Penrith Methodist Circuit Weekly Bulletin Sunday 21st May 2023



A Call to Prayer

This is an abridged version of the Safeguarding Report sent to PMC Church Council in May 2023.



Every spring when the cherry blossom flourishes, it takes my breath away. Bluebells, hares boxing in the fields, red squirrels, lupins. And yet these are patterns which are predictable, signs of spring and feeling the warmth of the sun, which I am waiting for. Yet, we continue to be surprised. We know there are too many coincidences just to be a coincidence. Some use the term 'God-incidence'.

In PMC this year, we have heard testimony, joy, tears, and healings, then rejoice together when prayers are

answered. In both the Old and New Testament, we read of so many miraculous events. During Jesus' time we see his heart of compassion healing the sick, raising the dead, calming the storm, feeding the hungry and blessing those who live on the fringes.

God has supernatural power over all creation and has the ability to work not just little - but amazing miracles today. Have the faith to believe in bigger miracles. We say so often that safeguarding begins with us. Our teams, our house groups, the people who come to our groups. Our friends, family, neighbours and those we meet through work. So, pray. Pray every day, for the everyday problems. I've been quite shocked lately when I've told friends that I'll be praying for them, nobody has told me not to! Pray without looking for an answer but expect

miracles. I've also spoken to friends who use the church for some of the dancing groups and have begun exploring the prayer spaces around the church too.

Prayer is heard. People who don't see miracles don't believe in miracles and don't pray for miracles. Just as some people may think that miracles cannot happen here, they may also be blind to thinking we do not need to worry about situations of safeguarding or abuse in our 'quiet corner of Cumbria'. But don't be blinded.

Look at the amazing work of 4F, how many households were supported over the Easter break? Hear the statistics from CAP. Look around our congregations, how many of your friends have needed a listening ear and friendly cup of tea? Then read the headlines on the Herald or the Cumberland News – our community. Then pray.

James chapter 4 Mark chapter 11

Alison Birkett



Penrith Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ PJ Summers "Sillience: The Brilliance In Us" **Reading:** Matthew 5: 3 – 10 & 14 - 16

Skelton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. David Milner

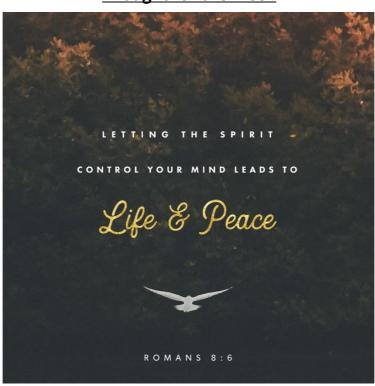
Stainton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mrs Lois Morton

Cottage Wood Centre

5pm ~ Early Evening Worship ~ Rev. David Milner







Monday 22nd May

9.30am ~ Monday Walks - Meet outside PMC

6.15pm ~ Choral Group - Sandgate Room/PMC

7.30pm ~ Monday Zoom Prayer

Tuesday 23rd May

10am ~ Midweek Service ~ Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger – Church/PMC

NO CAP Job Club

7pm ~ Omega HG – Sunningdale, Stainton

7.30pm ~ Junior Youth Club - Ullswater/PMC

Wednesday 24th 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 25th May

1pm ~ Twinkly Tots – Ullswater/PMC

Friday 26th May

12 noon ~ Lunch Club - Ullswater/PMC

7.30pm ~ Senior Youth Club – Ullswater/PMC

Sunday 28th May

Penrith: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Tim Cooke

7pm ~ Encounter ~ PJ Summers

Skelton: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Miss Kathleen Williamson **Stainton: 10.30am** ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Lawrence Tomlinson **Cottage Wood Centre: 5pm** ~ Early Evening Worship - Sharing Service



Christian Aid Week - 14th - 20th May

Envelopes are still available in reception at PMC but please return them to St. Andrew's Church, Penrith, during the Coffee Morning on Saturday 20th May, between 10am – 12 noon.

Alternatively, you can donate online at caweek.org or call 08080 006 006.

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#### **Thank You**

Thank you for supporting the plants along the wall last Saturday.

We were blessed with lovely weather and enjoyed the social contact with friends and neighbours.

Any leftover plants have gone to the railway station with the community gardeners.



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PMC Sunday Lunch - 4th 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.

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### **Greetings from Camino Santiago de Compestelo!**

We are around 50K out of Santiago continuing our pilgrimage. The weather is fantastic, clear skies and warm temperatures, but not too hot.

There are amazing opportunities to chat to all manner of people from all parts of the world.

Blessings, Kathy Taylor and Anne MacDonald.





#### **Circuit Office**

A reminder that the Circuit Office will be closed for the Bank Holiday on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May.

# always hope.

EDEN CAP SERVICES deliver free face to face help to people across the Eden valley. Volunteers can get involved supporting our experienced coaches and befriending clients.



If these statements describe you, then we would love to hear from you.

- I know and love Jesus
- ☑ I am actively involved in an Eden based church community.
- ☑ I love getting to know and care for people
- ☑ I welcome opportunities to share my faith with others
- ☑ I can be available during the day (Mon—Fri). Opportunities vary depending on role—please enquire for more details.

To find out more please contact

Job Club—Michelle Pierce

michellepierce@capjobclubs.org or 07789 212908

Debt Help & CAP Money —Jen Dixon jendixon@capuk.org or 07799 271710





Eden CAP Services are managed by Penrith Methodist Church and actively supported by the local church community



\*Thank you to those who have volunteered so far to help with this, but it would be good to have a few more!

Please sign up on the list in reception.

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

**PMC Website:** www.penrithmethodist.co.uk All services are on You Tube Follow us on Twitter @PMCmethodists and on Facebook

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