Zetland Park Methodist Church Newsletter September 2015



Worship

6th September 10:45 am Revd. Arthur Harbottle : Communion

6:00 pm Bob Rogers

13th September 11:00 am Rosemary Taylor

6:00 pm Revd. Arthur Harbottle at Marske

20th September 10:45 am Jenny Haigh

6:30 pm Revd. Barrie Morris at Newcomen

27th September 10:45 am Revd. Betty Bell : Harvest

6:00 pm Revd. Arthur Harbottle: Harvest

4th October 10:45 am Revd. Alan Coates

6:30 pm Harvest Songs of Praise at Marske

All Services are at Zetland Park unless indicated

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Visit us at www.zetlandparkmethodist.co.uk www.clevelandanddanbymethodists.co.uk/churches/zetland-park-methodists I write this while away on holiday in Herefordshire, a county where orchards, fields of golden corn and market gardens seem to proliferate, reminding me of the abundant provision of food with which we are blessed in the UK. This, of course, reminds me of the forthcoming season of harvest festivals and harvest thanksgiving services which are our opportunity to thank God for the abundant provision of food we enjoy and I hope you will feel free to join us.

Thinking back to my time in Haiti last year I am reminded just how fortunate we are in the UK. Despite being situated in the Caribbean, with no shortage of sun or rain, Haiti is far from well-provided for, still being ranked amongst the poorest countries in the world. With an average income of \$2 a day and harvests vulnerable to extreme weather which can, in one go, wipe out the best part of a whole season's crops, so many people in the country still live on the edge of survival. Perhaps our gratitude could go beyond thanksgiving and include support of the world's poorest through aid agencies like Christian Aid.

However, I am also challenged by the words of Jesus who reminded us that we cannot live on bread alone but need spiritual food too - the word of God! I cannot imagine anyone would neglect to go to the shops to buy food in the UK, yet all the statistics tell us that the vast majority of people in the UK neglect their spiritual wellbeing - many church-goers not even reading their Bibles or praying regularly! Spiritual wellbeing is as important as physical wellbeing if we are to live life to the full. With this in mind we have been arranging events to help people better engage with the word of God in the Bible:

- 1) There are still spaces available on the "Walk Through the New Testament" event on Saturday 17th October.
- 2) Our fortnightly Thursday evening Bible study would also welcome new members.
- 3) A course about the basic beliefs of Christianity is also being planned for the autumn which will highlight the particular emphases of the Methodist

Church. Though this will take place at Marske anyone interested would be most welcome.

If you want more details about any of these please have a word with us.

Blessings Revd Arthur

Circuit Prayer Meeting

Saturday 5th September 8:30-9:30am at Brotton Saturday 3rd October 8:30-9:30am at Danby

The Smiles Foundation Coffee Morning

Big Read

Thelma Hobday would like to thank everyone involved in the big read.

So far £800 has been raised.

Coffee Morning in aid of The Smiles Foundation will be held in the church hall on Saturday 5th September 10 - 11.30

Stalls include: Cakes, 'Everyone's a Winner' and Friends of Redcar Cemetery.

The money raise will go directly to buy Christmas presents for some very needy children and families supported by the Smiles Foundation in Romania.

I will NOT be collecting for Shoeboxes anymore but I know everyone who has been so supportive in that campaign will be just as supportive in this

one. The aim is the same - to bring the joy and message of Christmas to some very poor children.

Thank you, Jenny

Harvest Festival

Sunday 27th September

Soup and Sweet Supper

Monday 28th September @ 6pm £3:00

Chapel Anniversary Concert

Friday 30th October @ 7pm.

With the Marske Fisherman's Choir with Buffet Supper £7:00

Community Lunch Club

Eats midday Tuesday

Fellowship

Meets 7:30pm Wednesdays

Thursday Group

Meets 7:30pm Alternate Thursdays

Prayer and Meditation

10:00am Friday September 18th October 23rd

| | | Future Events |
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| Saturday 5th September | 10 - 11:30 am | Coffee morning for the Smiles Foundation. |
| Monday 28th September | 6 pm | Harvest Soup and Sweet Supper. |
| Saturday 17th October | 9:30 am - 4:30 pm | Walk Through the New Testament. |
| Friday 30th October | 7 pm | Chapel Anniversary - Marske Fishermen's Choir. |
| Sunday 1st November | 10:45 18:00 | Chapel Anniversary services lead by the Revd. Dr. Jonathan Hustler |
| Saturday 5th December | | Christmas Coffee Morning with Cake Stall |
| Wednesday 9th December | 7:30 pm | Marske Silver Band Christmas Concert |
| Friday February 5th | 6 pm | Pie and Pea supper with Beetle Drive |
| Friday 18th March | | Harrison Band and Singers |

Thursday Group

Thursday group will re-start on 10th September. We have decided to look at some of the less well-read sections of the Old Testament, doing one book each time we meet, starting with Nehemiah (10th) and Ezra (24th).

This is an opportunity to be brave and try something new, everyone is welcome, I wonder if you would like to enrich the discussion with your questions or comments?

We start at 7.30 and will be finished by 9. All meetings are at 14 Ely Crescent. Please bring a Bible. Ask June Feather if you would like any more details.

Power Praise

at Marske Methodist Church

An hour of worship with mainly contemporary songs in a café style setting. Second Tuesday of each month.

7pm 8th September 13th October

Next Newsletter

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