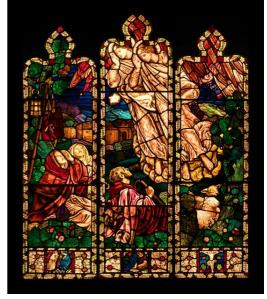


Weekly Bulletin Sunday 19th November 2023

Last Sunday was Remembrance Sunday, and in just a few weeks it will be Advent. This is a stained-glass window taken from Graingers Lane Primitive Methodist Church (later renamed Cradley Heath Methodist Church) in Birmingham. The building was demolished in 2016, and this window was taken out. It is now to be seen in the Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery.

The window is by the artist Henry Payne, and was dedicated on Armistice Day, 11th November 1922, as a memorial to the men of Cradley Heath who had lost their lives in the Great War.





These shepherds, though, with moustaches on their top lips, look suspiciously as if they might have just made their way out of the trenches. They certainly don't look very much like the unwashed workers of the First Century Middle East. The Shepherd furthest to the left holds his hand up. Is this to guard his eyes against the glare of the glory shining all around? Or is it cupped to his ear, to better hear the song of the angels? The two angels seem to mirror the shepherd's pose, with their hands to the side of their faces, too. Perhaps this is to amplify the sound, so that their voices can be heard.

Do they need to raise their voices in order to be heard? "Peace on Earth, and goodwill to all..."

Perhaps this is the point the artist wants to make. The shepherds 2000 years ago, were real people, just like the men in the trenches, and just like us today. We still need to hear the song of the angels, over the deafening sound of warfare and battle. When will we listen?

"And man, at war with man, hears not The love-song which they bring. O hush the noise, ye men of strife, And hear the angels sing!" [StF 205]



Penrith 10.30am ~ CAP Sunday ~ Rev. Tim Cooke Reading: Matthew 14: 13 - 21

Skelton 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mrs Carolyn Dickinson

Stainton 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Dr Peter Bowes

<u>Cottage Wood Centre</u> **3pm ~** Afternoon Worship ~ Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger

<u>Alston Moor</u> **11am ~** Morning Worship ~ Mrs Lois Morton

Langwathby 11am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Ray & Mrs Joan Wager

> <u>Kirkoswald</u> 6pm ~ Third Sunday Service

Gamblesby 10am ~ Little Acorns ~ Mrs Claire Slee

There are alternative Anglican services available. For details, please see the EEMC website: <u>www.eastofedenmc.org.uk</u>



Thought for the Week



Monday 20th November

9.30am ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

6.15pm ~ Choral Group – Sandgate/PMC

7.30pm ~ Monday Zoom Prayer – Hosted by David & Gillian Belford (details below)

<u>Tuesday 21st November</u>

10am ~ Midweek Service ~ Ven. Morris Rodham – Church/PMC
10am – 12 noon ~ 'He Brews' Coffee Club – Gamblesby Methodist Church
10.30am ~ CAP Job Club – Beacon/PMC
7pm ~ Omega HG – Sunningdale, Stainton
7.30pm ~ Junior Youth Club - Ullswater/PMC

Wednesday 22nd November

10am ~ 3Cs - Cottage Wood Centre
1.30pm ~ Wednesday Get Together (*previously 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.*)

<u>Thursday 23rd November</u>

1pm ~ Thursday Tots - Ullswater/PMC
6.30pm ~ Carols by Candlelight Practice – Church/PMC
7.30pm ~ Alpha Course – Restore Shop, New Squares, Penrith

Friday 24th November

12 noon ~ Lunch Club - Ullswater/PMC

Sunday 26th November

Penrith: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Beth Honey 7pm ~ Encounter ~ Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger
Skelton: 10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. David Milner
Stainton: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mrs Jan Blackshaw
Cottage Wood: 3pm ~ Afternoon Communion ~ Rev Tim Cooke
Alston Moor: 11am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Mary Elliot
Kirkoswald: 10am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Tim Cooke
Gamblesby: 2pm ~ Afternoon Worship ~ Mr. Lawrence Tomlinson
Renwick: 3pm ~ Baptism - Rev. David Milner
Salkeld Dykes: 6pm ~ Evening Worship ~ Rev. David Milner

Zoom Prayer Meeting

Monday 20th November at 7.30pm. Hosted by David & Gillian Belford Meeting ID: 955 474 1253 Password: 2YaB4F





A time to reflect on the amazing work this church does for those in our community suffering from debt and poverty

> Hear testimony from those who have been helped

> > Celebrate good news

Learn how you can help!





