



# Keswick Methodist Church

I lift up my eyes to the hills.....

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## Notices for week commencing 26 September 2021



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Gracious and loving God,  
thank you for staying close to us  
in all that we have experienced  
in recent times.

As your holy people, we ask you  
to strengthen us with wisdom and  
understanding as we look forward  
to the new opportunities  
you will share with us.  
Encourage us to offer rich  
hospitality; to recognise  
the individual, welcome the  
stranger and offer a community  
of love to all.

Amen.

*Day 26 Methodist Prayer Handbook*

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**10.30am**     **Worship** led by Viv Kendall  
*Singing the Faith:* 21, 407, 362, 611  
*Readings:* Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29,  
James 5:13-20 & Mark 9:38-50

***Please stay for coffee and tea in the hall if you're able.***

## ***This Coming Week:***

### **Monday 27 September:**

7.30pm Local Preachers Meeting

### **Thursday 30 September:**

9.30-10am Prayer Group in the hall

### **Sunday 3 October:**

10.30am Worship & Communion led by Rev Joyce Ellis

## **Jean Holliday**

We were sad to learn of the death of Jean last Tuesday after a short illness. Our prayers are with Pauline and the rest of the family. Jean's funeral is at 12.30pm on Monday, 4 October at Crosthwaite Church. Please see further details in this week's Keswick Reminder. We remember Jean with affection and thank God for her life and friendship.

## **Foodbank**

Thank you to all who contributed to the Harvest Foodbank collection last week. The appeal for this week is for tinned tuna, UHT milk, UHT orange juice, tinned fruit, tinned vegetables and tinned meat.



## **Christmas Tree Festival : 2-5 December 2021**

Now is the time to start planning for this year's Christmas Tree Festival, which we intend to have in the church again. Please contact one of us if you'd like to be on a small planning group (or want to know what it entails) – we'd value some new input!

Sheila Files (79253) or Pauline Huggan (017686 06539)

## **Jubilatte Coffee : Thursdays 10-11.30am from 7 October**

You'll be pleased to know that the Thursday coffee morning will start again on Thursday 7 October. Please come along and have a cuppa and a natter. In the future we hope to add some different (optional) elements like crafts, painting nativity scenes!!, knitting, MHA cards...

## Welcome to Church – Our Current Covid ‘Rules’

We’re delighted to welcome members, friends and visitors to physical worship with us. We’ve reviewed our risk assessment and done everything we can to ensure your safety and protection. Currently we’ve decided that, despite the relaxation of all coronavirus legislation by the government, we’ll continue to operate on a covid-secure basis at the moment. This means it’s **“Hands, Face, Space”** and you must not come into church if you have any Covid symptoms or test positive.

- **Hands:** Please sanitise your hands at whichever entrance you use (hall, church and fire exit all have sanitisers on the wall).
- **Face:** Please continue to wear a face mask inside our building. The only exceptions are if you are exempt, if you are eating or drinking or need to speak to someone who is deaf and is lip reading.
- **Space:** We are keeping to ‘1metre plus’ for social distancing but not limiting the size of groups. We’ll continue to ventilate by opening windows and doors.
- **Singing:** We can now SING behind our masks! If you would prefer not to, that’s fine. And if you prefer to sit near the back, behind people singing, that’s fine too.
- **Test & Trace:** You’re advised to continue to use the QR code on your smart phone but we no longer need to take your contact details unless you wish us to. The Government advise you to continue lateral flow tests twice a week (or a PCR test if you have Covid symptoms). Lateral flow tests are available via the internet or from one of the local pharmacies.
- A steward will guide you to the worship area and show you where to sit. We’ll still be keeping one chair empty between groups or bubbles.
- A collection plate will be at the exit as you go out or in the hall. We’re delighted to be able to offer you coffee and tea – and a biscuit! Please do enjoy a cuppa and a chat if you are able. You should leave your empty cups on the tables for collection.
- We know many have had your Covid vaccines, but quite understand for those of our members who prefer not to return to church just yet.

We hope you understand that we will continue to take these precautions to help to reduce the spread of the virus as much as possible, and to protect both our church family and visitors.

If you have any questions please speak to one of us (details below).

The Leadership Team

## Prayer Group

The Prayer Group meets every Thursday 9.30-10am, usually followed by coffee. It's a small group but the members are earnest in prayer for situations and people both locally and further away. New members are always welcome – and there's no expectation to come every week! For more information or if you'd like to add items for prayer, please have a word with David Hasson (75818).

## COP 26

World leaders will gather in Glasgow for a major conference on the climate crisis in just a few weeks' time. Find out more about the key issues they face and how you can help to hold governments to account at [jointpublicissues.org.uk/cop26](http://jointpublicissues.org.uk/cop26).

## Need help?

Please remember if you need help in any way that you can contact any of the Leadership Team:

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**Notice Sheet:** Please email or phone any notices for next week through to Anne Hasson by e-mail to [annehasson@aol.com](mailto:annehasson@aol.com) or phone 75818 by **Thursday afternoon** at the latest.