



Cumbria Methodist Penrith Area Circuit

Sunday 24th May

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**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

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May**

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

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

**Woodlands:** 3pm – Rev Gillian Belford

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May**

**Penrith:** 10.30am – Chris Hulme

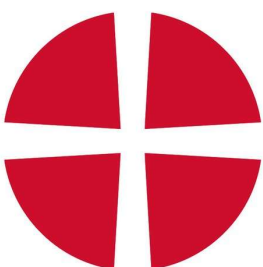
7pm - Encounter

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**Stainton:** 10.30am – Mr Lawrence Tomlinson

**Cottage Wood Centre:** 5pm – Mr Lawrence Tomlinson

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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 25th May

1.15pm ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC (*Open Garden Visit*)

7.30pm ~ Zoom Prayer Meeting

Tuesday 26th May

11am ~ 4F – Ullswater/PMC

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 27th May

1.30pm ~ Wednesday Get Together - Skelton Methodist Church

7.30pm ~ Living Room HG

Thursday 28th May

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

Friday 29th May

12 noon ~ Lunch Club – Ullswater/PMC

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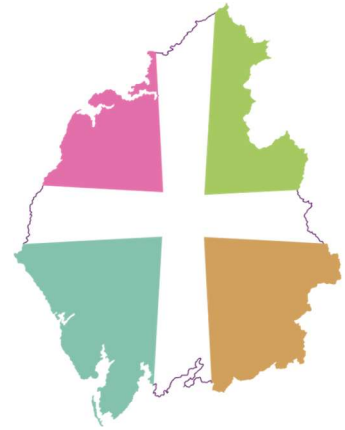
**Please Note**

There will be **no notices** next week (Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026) due to staff annual leave – they will return as normal for the week after.

## 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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Clear Out!

An opportunity has arisen to spend some time having a clear out and reorganisation around the church building. We are planning to do this on **Thursday 28th May** from **10am to 2pm**.

If you are available to come along and help, even if just for a short time, please do.

No qualifications needed, just a willingness to help. If anyone has any empty strong boxes please bring them along - or a capacity to do some recycling that would be really useful.

Expect to get a bit dusty.



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## Christian Aid

Many thanks to all who helped and came to the plant sale and coffee morning at PMC at the end of Christian Aid Week. £360 was raised for the work of this charity, which our church supports.





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

You are very welcome to join us. Following a short act of worship,  
Anne MacDonald will give a talk and visual presentation.

**A holiday in  
Cambodia and  
Vietnam**



**A journey of  
adventure,  
history, learning  
and heartache.**



Anne is a member of our church, and  
and took this holiday earlier in 2026.



It gave a flavour of two far away beautiful countries that have suffered  
much over the years. There were numerous entertaining moments and  
the holiday was certainly memorable with lots of wonderful experiences.

After the presentation, do please stay and enjoy  
the fellowship, and of course, the refreshments.

Our next **“ All Together Fellowship ”** is on **Monday, July 13th.**  
This will be a light-hearted session, including humorous interludes, and  
memories of a very popular TV programme of yesteryear.  
Fellowship will continue in the Ullswater room  
where we will gather for a full afternoon tea.

John & Margaret

## 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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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:



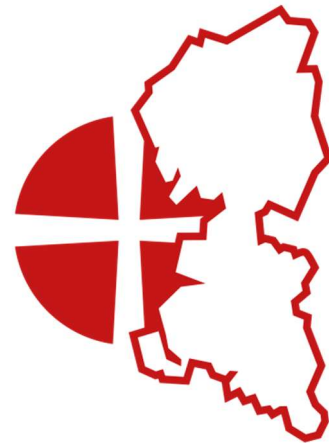
- Tinned rice pudding
- Tin/carton or pkt custard
- Tinned fruit
- Beans and sausage
- Tinned mince, stews or chicken meals
- Pkt noodles
- Pkt pasta in sauce
- Jams
- Tin peas, carrots or sweetcorn
- Male deodorants
- Hair conditioner
- Washing up liquid

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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:

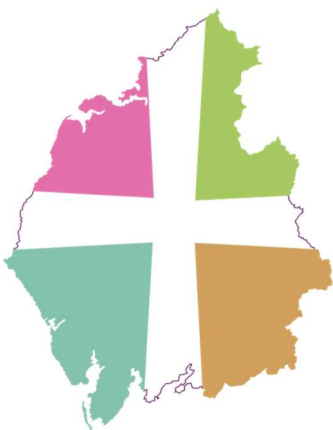
1. Go to [www.nwedmethodists.org.uk](http://www.nwedmethodists.org.uk)
2. Follow the "Join our mailing list" link
3. Input your details and enjoy!



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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.**

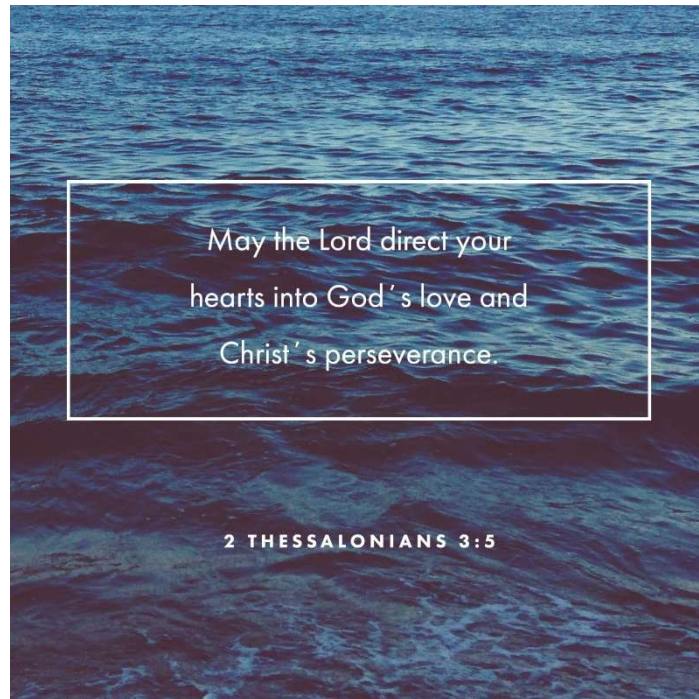
**PLEASE CAN YOU HELP BY DONATING ANY OF THE FOLLOWING :-**

- 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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**Administrative Assistant: Niamh Ryan**  
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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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