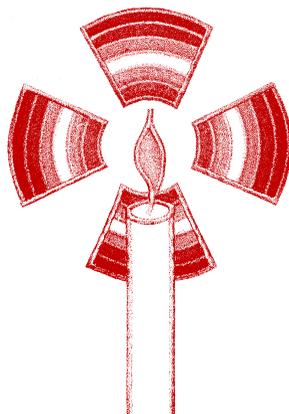


Zetland Park Methodist Church Newsletter September 2016



- 28th August 10:45 am Pat Clarke
6:00 pm Revd. Dr. Jonathan Hustler *at Marske*
- 4th September 10:45 am Thelma Hobday
3:00 pm Revd. John Henry and Ruth Gee *at Saltburn*
Welcome service for Revd. Helena Harbottle
- 11th September 10:45 am Revd. Arthur Harbottle : Communion
6:00 pm Revd. Malcom Newman *at Marske*
- 18th September 10:45 am Ann Anderson
6:00 pm Revd. John Henry *at Marske*
- 25th September 10:45 am Revd. Isabel Stuart : Harvest
6:00 pm Revd. Arthur Harbottle : Harvest
- 2nd October 10:45 am Sandie Dixon
6:00 pm Revd. Arthur Harbottle *at Marske*

All Services are at Zetland Park unless indicated

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Well, it has been a busy week, a very busy week! Everywhere I have looked, farmers are busy with the harvesting of grain crops, combine harvesters and tractors busying up and down fields, working well into the night - and probably through it - before the weather turns.

Of course, that reminds me of one of my favourite parables told by Jesus, the Parable of the Sower, which is so often heard at this time of year as we approach Harvest Thanksgivings, even though, if the honest truth be known, it has little to commend it as good instruction to farmers!

Like many of the parables of Jesus, those who first heard them would likely either have been left scratching their heads, laughing out loud or scoffing! In the time of Jesus farmers were very careful not to waste good and valuable seed by letting it fall in unproductive corners; on the path, in patches of weeds or on unprepared rocky ground! But, of course, the parable isn't about farming, it is about God and what God does! The sowing of the seed of God's love has never been restricted by Him to only those who will respond, but is sown liberally abroad for all to experience - God loves all his creatures and wants all people to know and experience that love.

That is the difference between humankind and God - we are so precise and restrictive, sometimes even selfish, but God is so generous. God's grace and love is for all, even if some chose not to accept it. And this is the essential message the church always needs to be reminded - His grace and love are not just for me and us, they are for all and second only to worshipping God, the churches' task is to show and spread that love to all. It was the thirst to share that love which drove the Wesley's and the other founders of Methodism to teaching, preaching and good works which were the marks of the growing church. Wesley had a succinct way of putting it, of which you may have heard ...

- all need to be saved
- all can be saved
- all may know themselves to be saved
- all may be completely saved

But if all are to be saved, then all need to hear the message, the message which is nicely put in Romans 10:14:

"How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?"

So let us all go generously sowing God's seeds of love and kindness, and especially to those who have not yet experienced the love of God for themselves!

... Arthur

Circuit Prayer Meeting

Saturday 3rd September

8:30am - 9:30 am

at **Newcomen**

Saturday 1st October

8:30am - 9:30 am

At Danby.

On the afternoon of Sunday

12th June a member of

Zetland Park's congregation,

Bill Hurst, was one of 71 VIPs born in 1926 (the same year as the Queen)

invited by the Lord-Lieutenant of Yorkshire, Barry Dodd CBE, to attend the

special service in Ripon Cathedral to celebrate the 90th birthday of Her

Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second. Bill was accompanied by his daughter

Pamela Stenson, from Guisborough.

They both very much enjoyed the occasion and Bill especially appreciated the music of the Band of the Yorkshire Regiment that played before, during and after the service. Members of the congregation were given a copy of the tribute booklet "The Servant Queen and the King she serves", published by the Bible Society.

The service, which was led by the Right Rev Nicholas Baines, Bishop of Leeds, and the Very Rev John Dobson, Dean of Ripon, was also attended by many people serving in the Armed Forces, the Police and Emergency Services and in Local Government as well as volunteers from some of the charitable organisations of which the Queen is Patron.

The **Community Lunch Club** restarts on Tuesday
6th September.

In the hall at 12:30 pm.

New volunteers for the kitchen or driving are
always welcome.

The new season of **Fellowship** meetings starts on
Wednesday 7th September. In the hall at 7:30

The next Smiles

Coffee Morning

will be held on Saturday

3rd September 10 - 11.30.

To raise money for Christmas gifts for the
children in Romania.

Jenny is still collecting books, CDs and DVDs
(yellow box in church foyer), as well as
pennies etc (jar in foyer).

FRIDAY @ TEN

The next meeting will
be on Friday 23rd
September at 10 am.
Come and join us and
enjoy a cuppa!

See Lynn King for
further information.

Future Events

September 3 rd Saturday	10:00-11:30am	Coffee morning for Smiles
Monday 26 th September	6:00pm	Harvest Supper with entertainment
Saturday 5 th November	12:30 pm	Bangers and Mash 12:30. With Cake Stall. Start our Anniversary with a bang(er)!
Saturday 12 th November		Walk through the Old Testament. Whole day event at Newcomen.
Saturday 3 rd December		Links Singers with light refreshments
Wednesday 14 th -December		Marske Silver band

A few weeks ago Una Peacock, for many years a member here at Zetland Park, came to visit and appreciated meeting many of her old friends.

She has kindly made a donation to the Lunch Club; which is being used to purchase a replacement gas cooker. Our thanks go to Una for this donation.

Charity collection boxes:

Please would holders of **World Church** boxes please bring them in to Jackie Rae for emptying

JMA boxes should be handed to Geraldine Sims.

Mission for Britain boxes should be handed to Jillian Elvidge.

Action for Children boxes should be handed to Alison Davey.

If you wish to join one of the box schemes please see these members.

Next Newsletter

Please let Paul have items for the October newsletter by

Sunday 25th September or by email :

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Newsletter by email

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