



# Zetland Park Methodist Church Newsletter May 2014

## Worship

- 4<sup>th</sup> May 10:45 a.m. Revd. Arthur Harbottle  
6:00 p.m. Thelma Hobday
- 11<sup>th</sup> May 10:45 a.m. Mike Clark  
**Start of Christian Aid week** 6:00 p.m. Revd. Chris Eddy *at Saltburn*
- 18<sup>th</sup> May 10:45 a.m. Jenny Haigh  
**Fellowship Sunday** 6:00 p.m. Revd. Alan Coates: Easter Offering Service *at Saltburn*
- 25<sup>th</sup> May 10:45 a.m. Revd. Chris Eddy: Communion  
6:00 p.m. Liz Chadwick
- 1<sup>st</sup> June 10:45 a.m. Revd. Trevor Haigh  
3:00 p.m. Circuit service *at Skelton Green*

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## Au revoir

By the time you read this I will either be about to depart or will already have gone! Firstly, on the Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from the 5th to 15th May with a group of 23 of us and then on a three month Sabbatical! This means that you will see much less of me from May to the end of August as I won't be "working" in the normal sense of the word and you will not be able to contact me by the usual means!

Understandably this raises questions in people's minds as to whom they turn to when 'their' Minister is not at their 'beck and call' for support. My Sabbatical Support Group has produced some helpful information under the heading 'Sabbatical Cover', which is printed elsewhere, which should answer most questions. If in doubt please contact Sandra Carter, our Church Steward.

In the May issue of Connexions, which is the little Newsletter I produce for all my churches, I explain a little more of what I will be doing, so please do ensure you get a copy from church in due course.

Now, though I will be away for some of the Sabbatical, don't be surprised if I do turn up at the back of the church to join the congregation for worship, or drop in to a social event - just because I am not 'on duty' does not mean to say I stop being a Christian or a member of the church! That said, you might also see me at the odd Circuit event too.

Anyway, until September, au revoir and all blessings

Arthur

### **Larger than circuits consultation at Marske on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.**

All members welcome to take part:

Do we need Districts?

Do we need Regions rather than districts?

What do we want Districts to do?

Can this be done at circuit level instead?

### **Network Dinner**

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June at 6 p.m. £7.50

## **Parking**

Some of our members are finding it more difficult to get about.

It would be good if we could try to make parking spaces in front of the church and hall available for them and their drivers to park or drop people off, especially as the road is so narrow.

## **Circuit Prayer Meetings**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at Moorsholm  
Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at Skelton Green

## **Sabbatical Cover**

As we know, Rev. Arthur is leading a pilgrimage to Israel in May and then begins his Sabbatical. This means that he will be away from 5th May until the end of August.

He plans to spend his time researching and learning about the problems and needs of his ageing congregations. During his visit to Haiti he is keen to see how the people there have been damaged by the earthquake experience and how they are coping with the aftermath of the disaster.

During this time Rev. Trevor Haigh (01642 480104) will be the first point of contact for funerals and Revd Chris Eddy (01287 623245) for critical Pastoral issues which require a Minister rather than a Pastoral Visitor. Once Chris Eddy has left the Circuit at the end of July then contact could be made with Revd Isabel Stuart (01287 623245) who will be returning from her Sabbatical. If all else fails, the Rev. Alan Coates (01287 660252) or one of the Supernumerary Ministers would help or advise.

If you visit anyone in hospital and you know that they would like pastoral care, you are asked to contact the Chaplaincy service on 01642 854802 but, unless you are sure, you should ask the patient first.

Arthur's sabbatical group wished him a rewarding and successful time and I'm sure we shall all pray for him and his family as he takes a break from his usual routine.

Sandra Carter (Co-ordinator, Sabbatical Support Group)

## **Power Praise at Marske**

Worship in a contemporary style.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 10<sup>th</sup> June

## **Newsletter by email**

If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please let the editor know.

## Christian Aid

Thank you to everyone who is "Counting your Blessings" this Lent. I'm happy to send off money for you or the form tells you how to send it yourself.

Christian Aid week is 11th - 17th May this year. Christian Aid week serves a number of purposes including raising money for and awareness of the work of Christian Aid both in long-term, sustainable projects and crisis work.

It also allows us to witness for Christ, showing that, for us, being Christians is not just a Sunday thing. As usual, there are a number of ways you can get involved, if you want to. House collections remain very effective and if anyone is able to help then please see me. If anyone feels able to post envelopes but not collect them then that would help our regular collectors. Some people also get envelopes from me just for family and friends and that also is very useful. I'm also going to have a red (Christian Aid's colour) stall on the 18th May after Church so any red items you'd like to donate would be gratefully received.

Thank you, Sandie

### Property Development

We are preparing a small property enhancement scheme. If you have any suggestions for work that could be performed please see a member of the scheme planning group; Paul, Sandra, John, Ann and Michael.

Ideas so far include new external doors, continuing the window replacement program, loft insulation and external signs.

**Community Lunch Club** eats midday Tuesday

**Fellowship** meets 7:30 p.m. every Wednesday

**Thursday @Church** meets at 7:30 p.m.

May 8<sup>th</sup> and May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Subjects to be confirmed.

**Friday @10** for Prayer and meditation:

10 a.m. May 30th

10 a.m. June 13th (due to holiday)

July and August - no meeting

10 a.m. September 26th

### Next Newsletter

Please let Paul have items for the next newsletter by 18<sup>th</sup> May

**(Note the earlier deadline due to holidays)**

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