



Cumbria Methodist Penrith Area Circuit

Sunday 17th May

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### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

**Penrith:** 10.30am – Rev Gillian Belford

**Skelton:** 10.30am – Rev David Milner

**Stainton:** 10.30am – R McGregor

**Cottage Wood Centre:** 5pm – Rev Julia Reid

### **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

**Penrith:** 10am – Mr Lawrence Tomlinson

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

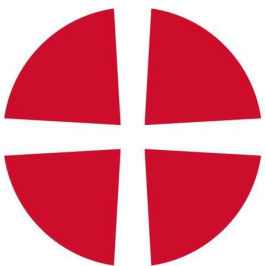
**Penrith:** 10.30am – Rev Julia Reid

**Skelton:** 10.30am – Rev Gillian Belford

**Stainton:** 10.30am – Miss Kathleen Williamson

**Cottage Wood Centre:** 5pm – Ian Newton

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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.

Weekly Diary

Monday 18th May

9.25am ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

2pm ~ Bible Fellowship – Skelton Methodist Church

7.30pm ~ Zoom Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 19th May

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 ~ Omega HG

7pm ~ Youth Club – Ullswater/PMC

Wednesday 20th May

10am ~ 3Cs – Cottage Wood Centre

1.30pm ~ Wednesday Get Together - Skelton Methodist Church

7.30pm ~ Living Room HG

Thursday 21st May

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

2pm ~ Parklands HG – Upper Link/PMC

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

Friday 22nd May

12 noon ~ Lunch Club – Ullswater/PMC

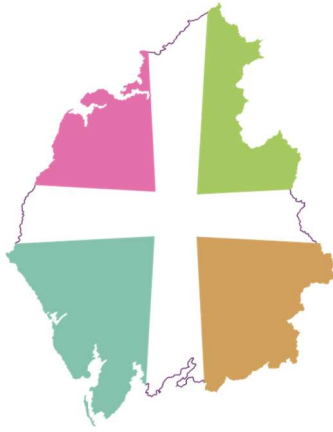
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## **New Letterbox**

Please note that there has been a new letterbox installed outside of the PMC office – this is for any item that needs to be passed onto the Circuit or local office when the office isn't open.

Please make sure that all envelopes are labelled with their purpose!



## 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=oddtcreator>

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Our next “ **All Together Fellowship** “
is on **Monday, June 1st**, at **2pm** in **Penrith Methodist Church**.

All are welcome to come and enjoy a talk and visual presentation given by **Anne MacDonald**.
She will be telling us all about her recent holiday which proved to be memorable, and filled with wonderful experiences.

Do join us for this afternoon get together if you are able.

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

John & Margaret

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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



## **Sunday Lunch - 7<sup>th</sup> June**

There will be a lunch following the Annual Church meeting - 'Pie and Pudding'.

Please let us know if you're coming along using the sign-up sheet in the glass house and let us know of any dietary requirements.



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Blessing of Cold Springs Well and Nature Reserve - 1pm Sunday 17th May

Rev Peter Clement has invited Rev Julia to offer a few words and a prayer of blessing for the Cold Springs Nature Reserve and Well on Sunday afternoon, following a procession beginning at the Lily Drive entrance at 1pm. Please come along and support this community initiative. And please pray for fair weather!

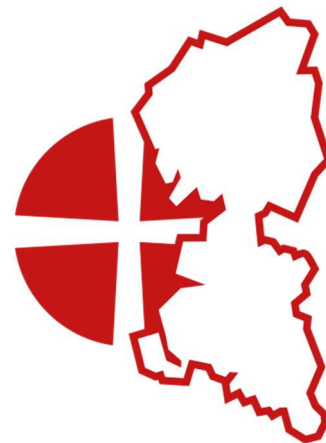


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## **NWED Newsletter**

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:

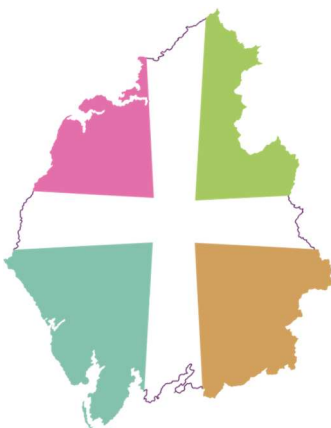
1. Go to [www.nwedmethodists.org.uk](http://www.nwedmethodists.org.uk)
2. Follow the "Join our mailing list" link
3. Input your details and enjoy!



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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=1adb68eefa5e5f77f766477bb&id=ba945e09e2>



WORSHIP - TEACHING FROM THE BISHOP OF PENRITH - GIFT BAGS -
REFRESHMENTS - PRAYER MINISTRY - RENEWAL

JOIN US FOR
WOMEN'S
REFRESH
DAY



24 October 2026 | 9:30AM-4:30PM

Christ Church, Penrith, CA11 9EL

www.trybooking.com/uk/GHQY

mollymilburn@live.co.uk - 07539 444024

Cheques accepted if online booking is an issue.



Easy Eco Tip – May:

Support pollinators. Nothing says Spring like the buzz of a bee! But these precious pollinators are declining due to habitat loss, climate change and agricultural intensification.

Wednesday 20 May is World Bee Day, so look around to see how you can improve habitats for bees and other pollinators.

Read more about bees, butterflies and habitats that support them in our Target 25 resources at arochoa.org.uk/what-we-do/target-25. Sow a pollinator friendly seed mix, make or buy a bee hotel, let some wildflowers grow in your garden, and don't use pesticides. Pray that our pollinator populations will increase.



For more about World Bee Day visit: www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/world-bee-day/

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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.**

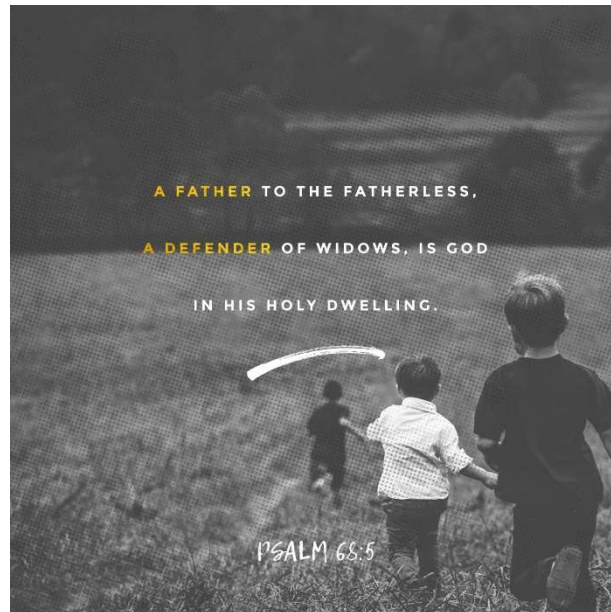
**PLEASE CAN YOU HELP BY DONATING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING :-**

- 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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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/>  
**NWED Website:** <https://nwedmethodists.org.uk/>  
**Methodist Church Website:** <http://www.methodist.org.uk/>  
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