

Weekly Bulletin Sunday 29th October 2023

The Jesus Movement

Sophie and I recently went on holiday to Italy. During this holiday we visited the city of Lucca, more specifically the St. Martin Cathedral.

Within this amazing work of architecture, hung some incredible paintings. However, one of these stood out to me most. It is this image of Christ's resurrection by Michele Ridolfi. Jesus is bursting out of the grave surrounded by Roman soldiers, covered in holy light. The soldiers are covering their eyes and appear to be stricken with fear.

Why is this? Is Jesus equipped with some deadly weapons? Is he wearing some kind of impenetrable armour? No. He is covered only by a white cloth, and lifting his hands in what we would now recognise as the universal sign of surrender.



Why is it that these armed soldiers, who were part of the most powerful empire of their time, are so scared of this naked man before them? That's because Jesus has defeated the power of death and risen again. It's because everything that the empire feared had become a reality. The emperor no longer had all the power. This is why the Roman empire was so threatened by this movement that Jesus started. This movement that said, 'Jesus is Lord' rather than 'Caesar is Lord'. It took away their power over their subjects, which the Romans obviously didn't like.

Seeing this painting reminded me of how subversive and counter cultural the Jesus movement was. It got me thinking, 'what does it look like to say Jesus is Lord in today's culture?'. How do we reclaim the roots of Christianity from the clutches of the institutional mindset and get back to the movement that Jesus founded?

What does it look like to challenge the powerful, to stand with the marginalised, to truly walk the road of peace and justice? I think it will look different to each individual, but it is important to reflect on what that term 'Jesus is Lord' is truly calling you to be, and how do we take action based on that?

Morgan Tebb-Roger Pioneer Lay Minister



Penrith

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Michael Boone **'Look Forward'** ~ **Readings:** Psalm 1; Matthew 22: 34 – 46

7pm ~ Encounter ~ Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger

Patterdale

10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. Tim Cooke

Skelton

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Lawrence Tomlinson

Stainton

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mrs Lois Morton

Cottage Wood Centre

3pm ~ Evening Worship ~ Mr. Michael Boone

Renwick

10.30am ~ Joint EEMC Service – Final Service at Renwick Methodist Church

There are alternative Anglican services available.

For details, please see the EEMC website: www.eastofedenmc.org.uk

British Summertime Ends

Don't forget that the clocks go back an hour this Sunday!





Monday 30th October

9.30am ~ Monday Walks - Meet outside PMC

2pm ~ Bible Fellowship - Skelton Methodist Church

6.15pm ~ Choral Group – Sandgate/PMC

7.30pm ~ Monday Zoom Prayer

Tuesday 31st October

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

10.30am ~ CAP Job Club - Beacon/PMC

7pm ~ Omega HG – Sunningdale, Stainton

7.30pm ~ Junior Youth Club - Ullswater/PMC

Wednesday 1st November

10am ~ 3Cs - Cottage Wood Centre

10am ~ Coffee Morning - Skelton Methodist Church

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.)

7pm – 8pm ~ Cottage Wood Monthly Prayer Time **-** *We are continuing to pray at home, and all are welcome to take part for any or all of the hour.*

Thursday 2nd November

1pm ~ Thursday Tots - Ullswater/PMC

2pm ~ Parklands HG – 19 Frenchfield Way, Penrith

7.30pm ~ Alpha Course – Restore Shop, New Squares, Penrith

Friday 3rd November

12 noon ~ Lunch Club - Ullswater/PMC

Saturday 4th November

10am - 12 noon - Fair Trade Coffee Morning - Ullswater/PMC

Sunday 5th November

Penrith: 10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. Tim Cooke ~ Lunch to Follow

Skelton: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Miss Kathleen Williamson **Stainton: 10.30am** ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger

Cottage Wood: 3pm ~ Evening Worship ~ Rev. David Milner **Alston Moor: 11am** ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Richard Pattinson

3pm ~ Service of Hope & Thanksgiving at St. Augustine's Church

Nenthead: 5pm ~ Pennine Praise

Langwathby: 11am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Gillian Belford

Renwick Methodist Chapel



Closing Service



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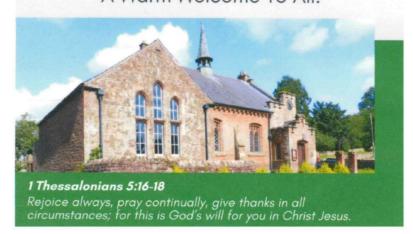
SUNDAY, 29TH OCTOBER, 2023

at

10.30 am

Refreshments Following The Service

A Warm Welcome To All.



FAIRTRADE CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 4th November, 10am - 12 noon, at PMC

- Fair Trade Christmas Cards (please find catalogues in reception)
- Fair Trade food and wrapping paper from OXFAM
- <u>Fair Trade</u> gifts from Victoria's
- Christine Milner's handmade cards
- Handmade wooden gifts
- Coffee & cake stall

Please come and buy, share in fellowship; And support Fair Trade and the Church.







Carols by Candlelight

We are once again holding the Carols by Candlelight concert at PMC on Sunday 17th December, 7pm.

If you are interested in participating this year, please contact Michael Boone via text on 07595 919 371 or email: info@innerouterwellbeing.com

Monday Zoom Prayer Meeting Link

Topic: Monday evening prayer Time: Every week on Monday, until 13th November 2023, 7:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting - https://zoom.us/j/97436321089

Meeting ID: 974 3632 1089

All are welcome to join this prayer meeting on Zoom every Monday.



Carlisle Refuge Collection

'[Tuesday's] collection was outstanding, once again, we were very grateful to the congregation for kind donations.

The volume of contributions collected and delivered from Penrith Methodist Church was staggering. We were overwhelmed with the amount of useful household items, the long-life food, and warm clothing/coats and blankets.

The items collected, will be used to support the Temporary Accommodation residents who are in need.

We rely heavily on charity and donations; the generosity exhibited goes a long way to show all those involved with our services kindness throughout the year.

Best wishes, Sharon Sanders'





Dr Neil Hudson MP Penrith and The Border



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Dear Tim

I write in congratulations not just to you, but to the entire Eden Methodist community for sustaining the Penrith Wordsworth Street Methodist Church for 150 years. This is an incredible milestone in the life of our town and reflects so well on the hundreds of people who have come through your doors over the past century and a half.

My personal faith is very important to me, so on a personal level it is incredibly heartening to see such a thriving community brought together in worship.

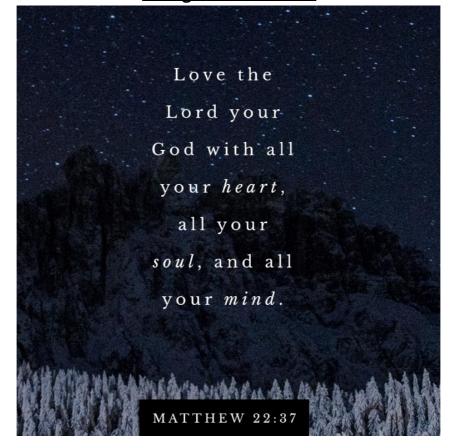
Congratulations once again.

Yours sincerely

Dr Neil Hudson MP



Thought for the Week



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

East of Eden Mission Community Website: www.eastofedenmc.org.uk

PMC Website: www.penrithmethodist.co.uk Find our Sunday services on YouTube Follow us on Twitter @PMCmethodists and on Facebook

Let's stay connected with one another!















