

**Notices for Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2019**  
**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.*

**5<sup>th</sup> of Easter // Spiritual Gifts**

<b>Sun 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00am</b>  <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Joint Service – Rev Tim Woolley - Communion – "White sheets and Gentiles"</b>  <b>Rev Jona Sewell – Communion – "Love one another"</b>
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	1.15pm  2.00pm	Prayers for people, this week's activities and next Sunday's preachers. All welcome or let us have a prayer request. The Open Door :- cake, scones, tea, coffee and fellowship in the foyer.
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup>	2.30pm 6.30pm	DOMUS Bible Study at John Gill's, - 10 Darras Rd. Boys' Brigade – Display and Awards Night.
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5.45pm 7.00pm	Girls' Brigade - Explorers                      6.00pm - Junior Section Girls' Brigade - Seniors and Brigaders
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am 7.00pm	Toddler Thursdays - toys, activities and refreshments till 11am Backpackers Holiday Club meeting (see p.3)
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>		
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Gather North East here at PMC (see p.3)
<b>Sun 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10.00am</b> <b>10.00am</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>The Bridge – Ann Cooper</b> <b>Geoff Orrock</b> <b>David Forrester</b>

**CHURCH STEWARDS**

(am)            Pam Varley, Rosie Brown.

(pm)            Rosie Brown, Peter Michell.

**PRAY FOR OUR PREACHERS TODAY:- Rev Jona Sewell and Rev Tim Woolley.**

We also pray for those of our number who today are preaching elsewhere:-

**Rev Jona Sewell, Blucher 10.45am; Rev Tim Woolley, Heddon 6pm;**

**Rev Colin Barrick**, Heddon 10.30am and Milbourne 6.30pm; **Rachel Wood**, Scots Gap 10.30am; **Ann Cooper**, Keswick 10am and **Rev Maureen Lloyd**, Westerhope 10.30am.

### **BIBLE READINGS IN TODAY'S SERVICES**

**10am : Acts 11 : 1-18.**

**6.30pm : John 13 : 31-35.**

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

- 1) Jesus said "Where I am going....." (complete the sentence)
- 2) Which city was Peter in when he explained his actions?

You will find the answers on the back page.

### **LECTIONARY**

**Acts 11 :1-18, Psalm 148, Revelation 21 : 1-6, John 13 : 31-35.**

**RECENT CYCLONE IDAI AND FOUR HOMES OF MERCY APPEALS** Although the following was in the recent Steward's Report, we thought a reiteration may be helpful. Following the appeal to help with the relief work in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi following **Cyclone Idai**, we raised **£832** (which includes £250 from the church's Disaster Reserve). This has been sent via Christian Aid who are working with local agents to help provide much needed assistance.

The Easter Sunday offerings this year were for a charity in Palestine called '**Four Homes of Mercy**' which provides a loving home and specialised therapies for children and adults with severe multi-sensory challenges. This work is made additionally difficult by the political conflicts in the area. We were able to send **£737**.

Sincere thanks to everyone for their contributions to these appeals.

*Peter*

**BOYS' BRIGADE** 1st Ponteland Boys' Brigade are holding their Annual Display and Awards Night on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May starting at 6.30pm.** in the Church Hall. All are welcome to come and join us and celebrate the achievements the boys have gained in the past year. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

*Les*

**PLANT SALE** The Care & Share committee would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May, The magnificent sum of **£545.57** was raised from sales, previous sales and donations. Thank you very much indeed.

*Syd.*

**CIRCUIT ENGAGE EVENT** The next 'ENGAGE' event is on Monday evening **17<sup>th</sup> June , 7pm at Scots Gap Church** to link with the Wesley Tree Service. This theme will be: Radical Hospitality and Risk Taking Mission: Showing God's love in action.

*Hazel*

**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GARDEN PARTIES** We are pleased to confirm the following dates and venues for our Summer Garden Parties; time 2.30 - 4.00pm.

**18<sup>th</sup> June** - In Church -tobart Room & Foyer. **16<sup>th</sup> July**- Rosemary Gray, 24 The Rise,

**6<sup>th</sup> Aug** - Val Michell, 18 Pinegarth, **20<sup>th</sup> Aug** - Ann Cooper, 15 Guardians Court.

**DAVID PENRY** has been called to Higher Service (last Tuesday). Details of funeral arrangements will be made known next week.

