

Keswick Methodist Church

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Notices for week commencing 20 March 2016



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A prayer for Palm Sunday

Lord, you've guided us through the difficult days of Lent, encouraging us along the way. We pray as we move towards the darkest day, that you'll not forsake us but remind us of our Saviour's ultimate gift and promise of new, abundant, eternal life for all who believe and trust in him, your precious son, Jesus. Amen

Sunday 20 March: Palm Sunday

10.45am Morning Worship led by Roy Ellis

Coffee and tea will be served in the Grisedale Room
after the service. Please join us.

6.30pm The Saviour : Easter Cantata with Churches

Together in Keswick Choir at St John's Church

Flowers: Kath Smith

This Coming Week:

Thursday 24 March:

9.30-9.45am Vision21 Time to Pray: where you are

7pm The Last Supper & Tenebrae

led by Rev Joyce Ellis

Friday 25 March: Good Friday

10am Good Friday Meditation led by Moses John11am Walk of Witness – with Churches Together

Sunday 27 March: Easter Sunday

7.30am Sunrise Service at Crow Park

10.45am Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by

Rev David Hasson

Flowers 27 March: Joan Boothroyd

Churches Together Palm Sunday Service: 6.30pm at St Johns Church

A CTiK service will be held in St John's Church on Palm Sunday, 20 March at 6.30pm. This service will consist almost entirely of a Passiontide cantata **THE SAVIOUR** by William Lloyd Webber. William was a fine composer, organist, musical director and academic. He held a number of significant posts, including those at the Royal College of Music and Westminster Central Hall. The work is a cantata



for choir, congregation, soloists and organ and covers similar material to the better known *Crucifixion* by Stainer and *Olivet to Calvary* by Maunder. In addition to a slightly later 20th century romantic style of music, this work is distinguished by not stopping at the crucifixion, but has a glorious final section looking beyond Easter to the 'New Life in Christ'. The choir will be the Choir of Churches Together in Keswick and Friends.

Jubilatte and Prayer Meeting

There will be no prayer meeting or Jubilatte on Maundy Thursday, 24 March. The next ones will be Thursday 31 March at the usual times of 9.30am for the prayer meeting and 10.15am for Jubilatte.

Last Supper & Tenebrae: Maundy Thursday 7pm

Rev Joyce Ellis will lead this informal communion on Thursday 24 March at 7pm. The word 'tenebrae' comes from the Latin meaning 'darkness'. This is an ancient Christian service that makes use of gradually diminishing light through the extinguishing of lights or



candles to symbolise the events of Holy Week, from the triumphant Palm Sunday entry up to Jesus' burial. This increasing darkness symbolises the approaching darkness of Jesus' death and of hopelessness in the world without God. The service concludes in darkness and worshipers then leave in silence to ponder the impact of Christ's death and await the coming



resurrection.

Good Friday Procession: 11am-12 noon

The Churches Together in Keswick walk of witness will take place on Good Friday, starting from Theatre by the Lake car park at 11am, calling at the Market Square and ending at Crosthwaite Parish Room for a light lunch. Donations for the lunch are welcome with any profit going to charity.

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service: 7.30am Please note that although sunrise on Easter Sunday is due at 6.54am, the Churches Together Sunrise Service this year will be held at 7.30am in Crow Park.

This will be followed by bacon butties and coffee.





Easter Cross

During morning worship on Easter Day, the Easter Cross will be positioned in the church to be decorated with spring flowers to symbolise new life. The empty cross will be put up for Palm Sunday and the difference between the appearance on both weeks will be striking. Please try and bring with you on Easter Day some spring flowers, either bought or from your garden, to place on the cross. We plan that the

cross will then be placed outside the church after the service for passers by to witness the glory of Easter Day. Many thanks.

Sally Lunson, Flower Co-ordinator: 71016



Church AGM

On Sunday 17 April there will be Bring and Share lunch after the morning service. This will be followed by the Annual General Meeting of our church. Everyone is

welcome. I hope that as many members and friends of the church as possible will be able to come. Please put the date in your diary now. Roy Ellis



Church Outing

The next church outing will be on Friday 15 April when we'll have a cruise on Windermere. We'll drive (via Kirkstone Pass) to Ambleside where we'll get

the boat to Bowness. We'll have a leisurely lunch in Bowness then get the boat back to Ambleside. The return fare is usually £10.30 but we'll get a special offer for £2.70. There'll be more details later but please put the date in your diary now.

Roy Ellis

North Lakes Foodbank

Particular items needed this week – UHT fruit juice and UHT milk (not skimmed). Usual items are always also still needed. Over the past year the North Lakes Foodbank



thefoodbank.org.uk

has

helped 5,500 people, (3,800 adults and 1,700 children). With your help we have been donated 50 tonnes of food which has enabled us to help people in short term crisis within Allerdale and Copeland.



Action for Children : Could anyone who has

an Action for Children box please let me have it as soon as possible. I'd be happy to collect it if you give me a ring.