Gamblesby Methodist Church

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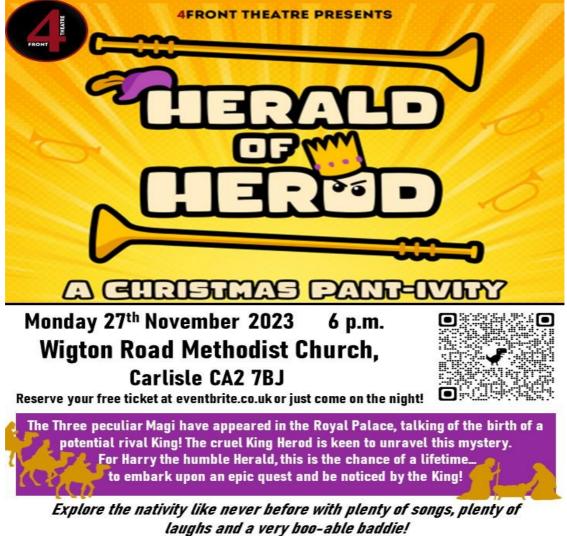
The 'He Brews' Coffee Club are pleased to have been awarded a further warm-spaces grant from the Cumbria Community Foundation to assist their regular get togethers, each Tuesday from 10am to noon, to which all are welcome.

#### **Thank You**

I am most grateful for the huge number of cards and flowers I have received for my birthday and thank you all. I had a lovely day and am looking forward to a family gathering this weekend.

I send you all my love and greetings, Rosemary Crook.





A 1 hour show suitable for families and children of all ages!

### Cards in the Glasshouse

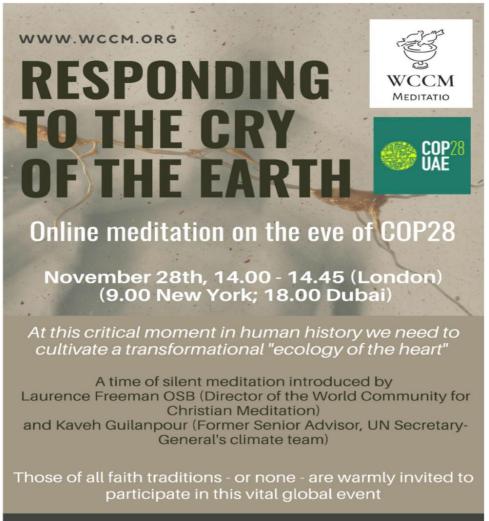
I have filled up the box of cards in the glasshouse for the last time this week. Many thanks to those who contributed material for me to use. Thank you also to everyone who bought the cards over the last 13 years and by doing so helped PMC.



Vera Scott.

May we also express our thanks to you, Vera, for all the lovely cards you have made over the years. They have been very much appreciated by so many people, in addition to the funds they have raised for the church.

*If anyone else would like to take over supplying handmade cards, please contact the Circuit Office.* 



https://wccm.org/events/cop28

#### Can you give a financial donation to our 2023 "Bags of Hope" Christmas Appeal

Eden CAP Debt Centre will supply "Bag's of Hope" to each client household. These will contain a groceries voucher for food shopping, credit towards gas & electric for the home, Argos gift cards for child presents, along with invites to carol services and a magazine full of hope-filled scriptures.





GIVING INSTRUCTIONS: Please can donations be received by Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December. Please use Reference: "CAP Blessings 2023"

> Bank Transfers can be made to Sort Code: 20-66-97, Account Number: 83540006

> Cheques can be paid to: "Penrith Methodist Church General CAP Account" PMC Church office, Wordsworth St, Penrith. CA11 7QY



#### Saltmine Theatre Group

Please note, this is a Christian touring theatre company with a new take on the traditional story. It is not 'a Christmas Panto'!

Children's tickets are free, but they must be accompanied by adults.

We would be grateful if you would encourage families to make use of this opportunity.

For any further information please contact Rev. Andrew Gardner. (See poster details for contact details.)

#### **PMC Christmas Charities Nominations**

We normally donate any cash offerings from our services over the Christmas period to charity and would like members and friends of PMC to nominate some for this year.

If you can choose a local one and a national or international one, we will count the nominations and see which secure the most support.

We are yet to receive any nominations so are extending the deadline for another week. Please either call the Circuit Office or email your nominations to Maureen: maureen@penrithmethodist.co.uk



### **Methodist Young Adults Fellowship**

"Taking inspiration from the Wesley's Holy Club, Methodist Young Adult Fellowship (MYAF) has been formed by a group of Young Adults within the Methodist Church as a group to offer fellowship to one another. Comprising of a WhatsApp group and monthly Zoom gatherings, MYAF hopes to be a safe and inclusive space for young adults to meet, chat, pray and get to know one another in a church which can sometimes feel very grey.

The group is for 18-30 year olds who have connections with the Methodist Church and would like to spend time connecting with other young adult Methodists."

To find out more email Naomi Prince from the Yorkshire North East District: <a href="mailto:admin@yorkshirenemethodist.org">admin@yorkshirenemethodist.org</a>.

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Eden Debt Centre Manager (CAP): Jon Cook (currently on Sabbatical) Contact: Jen Dixon, email: 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

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!













