

Penrith Methodist Circuit Weekly Bulletin Sunday 14th May 2023

Be Resurrection

We are still in the season of Easter, and last Sunday and this, in messages I preach around the Circuit, I am asking 'what does Easter mean for us now'?

What is this new resurrection life – this life in all its fullness Jesus said he'd come to bring? What did Jesus mean by saying he was the resurrection and the life?

One response is that we are called to *live* resurrection – to *be* resurrection, to *be* new life.

Resurrection is a commitment to hope and to being reborn. It is a commitment to creativity, to the Spirit who "makes all things new" (Revelation 21: 5). Resurrection is the Spirit's work. It is the life of God's Spirit in us.

But how can we be resurrection and new life for ourselves and for others?

To be Resurrection for another I need to be Resurrection for myself. That means I choose not to dwell in despair, and anger, and oppression, and resentment. I choose to wake up, get up, rise up, and put on new life even when my days are dark and my soul is down and shadows surround me everywhere. I choose to listen to the voice that says: "Be resurrection. Be born again. And again. And again".

And what about new Life? How am I Life? How much in love with life am I? Is my curiosity alive? My gratitude? My mind? My imagination? My laughter and sense of humour? My creativity? My powers of generosity and compassion? My powers for continually generating and regenerating life?

Many mystics say, "God is life." So, to say, "I am fully alive and fully in love with life" means that I am feeling fully God's presence in me—I am in love with the living God who is Life.

So, how are we doing? Are we growing in God-likeness? In God action? In bringing new life through acts of justice and compassion and healing and celebrating? How are we doing in expressing the sheer joy, and the love, and the life of God?





Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life - and we can bring aliveness and rebirth and hope into the world, however distressing things are around us. That is what it means to be Easter people, and to live resurrection life - by being Resurrection Life to others.

Rev. Tim
(with grateful reference to Richard Rohr 'The Universal Christ')



Penrith Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. Tim Cooke **Reading:** Romans 6: 1 – 11

St. Patrick's Church, Patterdale

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Gillian Belford

Skelton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Morgan Tebb-Roger

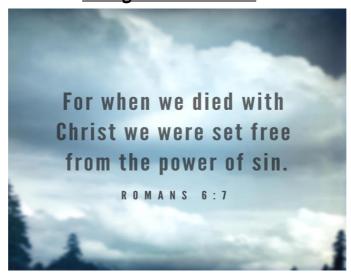
Stainton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. David Milner

All Saints Church, Calthwaite

3pm ~ Something New (No service at Cottage Wood Centre)

Thought for the Week





Monday 15th May

9.30am ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC – Bluebells at Flakebridge

2pm ~ Bible Fellowship - Skelton Methodist Church

6.15pm ~ Choral Group – Sandgate Room/PMC

NO Monday Zoom Prayer

7.30pm ~ PMC Church Council Meeting - Beacon/PMC

Tuesday 16th May

10am ~ Midweek Communion Service ~ Rev. David Milner - Church/PMC

10.30am ~ CAP Job Club – Beacon/PMC

7pm ~ Omega HG – Sunningdale, Stainton

7.30pm ~ Junior Youth Club - Ullswater/PMC

Wednesday 17th May

10am ~ 3C's – Cottage Wood Centre

1.30pm ~ Sewing Craft Group – Skelton Methodist Church

7pm ~ Blencow HG – The Hollies, Blencow (We meet twice monthly at 7pm on a Wednesday. Contact Steve on 07711 088448 for further details.)

Thursday 18th May

1pm ~ Twinkly Tots – Ullswater/PMC

2pm ~ Parklands HG – 19 Frenchfield Way, Penrith

Friday 19th May

12 noon ~ Lunch Club - Ullswater/PMC

7.30pm ~ Senior Youth Club - Ullswater/PMC

Sunday 21st May

Penrith: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ PJ Summers

Skelton: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. David Milner **Stainton: 10.30am** ~ Morning Worship ~ Mrs Lois Morton

Cottage Wood Centre: 5pm ~ Early Evening Worship ~ Rev. David Milner



'Plants along the Wall'

At Little Fairfield and Fairfield, Wordsworth Street on Saturday 13th May from 10am onwards. No money to change hands but give a donation to your favourite charity.

Any donations of plants or 'gardenalia' welcome.

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#### **Events in the Kirkby Stephen, Appleby and Tebay Circuit**



On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 7pm (refreshments from 6.30pm) at the Sands Methodist Church, Appleby (CA16 6XR), an evening with Deacon Angleena Keizer, a recently returned Mission Partner in Palestine Israel.

Also, on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 7pm at Newbiggin on Lune Methodist Church (CA17 4NS) John Nilson, Yamaha Signature Piano Artist will be in concert.



Christian Aid Week – 14<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> May Envelopes will be available at PMC on Sunday if you wish to make a donation.



### **Cottage Wood Centre**

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm Something New at All Saints, Calthwaite

This service will include a visitor from Compassion UK



# Family Open Air Service & BBQ



Come and join churches from the Blencathra Mission Community for a Family Open Air Service, with live music, BBQ, ice cream van and fun for the kids.

> Sunday 30 July 3pm-5pm Calthwaite Football Pitch

#### Tickets:

Greystokevillage.co.uk/event/churchbbq





#### **Monday Walks**

The walk this Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> May, will be to see the bluebells at Flakebridge.

Meet at 9.30am at PMC to share cars, with a snack & drink.

#### **Sad News**

Many of you will remember Bryan Hindmarsh, a former member of PMC and Vice President of Conference.

We have been informed that he sadly passed away on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2023, so please remember his family and friends in your prayers.



#### PMC Sunday Lunch – 4<sup>th</sup> June

Thank you to all who have kindly helped with Sunday Lunches on the first Sunday of a particular month.

Unfortunately, Mike and I are not around for June, but it would be lovely if the lunch could still go ahead!

If you (or a group of you) are able organise something, e.g. bring and share, soup, etc. please let the office know.

Thanks, Ange.

#### **Valuation Day**

The Haydock Centre, St. Catherine's Church, Drovers Lane, Penrith.

Thursday May 18th 2pm -4pm.

Paul Laidlaw, our well known auctioneer and television personality, kindly returns to visit us.



Search for your antiques and collectables and bring them for Paul to value.

Only two items per person please and no furniture.



Tickets £5.00 which includes tea/coffee and cakes!

Tickets will be sold from Sunday April 30<sup>th</sup> after both Masses.

They will be numbered, and you will be called to see Paul in numerical order.

So get your ticket early!!

If you are not coming to church you can contact Chris Broadbent on 07748 271 179 or email <a href="mailto:aandcbroad@gmail.com">aandcbroad@gmail.com</a> for tickets





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