



East Cumbria **Methodist** Circuit



Weekly Bulletin **Sunday 10th September 2023**

Thank You For the Music

The title above is taken from the well known song by ABBA. The words explain that someone who is a 'nobody' is transformed by singing and music and as such gives thanks for these gifts. Does this resonate with you? You might not feel you can sing very well (I now have trouble with any note higher than middle C!) but you can appreciate music provided by others and can join with all in the congregation to sing God's Praise.

Do you watch 'Songs of Praise' on Sunday? When we lived in Sheffield there was a recording of 'Songs of Praise' from Meadowhall, a very large shopping mall. People gathered from many different churches and it involved a rehearsal one day and the actual recording on the following night. At the rehearsal we were guided how to sing the hymns and told to smile! Each piece was sung several times so that the sound engineers and camera crew could choose the best sounds and pictures. When we met again the following night for the recording again each hymn was sung more than once.

When we watch the programme on TV, all we notice is the singers, musicians and conductor but don't think of all the background folk. If the producer, engineers and camera people did not play their part there would be no programme. Similarly, do we sometimes take God's silent work behind the scenes for granted and just accept things are there by right?

God is constantly caring, even in places where hope seems lost. Often His work is carried out by people – those who bring help and comfort, food and medicine. When it seems that all is lost still God is faithful and sorrows with His creation.



Let us always remember that He is in control and also give our thanks to those who reflect His love and care in all they do. Whoever is singing and wherever the hymns/songs come from, let them be a reminder that God is always reaching out with His love to us.

As Psalm 96 v1 tells us 'Sing a new song to the Lord'.

Lois Morton



Penrith Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. Tim Cooke

Readings: Luke 10: 25 - 37

St. Patrick's Church, Patterdale

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Andrew Callaway & Rev. Gillian Belford

Skelton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Ms Jan Blackshaw

Stainton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. Mary Elliot

All Saints Church, Calthwaite

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

Alston Moor Methodist Church

11am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Keith Speck

Langwathby Methodist Church

11am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Michael Boone

Kirkoswald Methodist Church

10am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. David Milner

Gamblesby Methodist Church

2pm ~ Afternoon Worship ~ Mrs Lois Morton

All Saints Church, Renwick

5pm ~ Evening Worship ~ Rev. David Milner

Thought for the Week



Weekly Diary

Monday 11th September

9.30am ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

NO Choral Group

7.30pm ~ Monday Zoom Prayer

Tuesday 12th September

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

NO CAP Job Club – Beacon/PMC

7.30pm ~ Junior Youth Club ~ Ullswater/PMC

Wednesday 13th September

10am ~ 3Cs (Coffee, Children, Crafts) ~ Cottage Wood Centre

1.30pm ~ Sewing Craft Group - Skelton Methodist Church

Thursday 14th September

1.30pm ~ Take Tea Out – Cottage Wood (*Contact Sheila Mallinson to book*)

Friday 15th September

12 noon ~ Lunch Club ~ Ullswater/PMC

7.30pm ~ Senior Youth Club - Ullswater/PMC

Sunday 17th September

Penrith: 10.30am ~ Healing Service ~ Rev. Gillian Belford

Skelton: 10.30am ~ Harvest with Communion ~ Rev. Keith Speck

Stainton: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mrs Carolyn Dickinson

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

(Followed by Church Council Meeting)

Alston Moor: 11am ~ Harvest Festival ~ Rev. David Milner

Kirkoswald: 6pm ~ Third Sunday Service ~ Rev. Keith Speck

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## **Healing Service at PMC**

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 10.30am,  
Led by Rev. Gillian Belford.**

**All are welcome.**

## Cottage Wood Centre

This Sunday we are joining with the 'Something New' service at All Saints Church, Calthwaite.



This month we will be hearing about the work of Northern Inter-Schools Christian Union (NISCU), and how their ministry supports the Church by sharing the Jesus story in our schools.

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Great North Run

Isabella Sharrock is again running the Great North Run (10th Sept 2023) – this time for 'The Smile Train'.



If you would like to sponsor Isabella, donations can be made via Isabella's Just Giving page or kindly left in the Circuit Office.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/isabella-sharrock-1690038241292>

Many thanks,
Kerrie Sharrock.

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## Come and Sing Messiah

This is taking place at St Oswald's Church, Kirkoswald on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7 pm.

They are looking for singers and an audience. If you are interested in singing, it would be helpful if you have sung it before, but it is not necessary, providing you have some singing experience of similar material. If you have any questions about being involved as a singer, then you are asked to be in contact in advance – email: [komesiah@posteo.net](mailto:komesiah@posteo.net).

Tickets for singers and audience £10 – please phone: 01768 898688.

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Penrith Music Club Concert

Monday 18th September, 7.30pm at PMC
Rosco Piano Trio

See www.penrithmusicclub.com for details.





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**Saturday 23rd September 2023**

**Harvest Supper at 6pm,**

*then a presentation from Lee Jackson and Clare Taylor*

**Cumbria Action for Sustainability (CAfS)**

**Cumbria's Charity for Climate Change**

*Pie & pea supper and dessert.*

*Please make a donation.*

*Please let Sheila (01768 885362) or  
Carolyn (01768 840049) know you are  
coming.*



**Sunday 24th September at 5 pm**

**Harvest Service**

*taken by Rev. Keith Speck*

# Harvest

**PENRITH METHODIST CHURCH  
HARVEST SERVICE  
SUNDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER AT 10.30 AM**



AS IN THE PAST, IT WOULD BE LOVELY IF ALL OF US COMING TO THE SERVICE COULD BRING A GIFT OF LONG-LIFE FOOD (SUITABLE FOR THE FOOD BANK) TO PUT BY THE ALTAR.

