



Cumbria Methodist Penrith Area Circuit

Sunday 26th April

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**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

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April**

**Penrith:** 10am – Rev Gillian Belford

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

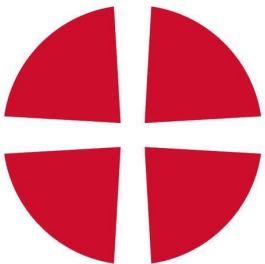
**Penrith:** 10.30am – Mrs Carolyn Dickinson

**Skelton:** 10.30am – Rev Julia Reid

**Stainton:** 10.30am – @ Skelton

**Cottage Wood Centre:** 10.30am - @ Skelton

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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 27th April

9.25am ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

2pm ~ All Together Fellowship – Church/PMC

7.30pm ~ Zoom Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 28th 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 29th April

10am – 3C's – Cottage Wood Centre

1.30pm ~ Wednesday Get Together - Skelton Methodist Church

7.30pm ~ Living Room HG

Thursday 30th April

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

2pm ~ Parklands HG – Upper Link/PMC

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

Friday 1st May

12 noon ~ Lunch Club – Ullswater/PMC

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### **Giving Envelopes**

For those at PMC who use the weekly giving envelopes, these are in the pigeonholes in the glasshouse for collection.

*\*Please note that your number may be different from last year due to a reduction in the number of envelopes ordered.*

With thanks,  
PMC



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## CHAPEL ANNIVERSARY

### With Rev Dave Milner

At 5 pm

BRING AND  
SHARE TEA AT  
3.30PM

All  
Welcome



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You are very welcome to our next “ All Together Fellowship “ meeting on
Monday, April 27th, 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 27th 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”

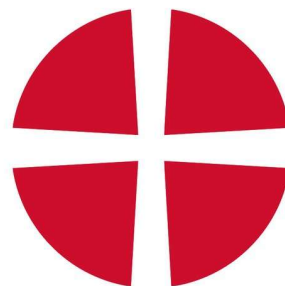
More details will be given in next week’s bulletin.

John & Margaret

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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## **Funeral Notice**

Margaret Armer's funeral will be at PMC on the 8th May at 11am, then to High Hesket for burial at 12 noon.

The Funeral Tea will be held at Low Hesket Village Hall.

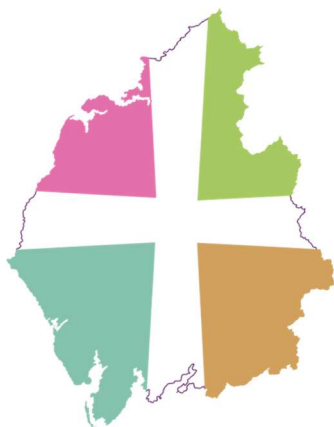
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Christian Aid

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



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## **Want Your Say?**

A second workshop to continue development of the Cumbria Compass will be held on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2026 at Cornerstone Methodist Church in Wigton. The link to register for this event is as follows:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1988080522360?aff=oddttdcreator>

## 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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Job Opportunity

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

See <https://www.parishofpenrith.org.uk/job.s.htm> and <https://www.carlisle-diocese.org.uk/vacancies/>

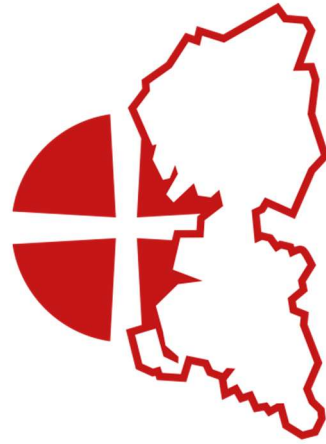


PARISH OF PENRITH
(ST ANDREW'S &
CHRIST CHURCH)

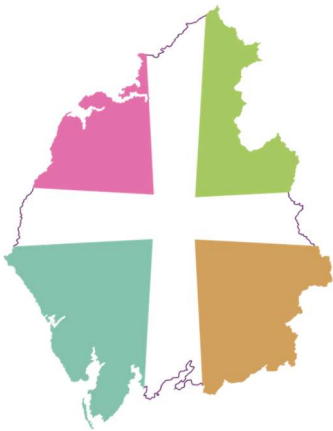
NWED Newsletter

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!



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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=1adb68eefa5e5f77f766477b&id=ba945e09e2>

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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:

#### Ministers in Pastoral Charge:

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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](http://www.penrithmethodist.co.uk)  
**Cumbria Circuit Website:** <http://www.cumbriamethodists.org.uk/>  
**Methodist Church Website:** <http://www.methodist.org.uk/>  
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