

Notices for Sunday 26th 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.*

6th of Easter // Lord of Glory

Sun 26th Rogation Sunday	10.00am 10.00am 6.30pm	The Bridge - Ann Cooper - 'Yes you can' Geoff Orrock - Rogation - Asking, Receiving, Boundaries and Blessings'. David Forrester - 'A certain woman'.
Mon 27 th		Bank Holiday Monday – Prayer meeting and Open Door return next week
Tues 28 th		No BB due half term
Wed 29 th		No GB due half term
Thurs 30 th		Ascension Day
Fri 31 st	11.00am	A Celebration of the Life of David Penry – led by Rev Tim Woolley Followed by refreshments in the Church Hall
Sat 1 st JUNE	9.30am	Meanders – the Heritage Way – Beamish to Washington Old Hall led by Andy Anderson
Sun 2nd	10.00am 10.00am 6.30pm	The Bridge – Alison Maynard – ‘Jesus prays for us’ David Forrester Local Arrangement, led by the Stewards with Peter Hindle

CHURCH STEWARDS

(am) Peter Michell, Pete Cowey. (pm) Pam Varley.

PRAY FOR OUR PREACHERS TODAY:- Ann Cooper, Geoff Orrock and David Forrester. We also pray for those of our number who today are preaching elsewhere:-
Rev Tim Woolley, Blucher 10.45am; **David Forrester**, Heddon 10.30am;
Rev Robin Brooks, Westerhope 10.30am and **Rev Maureen Lloyd**, Westerhope 6pm.

BIBLE READINGS IN TODAY'S SERVICES

10am (Bridge) : John 5 : 1-15.

10am (Church) : Ezekiel 48 : 1- 8, Luke 11 : 1-13.

6.30pm : Acts 16 : 6-15, John 14 : 23-29.

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

- 1) How many years had the invalid been at the pool in Bethesda for?
- 2) What was Lydia's profession and which city did she come from?

You will find the answers on the back page.

LECTIONARY

Acts 16 : 9-15, Psalm 67, Revelation 21 : 10, 22 > 22:5, John 14 : 23-29 or John 5 : 1-9.

DAVID PENRY FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS On **Fri 31st May**, there will be a committal/burial service at **10.30am at Prestwick Cemetery**, this is not a private burial so you may attend. There will be a celebration of David's life in our Church at **11am** led by Rev Tim Woolley followed by refreshments in the Church Hall. All are welcome to attend.

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.

18th June - In Church-Stobart Room & Foyer. **16th July- Rosemary Gray**, 24 The Rise, **6th August** - **Val Michell**, 18 Pinegarth, **20th August** - **Ann Cooper**, 15 Guardians Court,. We shall continue to bring a faith tea for everyone to share. Could you please bring a cup, saucer, plate and, if possible, a garden chair (tea will be provided). If the weather is inclement the events will be held indoors. Many, many thanks to our hosts for their kind hospitality and we look forward very much to seeing you all. *Joyce*

CIRCUIT ENGAGE EVENT The next 'ENGAGE' event is on Monday evening **17th 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*

MINI MEANDER Our next one is on **8th June at Druridge Bay**. We have choices of walking around the lake and/or on the beach. Please bring a picnic – we hope the weather will be kind and allow us to eat outdoors. We will probably return to Ponteland mid-afternoon. Please meet in the Church car park at 10am. If you have any queries, please ring *Jennifer Hardy* on 821845.

METHODIST WOMEN in BRITAIN Newcastle District are having a World Church Day on **Sat 8th June at Brunswick Methodist Church**. The speaker is Barbara Dickinson, formerly of Maua Methodist Hospital in Kenya. Coffee is at **10am**, Worship at **10.30am** followed by a faith lunch. Envelopes with gifts for the World Mission Fund will be received with the offering. All are Welcome. *Kathleen*

WEDDING On **Saturday 15th June at 1:30pm** there will be a Marriage in our church of **Jackie Park and Richard Harris**. All are welcome to attend the service.