**BACKPACKERS HOLIDAY CLUB** I have arranged a meeting on the **23<sup>rd</sup> May at 7pm** in the lounge for those interested in helping out in any way at the holiday club. I am going to need a lot of help to enable this project to happen. There are all sorts of roles required from group leaders, helpers, crafty people, games people and refreshments. If you would just like to know what it's all about please join me on the 23<sup>rd</sup> to discover what we will be up to. If you would like to help/be involved but can't make the meeting then please get in touch with me on 07772 482036, or email **alisonmaynard1@hotmail.com** Many Thanks

**THURSDAY FOCUS SUMMER OUTING** takes place on **13<sup>th</sup> June from 9.00am** to 5.30pm or 6.00pm. We will visit **Alnmouth Friary** for a tour round, and for refreshments. Please bring a packed lunch. After lunch, we will head to **Beadnell** for a WI high tea, before returning to the Memorial Hall car park. Cost, **£22** which includes travel, driver's tip and the high tea. Payment please, by cheque, made payable to **Jean Tweedie**. *Chris*

**PASTORAL VISITORS** Thank you to all Pastoral Visitors who have already responded with their preferred times to meet with Jona on either **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June** or **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July**. Please could all outstanding replies be provided by today preferably by email to **pmc.pastoral@sky.com** Thanks, *Bev*

**GATHER EVENTS:NORTH EAST** On **Sat 25<sup>th</sup> May** we have been welcomed back to Ponteland Methodist Church for a second time. There is something stirring in this town and the surrounding villages at present and we're praying for the Lord to prepare the hearts of those who don't yet know Him, as well as to give all believers a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit to share among them .The Gather Night will start with some fellowship over tea or coffee at 7pm and then the worship begins at **7:30pm**. All are welcome and entry is free. An offering will be taken to cover the ongoing costs of the Gather events. We look forward to praying for and with the people of Ponteland, as well as the surrounding villages. *Gaye*

**WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE** This week, I summarise **ROMANS** which is the longest and most systematic presentation of doctrine in the Bible. Paul's letter naturally takes first place after the biographies of Jesus and the history of the early Church. Some call this the Gospel according to Paul. It's written to a Church, which Paul had not visited. The theme of this letter is the offering of the gift of righteousness to everyone who comes to Christ by faith. The final five chapters are full of practical advice for daily living.

### **PRAYERS**

We bless your name, O God, for all your servants who have fought the fight and kept the faith. Grant us grace to follow their good examples, to continue their work and to enjoy their fellowship in the glory of your kingdom; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*

Lord God, we love and adore you. Gazing at the splendour of a sunset, we are transported to a vision of the glory of heaven. Everything in heaven is yours. Standing on the mountain top, we are in awe of your creation spread before us. Everything on earth is yours. Hearing the sound of beautiful music, you lift us up above our cares. In your hands are all strength and comfort. Marvelling at the sight of springtime buds and blossom, you give us renewed hope. You alone are the source of new life. Lord God, we love and adore you. *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.

**SUNDAY CLUB** meets in the Lounge around 10.10am each Sunday.

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)

**CHURCH CARETAKER** : *Marianne Groves* ( 07725052009)

### **DIARY DATES**

Sun 9th June	1-5pm	Party in the Park
Wed 12th June	2pm	Finance and Property Committee meeting
Thurs 13th June	9am	Focus outing
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> June	7pm	Circuit 'Engage' Event at Scots Gap
Thurs 20th June	7.30pm	Church Council
Sat 13th July		BBQ at the Hindles, Thropton
Tues 16th July	7.30pm	Leadership Team Meeting
29th July – 2nd August		'Backpackers' Holiday Club

### **CIRCUIT NOTICES**

Mon 20th	Westerhope	10am.	Oasis coffee morning. The church is open for quiet prayer and reflection.
Tues 21st	Lemington	9.30am.	Clothes bar.
Thurs 23rd	Heddon	10- 11.30am.	"The Garden Room"- cuppa, friendship, fellowship.
Thurs 23rd	Heddon	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Prayer Group.
Thurs 23rd	Heddon	7 - 8.30pm.	Bible Study.
Mon 27th	Westerhope	10am.	Oasis coffee morning. The church is open for quiet prayer and reflection
Sat 25th	Denton Burn	10am.	Coffee Morning for Church Fund.
Sat 25th	Lemington	10am.	Christian Aid Coffee Morning.
Thurs 30th	Heddon	10 - 11.30am.	'The Garden Room' cuppa, friendship, fellowship
Thurs 30th	Heddon	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Prayer Group.
Thurs 30th	Heddon	7 - 8.30pm.	Bible Study.

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

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**Bible Quiz Answers**:- 1) you cannot come (John 13:33) 2) Joppa (Acta 11:5)