



Cumbria Methodist Penrith Area Circuit

Sunday 19th April

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**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

**Penrith:** 10.30am – Mr Dean Lawson  
**Skelton:** 10.30am – Mr Lawrence Tomlinson  
**Stainton:** 10.30am – Mrs Lois Morton  
**Cottage Wood Centre:** 5pm – Mr Dean Lawson

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

**Penrith:** 10am - Mrs Ruth Combellack

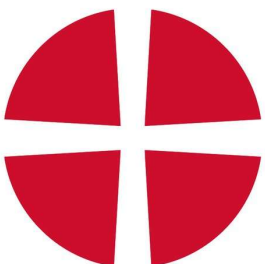
**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

**Woodlands:** 3pm – Miss Kathleen Williamson

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April**

**Penrith:** 10.30am – Mr Michael Boone  
7pm – Encounter  
**Skelton:** 10.30am – Local Arrangement  
**Stainton:** 10.30am – Rev Julia Reid  
**Cottage Wood Centre:** 5pm – Rev David Milner

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Reflection/Circuit 'Worship at Home' Weekly Resource

To find this week's Circuit Resource booklet, we invite you to follow this link: <https://www.cumbriamethodists.org.uk/worship-downloads.html> to the Cumbria Circuit website.



Monday 20th April

9.25am ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

2pm ~ Bible Fellowship – Skelton Methodist Church

Tuesday 21st April

1.30pm ~ Prayer Meeting – Church/PMC

7pm ~ Blencow HG – The Hollies, Blencow (*We meet twice monthly at 7pm on a Tuesday. Contact Steve for further details.*)

7pm ~ Youth Club – Ullswater/PMC

7pm ~ Omega HG

Wednesday 22nd April

10am – 3C's – Cottage Wood Centre

1.30pm ~ Wednesday Get Together - Skelton Methodist Church

7.30pm ~ Living Room HG, contact Morgan for details

Thursday 23rd April

10am ~ Knit Craft and Natter Group – Stainton Methodist Church

7.30pm ~ Thornton HG (*Contact Charlie for details*)

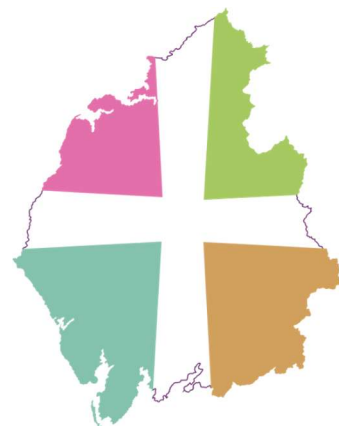
Friday 24th April

12 noon ~ Lunch Club – Ullswater/PMC

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### **Cumbria Circuit News!!**

Please sign up to the monthly Cumbria Circuit newsletter to get all the news from around the Cumbria Circuit : <https://cumbriamethodists.us17.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=1adb68eefa5e5f77f766477bb&id=ba945e09e2>



**CUMBRIA METHODIST WOMEN IN BRITAIN**



***‘New Meaning for our  
Life and Faith’***

**A day of celebration and sharing with the women  
in the Methodist church in Argentina**

***Tebay Methodist Church***

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April  
10:00 – 15:00**

**Coffee and lunch provided**

**Cost £10**

**To book contact Rev Jackie Betts 01768371598  
jcbetts82@gmail.com by 11<sup>th</sup> April  
Including any dietary requirements**

Tebay Methodist Church is just off Junction 38 of M6  
Postcode – CA10 3XB – Good roadside parking



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Job Opportunity



**PARISH OF PENRITH
(ST ANDREW'S &
CHRIST CHURCH)**

The Parish of Penrith, in partnership with the Ullswater Mission Community, are recruiting for a Children and Families Ministry Team Leader.

See https://www.parityofpenrith.org.uk/job_s.htm and <https://www.carlisle-diocese.org.uk/vacancies/>



Zoom Prayer Meetings

Please note that there will be no Zoom Prayer Meetings on the 6th, 13th and 20th of April.

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You are very welcome to our next "All Together Fellowship" meeting on **Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, at 2pm in Penrith Methodist Church.**

Please note that there is a change to what appears in the programme. The Choral Group will be presenting their "Afternoon of Music" in the autumn.

**On Monday, the 27<sup>th</sup> of April, you will be entertained by a group of our talented members who will relate experiences, often humorous, from their occupations of past times.**

**We have called the presentation "A day in the life of ....."**

More details will be given in next week's bulletin.

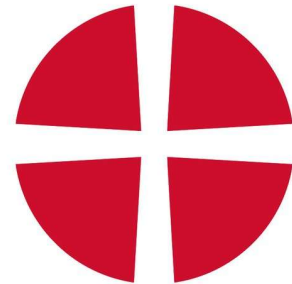
John & Margaret

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EASTER OFFERING 2026

Easter Offering envelopes are available in PMC as part of our worship response to bless Methodist World Mission Fund.

