

**Notices for Sunday 12<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.*

**4<sup>th</sup> of Easter // A Faithful Ministry**

<b>Sun 12<sup>th</sup></b> LOCAL PREACHERS EXCHANGE	<b>10.00am</b> <b>10.00am</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>The Bridge -Steve Small - ‘Claimed’</b> <b>Arnold Hood - ‘Power, Promises and Partnership’</b> <b>Prof. Richard Stephenson - ‘Jesus meets his disciples’</b>
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	1.15pm 1.30pm 2.00pm 2.00pm	Churches Together Ecumenical Prayer Meeting at <b>St. Mary’s Church</b> All welcome or let us have a prayer request. Carpet Bowls AGM The Open Door :- cake, scones, tea, coffee and fellowship in the foyer. Open Door Bible Study - Ephesians Ch 3 ‘Prisoner & Preacher’
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm 5.45pm 7.00pm	Women’s Fellowship – AGM including talk by Kathleen - ‘Called to Serve’ - cake and tea to follow. Boys’ Brigade - Anchor Boys Boys’ Brigade - Junior, Company and Senior Sections
Wed 15 <sup>th</sup>	5.45pm 7.00pm 7.00pm	Girls’ Brigade - Explorers 6.00pm - Junior Section Girls’ Brigade - Seniors and Brigaders Steward’s meeting at 42 Ridgely Drive
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Toddler Thursdays - toys, activities and refreshments till 11am Meanders long weekend in Keswick
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Carpet Bowls (last session of the current season)
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>		Meanders – in Keswick
<b>Sun19<sup>th</sup></b> ALDERSGATE SUNDAY	<b>10.00am</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Joint Service - Rev Tim Woolley - Communion</b> <b>Rev Jona Sewell - Communion</b>

**CHURCH STEWARDS**

(am) Pete Cowey, Pam Varley. (pm) Brenda Rutter

**PRAY FOR OUR PREACHERS TODAY :-Steve Small, Arnold Hood and Prof. Richard Stephenson.** We also pray for our Circuit Local Preachers who today are preaching elsewhere:- **Rosemary Gray** going to Houghton le Spring ; **Rachel Wood** going to Middle Herrington; **Geoff Orrock** going to Hetton le Hole; **Ann Cooper** going to Seaham; **Alan Golphin** going to Fencehouses **Ruth Vickers** going to Sunnyside and **David Forrester** going to Shiney Row.

**BIBLE READINGS IN TODAY'S SERVICES**

**10am (Bridge) : John 10 : 22-30.**

**10am (Church) : 2 Peter 1 : 1-4, 10-11, 2 Corinthians 4 : 7-9, 14, 16-18 and 5 : 5.**

**6.30pm : 1st Corinthians 15 : 1-11, Luke 24 : 25-32, Luke 24 : 33-43.**

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

1) What do we have in jars of clay?

2) When Jesus asked the eleven "do you have anything here to eat?" what did they give him? You will find the answers on the back page.

**LECTIONARY**

**Acts 9 : 36-43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7 : 9-17, John 10 : 22-30.**

**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**

**TWEEDIE'S TOURS** are visiting the **Isle of Wight**. There are a few places free on this visit. We're departing on **Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> June**, returning **Sat 29<sup>th</sup>** Our hotel is situated on the Esplanade in Sandown and we have a fascinating itinerary planned. Cost is **£410 pp** sharing and includes all coach and ferry travel and Dinner, Bed and Breakfast. If you would like to join us, please get in touch with me. **Jean Tweedie** (01661 822474)

**WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE** This week, I summarise the 5<sup>th</sup> book in the New Testament, **ACTS**. ACTS forms the second volume of Luke's writings and as a result means he is a major contributor to the New Testament! This is a unique record of the founding of the early Church and gives a graphic account of its growth throughout the Roman Empire. Whilst Luke is not named in Acts he is obviously included in the 'we' sections recording the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> missionary journeys and the shipwreck of Chapter 27.

**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 **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May**, preferably by email to **pmc.pastoral@sky.com** Thanks, *Bev*

**ALION BATES** would like to thank everyone for all their good wishes and gifts on her recent birthday celebration. It's such a privilege to be part of a loving Church family.

**NEXT WEEKS NOTICES** will be issued on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May** as I'm in the Lakes from 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> May meandering. Please let me have any items for the notices as early as possible but no later than **6pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> please**. Thank you. *Geoff*

**THE CLOTHES BAR** The work of the Clothes Bar is going from strength to strength and we are very grateful for all the donations we receive. We are very short of items for GIRLS age 5 - 9 years (summer clothing) Please can you help? Donations can be put in the box in the foyer or dropped off at Lemington Methodist Church on Tuesdays between 9.30 and 11.30 am. Many thanks, *Katie*

**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*

**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)

### **PRAYERS**

Let the fragrance of your glory draw us into your presence, O Christ. Let the perfume of your love be our salvation and let the scent of your sacrifice bring us your blessing. *Amen*

Heavenly Father, when we're tempted to feel despondent, when our lives seem dreary or dull, and the world around us looks fragile and forlorn, surprise us with your Spirit. Challenge us to stop, listen and look again to see a world transformed by your love, a people bearing your divine image, and a new day, open to all the rich possibilities of your infinite, amazing grace. *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.

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

## DIARY DATES

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

## CIRCUIT NOTICES : May

Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Westerhope</b>	10am.	Oasis coffee morning. Church open for quiet prayer and reflection.
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lemington</b>	9.30am.	Clothes bar.
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lemington</b>	2pm.	Ladies Meeting. Speaker: Mr. Geoff Orrock.
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	1.30 - 3.00pm.	Craft and Chat.
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Westerhope</b>	7.30pm.	Weekday Praise.
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	10 - 11.30am.	The Garden Room - cuppa, friendship, fellowship
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Prayer Group.
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	7 - 8.30pm.	Bible Study.
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lemington</b>	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Open Doors-praying for the persecuted Church
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Blucher</b>	10- 11.30am.	Christian Aid Coffee Morning
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Blucher</b>	3 - 5pm.	Messy Church
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Denton Burn</b>	7pm.	Film Night.
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Westerhope</b>	10am.	Oasis coffee morning. The church is open for quiet prayer and reflection.
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Lemington</b>	9.30am.	Clothes bar.
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	10- 11.30am.	“The Garden Room”- cuppa, friendship, fellowship.
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Prayer Group.
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	7 - 8.30pm.	Bible Study.
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Westerhope</b>	10am.	Oasis coffee morning. The church is open for quiet prayer and reflection
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Denton Burn</b>	10am.	Coffee Morning for Church Fund.
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Lemington</b>	10am.	Christian Aid Coffee Morning.
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	10 - 11.30am.	‘The Garden Room’ cuppa, friendship, fellowship
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	1.15 - 2.15pm.	Prayer Group.
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Heddon</b>	7 - 8.30pm.	Bible Study.

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

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