22 - 33,
James 2 : 1 - 10, (11 - 13), 14 - 17,

Psalm 125,
Mark 7 : 24 - 37.

NEXT WEEK'S NOTICES, 16th SEPTEMBER Due to holidays, I will not be editing next week's copy. Please forward all content for this edition to **Andy Anderson** whose contact details can be found at the bottom of the back page.

Geoff

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING at Milbourne Methodist Church - **Sat 22nd Sept 10am - 12noon**. Please join us for coffee & cake for this very worthwhile charity. There will also be a cake stall and any donations of cakes would be very welcome. Thank you

Caroline

PASTORAL COMMITTEE MEETING Please could all pastoral visitors note that the meeting of the Pastoral Committee on **Tuesday 25th September** will commence at the earlier time of **7pm**, with a speaker from **Tyneside & Northumberland Mind**, followed by a short business session.

Thanks, *Bev.*

OPEN DOOR : HELP NEEDED. We are looking for new recruits to join our team. Do you have a few hours to spare on a Monday afternoon to help serve tea and cakes and enjoy a chat? If you would be interested in joining us or would like more information, please speak to **Judith Orton** (tel.872891) or email **john.orton1949@gmail.com** Thank You.

OPEN DOOR BIBLE STUDY will recommence on **Mon 10th Sept, from 2 - 3.30pm**, meeting in the lounge. Our next few sessions will be on the 'I am' sayings of Jesus.

We meet on the **2nd** and **4th Mondays** of each month and would welcome anyone who would like to come along for a taster.

Chris Cogan

'SEARCHLIGHT' resumes in St Mary's Parish Centre (Church Hall) in October.

BASSENFELL MANOR CHRISTIAN CENTRE Fri 25th – Sun 27th January 2019

I am now taking bookings for this weekend where our speaker will be **Rev Jona Sewell**. The cost of the weekend is as follows: Adults **£105** and Children **£40** (5-16 years inc) and under 5 years, free. If you would like to go on the weekend, please let me have a non-returnable deposit of **£50 per adult** and **£20 per child**, together with a cheque dated **11th January 2019** for the balance (**Adult £55 pp, Child £20 pp**) ASAP and **no later than 30th September**. (Cheques payable to C J Dent). It would also be a great help if you could let me know if you are unable to go this year. Kind regards **Carol Dent**

MINI MEANDER For our next walk on **Sept 15th** we plan to go to **Hexham** and walk by the river at Tyne Green. This will be an easy stroll on the flat. It is a linear walk and we will go as far as we feel comfortable before retracing our steps. We are sure to find somewhere for refreshments when we are finished (Brockbushes?) Please meet in the Chapel carpark at **10am**. For further enquiries, please contact **Jennifer Hardy** (821845)

METHODIST CHURCH PRAYER HANDBOOK 2018/2019 The new edition 'World Transformed' is now available, price **£3.50** from **Judith Orton**.

HARVEST LUNCH This year, we are holding a meal after the Harvest Sunday Parade Service at **12noon on the 7th October**. Tickets priced **£7** (children under 11 free) are available from **Andrew Pay** (871550)

THE FOOD BANK This week's total was **24 Kgs**. We are again blessed with very generous folk in our Church who continue to contribute to this worthwhile cause.

METHODIST WOMEN in BRITAIN present "JOURNEYS" at **Seahouses Methodist Church on Sat 22nd Sept between 10 am and 3 pm**. Join friends and make new ones as we explore through Worship, Bible Study and Workshops. Bring a packed lunch and donations are invited for tea and coffee. For car drivers, the 'SatNav' is **NE68 7RF**.

SUNDAY CLUB meets in the Lounge around 10.10am each Sunday as part of The Bridge Service. There are 2 groups - Stepping Stones for children up to school year 4, and Rock Solid for school years 5-8. More info from **Chrys Hudson** (821458)
There is also provision for children attending Morning Worship.

CHURCH CARETAKER : Marianne Groves (07725052009)

PRAYERS

Fill our hearts with your grace, O Lord, our souls with your love and our lives with your glory; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Loving God, in Christ, you offer us a vision of a world transformed, where all are valued, where your justice reigns, where hearts are strangely warmed by your grace. Open our hearts and minds that we may catch your vision, and be empowered by your Holy Spirit to work with you, that your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven. **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

Wed 12 th Sept	Circuit Preachers meeting 7pm Westerhope
Mon 17 th Sept	Finance and Property Meeting 7.30pm in the Lounge
Thurs 20 th Sept	Circuit Meeting 7pm Denton Burn
Sat 22 nd Sept	Meanders bus trip to Ripon, depart 9.30am , £12 p.p.
Tues 25 th Sept	Pastoral Committee meeting 7pm
Sun 7 th October	Harvest Festival Parade Service and Harvest Lunch at 12noon
Thurs 18 th October	Church Council 7.30pm
Sun 21 st October	Circuit 'Engage' event at Stamfordham, 6pm

CIRCUIT NOTICES

Tues 11 th	Lemington	9.30 - 11.30am. Clothes Bar.
Tues 11 th	Lemington	2pm. Ladies Meeting. Speaker: Mr. Geoff Orrock.
Tues 11 th	Westerhope	7.30pm. Weekday Praise. Led by Mrs. Barbara Lanyon.
Wed 12 th	Denton Burn	10am Beans and Banter Coffee Morning.
Wed 12 th	Heddon	11.30am.- 1.30pm. Community Lunch.
Wed 12 th	Heddon	7pm. Bible Study.
Wed 12 th	Westerhope	7pm. Circuit Preachers' Meeting.
Thurs 13 th	Heddon	10 - 11.30am. "The Garden Room" cuppa, friendship & fellowship
Thurs 13 th	Heddon	1.15- 2.15pm. Prayer Group.
Thurs 13 th	Heddon	7pm. Photography Group (all levels welcome) . 'The Basics of using Literoom photography software'
Tues 18 th	Lemington	9.30 - 11.30am. Clothes Bar.
Tues 18 th	Heddon	1.30 - 3.00pm. Craft and Chat. Crafts by Jill.
Wed 19 th	Heddon	7pm. Bible Study.
Wed 19 th	Westerhope	4 - 5.30pm. Messy Church
Thurs 20 th	Heddon	10 - 11.30am. "The Garden Room" cuppa, friendship & fellowship
Thurs 20 th	Heddon	1.15- 2.15pm. Prayer Group.
Thurs 20 th	Lemington	1.15 - 2.15pm. Open Doors - praying for the persecuted Church
Sat 22 nd	Blucher	3pm. Messy Church.
Sat 22 nd	Denton Burn	10am. Coffee Morning in aid of Leprosy Relief.
Sat 22 nd	Heddon	10am - 3.30pm. Ignite Alumni

Please send your notices for next week only to Andy Anderson by next Thursday, 6pm, Either by phone:- 01661 871844, by post:- 21, Richmond Way. NE20 9HUL or by E-mail :- andrew73anderson@gmail.com

If you would like to receive these notices by E-mail, please contact Geoff.

Bible Quiz Answers:- 1) Hannah and Peninnah (1 Samuel 1 : 2) 2) Faith, Dead (James 2 : 17)