



Buxton Methodist Church

'The Church in the Market Place'

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Weekly Notice Sheet

Sunday 18th March



10.30am All Age Worship & Parade Service
& Sunday Club, Rev Andrew Parker
6pm *no service*



Sunday 25th March

Palm Sunday

10.30am Morning Worship & Sunday Club
Ruth Hayter
6pm Taizé with Holy Communion



Quiet prayers - the choir area at the front of the church is available after the service for quiet prayer and reflection. You are invited to use it for as long as you need. If you would like someone to pray with you feel free to ask the minister.

Fairtrade tea and coffee are served after Morning Worship.



Mid-week Communion Service

Tuesday, 10.30am-11am. Led by Rev Andrew Parker.

Morning Cafes

Tuesdays and Saturdays, 10am to 12noon. All welcome.
Fairly-traded tea & coffee, toast, tea cakes, cookies, soup.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Monday 19th March - **CTiB Forum Meeting** - 7.30pm, URC.

Tuesday 20th March - **Lenten Lunch** - 12.15-1.15pm, Bath Road Centre, £3.

Wednesday 21st March - **Network** - Angela Elvidge and Mary-Lou Johnson will be speaking about taking Guides to Canada. 2.30pm, Lower Room, BMC.

Wednesday 21st March - **Keep it Simple** - 7.30-9pm, Lower Room, BMC.

Friday 23rd March - **Hobby Horse Challenge** - by Youth2Youth Group for Sport Relief. With drinks, cakes and bric-a-brac stall. 5pm-6.30pm, BMC.

Saturday 24th March - **Inbetweeners Walk** - around Tittesworth Reservoir in aid of Christian Aid and in memory of Colin Pearson. Leaving 8.45am, BMC.

Wednesday 28th March - **Network** - 2.30pm, Lower Room, BMC.

Friday 30th March - **Good Friday Walk of Witness** – from St John’s Church

Friday 30th March - **Good Friday Meditation** - see adjacent.

Sunday 1st April - **Easter Morning Communion** - 8am, Solomon’s Temple

Sunday 1st April - **Hollinsclough Chapel Anniversary Service** - 2.30pm

Wednesday 4th April - **Coffee Morning** - 10.30am, Earl Sterndale Chapel.

Friday 6th April - **Community Café** - 5-7pm, URC.

Saturday 7th April - **Christian Aid Event** - see adjacent.

Tuesday 10th April - **An Introduction to Islam** - with Robin Fisher. 7.30-9pm, Buxton Parish Centre, Bath Road.

Wednesday 18th April - **CTiB/University Chaplaincy Public Lecture**

GOOD FRIDAY MEDITATION

Sing for Good Friday Evening: “The Power of the Cross”: A Musical Meditation. Join CTiB and Buxton Music Group for a musical meditation on Friday 30th March, 8pm at the Buxton Methodist Church. Practise sessions are on Fridays 16th and 23rd March and Tuesday 27th March, 7.30-9pm. The music is all easy to sing: please come and take part.

EASTER STORY CRAFTS & EGG HUNT

BMC Sunday Clubs are hosting a special event this Easter Sunday, 1st April from 10.30am. ‘Tots to Teens’ are welcome.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING REPORT

- One of the major items was an agreement to seek the appointment of a paid Family Worker for 12 hours per week to support and work alongside the volunteers who do such good work with the children and young people in our church family.
- The meeting spent some time reviewing the financial report which had the basic headline that last year we had an overspend of £16,753 and our 5 year forecast expects our reserves to fall from £201,902 in 2016/17 to £90,000 in 2021/22. A more detailed financial report will be in the next magazine. Thanks were expressed to the finance c'ttee and particularly to Roddie MacLean who is 'retiring' from the finance c'ttee.
- The meeting received an update from the property c'ttee and thanks were expressed to the property c'ttee for the work they do in keeping our premises in such good condition.
- The meeting agreed for the church to be an All We Can Partner Church where we will receive information about AWC projects for use in our magazine or during our Sunday services.
- The meeting agreed to encourage those who wish to go to the Big Church Day out and subsidise tickets by 50% - contact Jenny Parker or Pip Strachan if you are interested in going.
- The meeting agreed to support the charity 'Toilet Twinning' and by paying £60 per toilet, our toilets will be twinned with a new toilet built in a community somewhere in the world which doesn't have proper sanitation.
- With the focus of All We Can being upon Zimbabwe this year, the meeting agreed to financially support the sending of a box of resources to Zimbabwe.
- The meeting was pleased with the banners, posters and cross that are now in various rooms and there will be some new banners for Easter.

DATA PROTECTION & GDPR

New, general data protection regulations (GDPR) are coming into force on 25th May 2018. The GDPR call for more accountability and transparency when using individuals' personal information. I am coordinating the steps toward compliance of BMC. If anyone I have not already emailed leads a Church group or takes or keeps the personal data of its members, volunteers or group participants, please get in touch with me at admin@buxtonmethodist.co.uk. Guidance will be shared in due course. Cheers, Ali Q-C.

THE METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Sight Loss-Friendly Churches

The Torch Trust are offering support for churches who want to become 'sight loss friendly' with advice available on their website to ensure that churches are safe and welcoming to all with visual impairments. Visit: with.torchtrust.org.uk > How Torch can help.

Thy Kingdom Come: Pledge2Pray

Methodist Church in Britain is now a partner in the *Thy Kingdom Come* global prayer movement. They ask you to share your faith stories on social media using #Pledge2Pray. A range of resources and kits are available at www.thykingdomcome.global > Pledge2Pray.

Still bearing fruit in old age

In a society which seems to value youth, an ecumenical event will explore how God works through those who are older. Thursday 22nd March, Methodist Central Hall, Coventry. To find out more, please email the Revd Pauline Warner on paulinewarn@gmail.com.

CHRISTIAN AID EVENT



All are invited to a pre-Christian Aid week event for volunteers and supporters. Saturday 7th April, 10am-12noon, Darley Dale Methodist Hall, DE4 2FS. Kate MacLean will be going and has space for three passengers if anyone would like lift. Please get in touch with her to arrange.

PRAYER BOX

Please remember in your prayers Margaret and Howell Hawkins.

We remember those who are no longer able to come to church and those in nursing homes. This week we especially pray for all at The Haddon Hall Care Home; remembering also the nursing staff and carers.

If you have any prayer requests to include here please pass them to Rev David Harrison (07745 571655) or Rev Andrew Parker (01298 23556).

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Weekly Notices by 1pm on Thursday please—written or by email.