The Easter Offering service is at 10am Tuesday April 28th at PMC led by Rev Gillian Belford. All welcome, we would love to have you join us.



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## Christian Aid

Christian Aid Week is 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> May. The theme is 'tackling climate-driven poverty through sustainable livelihoods'. There will be a Coffee morning & plant sale on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May at PMC.



## APR Online Quiet Day for Carers

led by Revd Alison Christian

on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2026 - from 10.15am to 3.30pm



Revd Alison Christian is Vice-Chair of the Trustees of the APR, an experienced retreat leader, and now herself, a Carer. Previously, she has been an incumbent in two London parishes, Warden of Launde Abbey, and *Advisor and Advocate for Spiritual Direction* at the London Centre for Spiritual Direction.

*Alison writes, 'This Quiet Day (which will be conducted via 'Zoom') is being offered to any APR member who finds themselves in the role of Carer. During the day we will have times of quiet, and one or two times of sharing. We will ask, "What difference is this experience of being a Carer making to my relationship with God – and with myself?" Some suggestions will be offered for meditation and prayer as we seek a little space and time for ourselves to retreat in daily life.'*

The Quiet Day is being offered free of charge, but participants are invited to make a donation towards the APR's costs according to their means.



You can book online (and pay via Paypal) on [promotingretreats.org/news-events-blog](https://www.promotingretreats.org/news-events-blog) or please contact the APR Administrator directly on

Tel: 01395 272243

Email: [promoting.retreats@gmail.com](mailto:promoting.retreats@gmail.com)

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NWED Newsletter

If you would like to find out more about what is going on in the greater district, we encourage you to sign up to the North West England District Newsletter – you can do so following these steps:

1. Go to www.nwedmethodists.org.uk
2. Follow the "Join our mailing list" link
3. Input your details and enjoy!





Left to Their Own Devices? will equip parents and carers with practical skills and knowledge to stay ahead of the curve and help their children navigate the online world safely and to their advantage.

It's never too late to establish healthy digital boundaries with children – whatever their age.

Find out more and book your tickets: cff.org.uk/owndevices

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### **Food Bank Notice**

Please note that the following items are currently needed by the Food Bank – if you are able to donate at all, they would be very grateful:

- Tinned rice pudding
- Tin/carton or pkt custard
- Tinned fruit
- Beans and sausage
- Tinned mince, stews or chicken meals
- Pkt noodles
- Pkt pasta in sauce
- Jams
- Tin peas, carrots or sweetcorn
- Male deodorants
- Hair conditioner
- Washing up liquid



## Easy Eco Tip – April:

**Celebrate new life this Easter and have a go at growing something!** April is the perfect time to try to grow something edible or, if you are a seasoned gardener, to encourage someone else to try. Salad leaves or herbs are a great place to start and will reduce your reliance on those oh-so-convenient supermarket salad bags.

**For indoor space,** try 'micro-greens' (vegetable leaves harvested soon after they open) For greenhouses, try sowing salad leaf seed mixes.

**For outdoors,** beetroot, lettuce, onion and pea plants are frost-resistant so can all be planted outside in April.

As you sow, thank God for the opportunity to grow food, and pray for those communities that are facing food shortages and famine.



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Cumbria Aid Ukraine is a volunteer group based at " The Pot Place Garden Centre " near Penrith. We serve as a collection point in Cumbria for donated humanitarian aid, which we then transport to Ukraine.

We at Penrith Methodist Church are continuing to ask for donations, and these will be taken to " The Pot Place " on a regular basis.

Ukraine continues to desperately need assistance, and our support helps send warmth, care and hope.

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP BY DONATING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING :-

- Nappies (all sizes). Baby and toddler's clothing.**
- Milk formula, paracetamol (but no other form of medication)**
- Soap, toothpaste, shampoo, wipes, etc. Toothbrushes, Sanitary towels.**
- Domestic cleaning products, bleach, washing powder and liquids.**
- Long life food, pasta, rice, tins, dried ready meals like pot noodles, etc.**
- Candles (preferably plain wax ones, either new or partially used)**

**PLEASE WILL YOU LEAVE ANY DONATIONS
IN THE LABELLED BOX IN THE GLASS HOUSE**

THANK YOU

Thought for the week...



Staff Details for Penrith Area:

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Premises Manager: Lindsay Wilson

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For contact details of key Circuit staff, please see our area plan.

Cottage Wood Centre - Please send a request to join our Facebook group.

PMC Website: www.penrithmethodist.co.uk

Cumbria Circuit Website: <http://www.cumbriamethodists.org.uk/>

Methodist Church Website: <http://www.methodist.org.uk/>

Find our Sunday services on YouTube

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