DAVID MacDONALD would like to thank members of the Church and friends for greetings cards and practical help on his move last week to **9 Meadowfield Park**. His phone number remains the same (821266). People have been so kind. God Bless, *David*

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

WOMEN's FOCUS SUMMER OUTING All places are taken but don't forget the date! Thurs 13th June, 9am to Alnmouth Friary and Beadnell. Return for 5.3- - 6pm *Chris*

WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE Each week, I am summarising the books in the **New Testament**. This week, we look at **1 Corinthians** which gives an amazing picture of the problems, pressures and struggles of a Church called out of a pagan society. Situated in southern Greece, Corinth was rebuilt by Julius Caesar after an enormous earthquake and became a thriving port. This letter includes sound spiritual teaching on marriage, spiritual gifts, the essence of love and the resurrection. An outline for communion services used by many today is also included. *Geoff*

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)

CHURCH CARETAKER : *Marianne Groves* (07725052009)

PRAYERS

Grant us grace, O God, to take your Son for our Redeemer; his life for our example, his word for our rule, his Spirit for our guide, his wounds for our healing and his cross for our salvation, that he may take possession of our hearts, now and for ever. *Amen*

Loving Father, what meaningful words can I say to you when you have heard them all so many times before? What can I offer you when every gift I have is already yours? So I bow my head in reverence and silence, and strive to meet with you, shutting out the noise and clamour of everyday life. And in the stillness, I wait to hear your word so that by your grace I may journey on my way as your loyal humble servant. *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

Sun 9 th June	1-5pm	Party in the Park
Wed 12 th June	2pm	Finance and Property Committee meeting
Thurs 13 th June	9am	Focus outing
Mon 17 th June	7pm	Circuit 'Engage' Event at Scots Gap
Thurs 20 th June	7.30pm	Church Council
Sat 13 th July		BBQ at the Hindles, Thropton
Tues 16 th July	7.30pm	Leadership Team Meeting
29 th July – 3 rd August		'Backpackers' Holiday Club

CIRCUIT NOTICES May/June

Thurs 30 th	Heddon	10 - 11.30am.	'The Garden Room' cuppa, friendship, fellowship
Thurs 30 th	Heddon	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Prayer Group.
Thurs 30 th	Heddon	7 - 8.30pm.	Bible Study.
Sat 1 st	Heddon	10 - 11.15am.	Men's Coffee Fellowship. Spkr: Pastor Tom Leighton
Mon 3 rd	Westerhope	10am.	Oasis coffee morning. Church is open for quiet prayer
Tues 4 th	Lemington	9.30am.	Clothes bar.
Wed 5 th	Heddon	6 - 8pm.	ALPHA – Got Questions? Come along and ask them in an informal setting.
Thurs 6 th	Heddon	10 - 11.30am.	'The Garden Room' cuppa, friendship, fellowship
Thurs 6 th	Heddon	10 - 4pm.	Prayer and Activity Day. "Thy Kingdom Come". The day will include worship, prayers and activity stations. Come and go as you like. Light refreshments served.
Thurs 6 th	Westerhope	7.30pm.	Circuit Preachers' Meeting.
Sat 8 th	Denton Burn	10am.	Tuesday Fellowship Coffee Morning
Sat 8 th	Heddon	2 - 4pm.	Church Anniversary Tea.
Sat 8 th	Lemington	10am.	Craft and Chat.
Sat 8 th	Lemington	3pm.	Messy Church.
Mon 10 th	Westerhope	10am.	Oasis coffee morning. Church is open for quiet prayer
Tues 11 th	Lemington	9.30am.	Clothes bar.
Tues 11 th	Lemington	2pm.	Ladies' Meeting.
Tues 11 th	Heddon	1.30 - 3pm.	Craft and Chat.
Tues 11 th	Westerhope	7.30pm.	Weekday Praise.

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

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

Bible Quiz Answers:- 1) 38 years (John 5:5) 2) a dealer in purple cloth, Thyatira (Acts 16:14)