THERE WILL BE A FLOWER WORKSHOP ON SATURDAY, 23RD SEPTEMBER FROM 9.30 AM WHEN WE WILL PREPARE BASKETS OF FLOWERS AND FRUIT TO DECORATE THE CHURCH AND THEN DISTRIBUTE AFTER THE SERVICE. YOU CAN HELP IN THE FOLLOWING WAYS:

1. COME TO THE WORKSHOP TO MAKE UP A BASKET (COFFEE WILL BE PROVIDED).
2. DONATIONS OF FLOWERS, FOLIAGE OR CASH WOULD BE VERY WELCOME.
3. IF YOU HAVE ANY SUITABLE BASKETS PLEASE LEAVE THEM IN THE RECEPTION AREA BEFORE THE WORKSHOP.



## **MHA Service**

Late notice but we are having a Service to celebrate 80 years of MHA and including our annual Memorial Service on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm, in Ellwood, to be followed by tea and cakes.

This would replace a Methodist Thursday service, but it would be nice if some people from the church could attend and everyone would be welcome.

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Children, Youth & Families Network

**Meeting: Thursday 28th
September 11.30-2pm**

**Venue: 2 Sand Croft,
Penrith CA11 8BB.
Buffet included!**



**Talk with Rev. Dave Gidney,
Director of Children
Worldwide, a network of
Children's Workers.**



**Video message from Gavin Calder,
Former Leader of Youth for Christ**

For more information, including where to park and dietary requirements contact Lol Wood: lol@cilfamilyproject.org or Chenda Nuttall : 07947 328551

Plants along the Wall at Fairfield and Little Fairfield Wordsworth Street.

Saturday 30th September, starting at 10am.

No money taken but please give a donation to a favourite charity.

Donations of plants and 'gardenalia' welcome.



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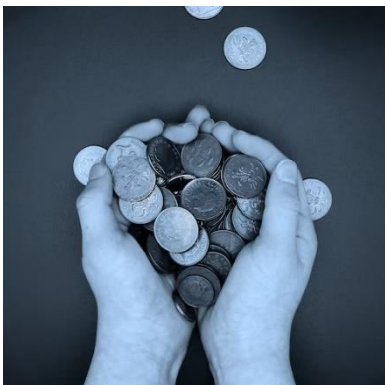
**\*Online registration is now open or sign-up on the sheet in reception.**

**Be Boulder** weekend is our church family weekend where we can all come and share in God's love in this wonderful place. On this same weekend we also celebrate **150 years** at PMC.

I'm sure everyone will have some memories, photos, etc. Helen Brunskill is looking for anyone who would like to join her in looking for (or if anyone has any) memorabilia so we are able to decorate the church windows and possibly crush hall. If anyone is interested in getting involved, or has any ideas please get in touch with Helen!!

After the weekend it would be lovely if we could open the Church and invite people of our community to come and look around

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Small Coins

We still collect small coins for All We Can. So, for those who use cash, save up your small coins and give them to Judith Joyce to pass on to AWC. We raised £228 last year. Thank you to all who helped.

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing and Coffee Morning will be here at PMC on Saturday 14th October from 10.00 am. All are welcome to come and help.



This will be the 14th year we've packed communal boxes and many individuals and groups have done their own box/es in previous years.

Finish your knitting of teddies, glove puppets, hats, mitts and scarves. Look for small toys, cars, soft toys, balls, crayons, sharpened pencils, pens, rubbers, colouring books, paper, playing cards, flannels, soap, combs, toothbrushes, socks, t-shirts etc.

There are leaflets in Reception to guide you if you need ideas or if you want to do your own box. *Remember no liquids, sweets, toothpaste, war related items or used or damaged items.*

We are always grateful to receive donations towards transport costs as well. The deadline to complete boxes is mid-November.

Thank you,
Judith Joyce

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## Photocopier Toners

We have a set of Canon C-EXV 29 photocopier toners (magenta, yellow, black & cyan) and a waste toner pack which are not compatible with our new photocopier.

If anyone can use them, please contact the Circuit Office.

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Donation to 'All We Can'

Thank you to all attended and took part in our New Circuit Launch Service last Sunday.

The cash offering totalling £487.49 will be donated to All We Can.



THINK WINTER

(Carlisle Refuge for the Homeless)

Already several people have asked 'when is the next BIG Autumn collection?'

As yet there is **no** fixed date, probably **mid/late** October.

Then **warm** winter clothing & soups (we would obviously collect our old favourites, kitchen items, bedding, etc.)

God bless and many thanks,
Jeanette & Keith

p.s. Keith & Jeanette are more than willing to talk to the wider Circuit about the Carlisle Refuge

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## Advance Notice

Alpha starts on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30pm, at the Restore Charity Shop in New Squares.



## The Circuit Bulletin

Please send any items to be included in the Circuit Bulletin to the Circuit Office by Thursday morning (contact details are below).

We would love to receive details of events, regular meetings for the weekly diary and any other good news or stories to be shared.

The Circuit Bulletin can be found on the PMC website and an email link is sent out on Friday. If you wish to be added to the mailing list, please contact the office with your email address.



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**Circuit Administrative Manager: Sarah Mulheron**

**Administrative Assistant: Maureen Brunskill**

**Premises Manager: Lindsay Wilson**

**Eden Debt Centre Manager (CAP): Jon Cook** (currently on Sabbatical)

**Contact:** Jen Dixon, email: [jendixon@capuk.org](mailto:jendixon@capuk.org)

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

**East of Eden Mission Community Website:** [www.eastofedenmc.org.uk](http://www.eastofedenmc.org.uk)

**PMC Website:** [www.penrithmethodist.co.uk](http://www.penrithmethodist.co.uk)

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