Thanks. Katie Norburn (74573)

Puddings have arrived!

The new pudding order has arrived and all varieties are available again at £5 each i.e. Sticky Toffee, Golden Syrup, Triple Chocolate, Luscious Lemon and Triple Ginger.



** **Special Easter deal:** the first twelve purchasers of two puddings will also receive a FREE jar of either a delicious Ultimate Chocolate Sauce or Ultimate Sticky Toffee Sauce **

Helen North (78025)

Portrait Photographs

A picture is worth 1000 words! Have your portrait taken in the Church with all proceeds going to the Church Redevelopment Fund. Details are on the display in the Grisedale Room. Please book your portrait with me. Thanks.

Brian Moffat



Progressive Supper: Saturday 16 April

Due to holidays and other events the progressive supper will be postponed until later in the year. Look out for more details then!





Lent Lunches: The final Lent Lunch was held last
Onday. After lunch we were entertained to a
Wonderful selection of songs from the St Herbert's

School choir. The donations during the six weeks came to £866 and our expenses were £254 giving a net total

of £612. Many people signed a Gift Aid declaration which will add another £96. So, over the six lent lunches we raised £708 for Christian Aid. Thank you to everyone who attended and made a donation.

Roy Ellis

The Servant Queen and the King she serves

The Queen marks her 90th birthday this year. To celebrate, the Bible Society has joined forces with HOPE and the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity to publish a book about the Queen's Christian faith called The Servant Queen and the King She Serves. This beautifully-illustrated short book uses



the Queen's own words to describe her faith in God. There's a copy in the Grisedale Room for you to look at and if you'd like your own free copy you can order it at www.biblesociety.org.uk/landing/servantqueen or by having a word with me and I can order it for you.

Anne Hasson (75818)

Vision 21 Appeal and Gifts & Skills Questionnaire

There are still some outstanding replies needed from the Vision 21 letter that Sue and I sent out earlier this year. Please do either complete and send them back or have a word with me about them if you're unable to do so. If you didn't get a copy of the letter and questionnaire, or can't remember where you've put it, please contact me for another! Many thanks for helping to move our church life forward.

David Hasson (75818 / revhasson@aol.com)



Vision21 Quiz: The March quiz, with an Easter theme, is still available price £1 from Anne or Helen. It's due back by 31 March. The prize is a £10 gift card. The answers to the February quiz are displayed on the noticeboard in the Grisedale Room.

Helen North & Anne Hasson

The I♥Keswick Calendar

The exciting news is that the Fundraising Group will be selling two quality 2017 calendars this summer! One will be a slim wall calendar and the other an A4 wall hanging calendar. Both will have a page to a month. Both will celebrate the beauty of Keswick and surrounding area. Both will contain unique photos supplied by YOU! The best photos for each



month will be chosen by an independent judge who'll be looking for quality and suitability. Photos should be digital, landscape and of scenes of the Keswick, Derwentwater, Borrowdale and Newlands areas. The quality needed is at least mm 190 x 119/pixels 2244 x 1406 (300 dpi). If you'd like one of your photos to be considered for inclusion in the calendar please email it as a Jpeg, Tiff, Psd or Raw file to helen.north1@gmail.com or annehasson@aol.com by Monday, 21 March.

Anne Hasson (75818) for Fundraising Group

Travels of the I♥KESWICK bag

The #lovekeswickbag has this week enjoyed a curry with Caroline in a curry house in Uxbridge! Where will it get to next?

Don't forget you can buy your bag for £5 in church, at the Cheese Deli or in John Young's. They're very handy for lots of different things!!



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To all our visitors

- You're very welcome to our church today. We hope you enjoy
 worshipping with us. Please sign our visitors' book and put a pin on the
 map which is in the Grisedale Room (as you came into church). We'd
 welcome any suggestions you might have to help us improve our
 hospitality.
- Children are welcome in our services. A box of toys and activities is available if you need them. If you prefer, you may sit in the Grisedale Room, where you'll still be able to hear the service. Please ask a Steward if you need any help.
- Please keep in touch with us throughout the year through our website and our Facebook page.

Loop System:

We have a loop system for those who wear a hearing aid.

Hymn Books:

We normally sing from Singing the Faith and most Sundays the words are projected onto the screen. Hymn books are always available in the pews. Hymn books with tunes and large print hymn books are available. Please ask a Steward.

Website & Facebook

Our website is www.keswickmethodistchurch.org.uk. Please visit us there. You can also follow us on Facebook. We'll be putting up regular posts about **Vision21** as our redevelopment proceeds. And you can follow the travels of the I♥KESWICK bag here too. The website and Facebook are good ways to keep up to date on what we're doing.

Easyfundraising: Collect free donations for us every time you shop online! Visit www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/keswickmethodist.

Notice Sheet:

Please send or phone notices for next week through to Anne Hasson on 017687 75818 or by e-mail to annehasson@aol.com by Thursday evening.