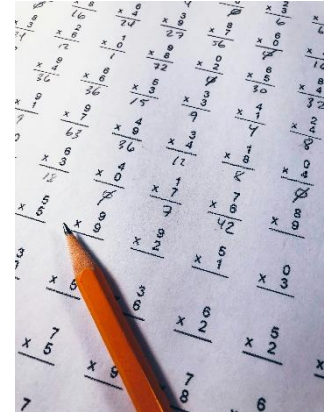


Weekly Bulletin

Sunday 26th October

Numbers

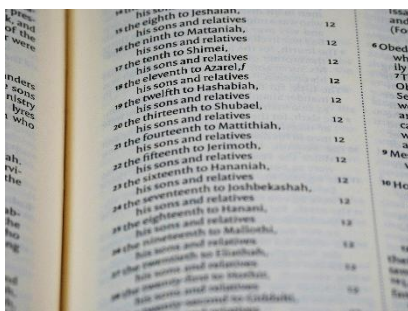
We came to Cumbria 30 years ago and joined what was then the Penrith Circuit. I had only been here a few short weeks when I was asked if I could sort out the financial details for a church, now long closed. The details given to the Minister did not make much sense and I had to ask questions and try to get 'the picture' so that I could draw up a balance sheet for the year. Such tasks have come my way on many occasions, right up to the present time, as I have tried to sort out the finances for chapels and other charitable organisations. I never trained as an accountant but having to deal with figures for my work was a great help.



Numbers play a significant part in all aspects of life. We need to know what numbers mean for church finances, our own home and personal monies, for the distances to and from places, and generally how to add, subtract, multiply and divide. Do we always get the right answers?

We watch the TV programme 'Countdown' and numbers play a significant part in the final scores. Six numbers have to be used, in any combination to make a random total and anyone who struggles with this is unlikely to win.

The Bible contains the Book of Numbers in the Old Testament. It is perhaps read rarely as we are unwilling to wade through all the statistics given there.



The Introduction to the book in the Good News Bible tells us: 'Numbers is an account of people who were often discouraged and afraid of hardship and who rebelled against God and Moses. It is a story of God's faithful consistent care for his people in spite of their weaknesses and disobedience.' To God each one still mattered, they were not 'just a number'.

Jesus told us in both the Gospels of Matthew and Luke that we should not be afraid for God knows each one individually and even the hairs on our heads are all numbered. If he is aware of each member of his creation like this and cares what happens to us all, then we are the 'number' that matters. We thank God for his Greatness shown to everyone in tender loving care.

Lois Morton



Penrith

10.30am ~ Harvest Festival Service – Mr Morgan Tebb-Roger

Readings: Luke 8:1-15

7pm ~ Encounter

Skelton

10.30am ~ Morning Worship – Rev Julia Reid

Stainton

10.30am ~ United Service at Skelton

Cottage Wood Centre

3pm ~ Afternoon Communion – Rev Julia Reid

Alston Moor

11am ~ Morning Worship – Rev Mary Elliot

Gamblesby

2pm ~ Local Arrangement/Songs of Praise

Kirkoswald

10am ~ Morning Communion – Mr Dean Lawson

There are alternative Anglican services available.

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

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Come along to the Encounter service at PMC on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm, where Morgan will be sitting down with Dean and discussing all things pastoral.



### **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October**

**9.25am** ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

**7.30pm** ~ Zoom Prayer Meeting –

*All are welcome to join, please use the Meeting ID below,*

*Meeting ID: 955 474 1253*

*Password: 2YaB4F*

### **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October**

**10am** ~ Morning Worship – Rev Julia Reid – Church/PMC

**10am** ~ ‘He Brews’ Coffee Club – Gamblesby Methodist Chapel

**1.30pm** ~ Prayer Meeting – Church/PMC

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

**7pm** ~ Omega House Group – Sunningdale, Stainton

### **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October**

**1.30pm** ~ Wednesday Get Together - Skelton Methodist Church

**7.30pm** ~ Living Room HG, contact Morgan for details

### **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

**2pm** ~ Parklands HG – Upper Link/PMC

**7.15pm** ~ Fellside HG (*Contact Ange at 07808 801229 for more details*)

### **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October**

**12 noon** ~ Lunch Club – Ullswater/PMC

### **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

**Penrith: 10.30am**

Morning Worship – Rev. Julia Reid

**Skelton:**

United Service at Stainton

**Stainton: 10.30am**

Morning Worship – Rev. Gillian Belford

**Cottage Wood:**

United Service at Stainton (10.30am)

**Alston Moor: 11am**

Local Arrangement

**Gamblesby: 10am**

Little Acorns

**Langwathby: 11am**

Morning Worship – Mrs Lois Morton

**Nenthead: 5pm**

Pennine Praise



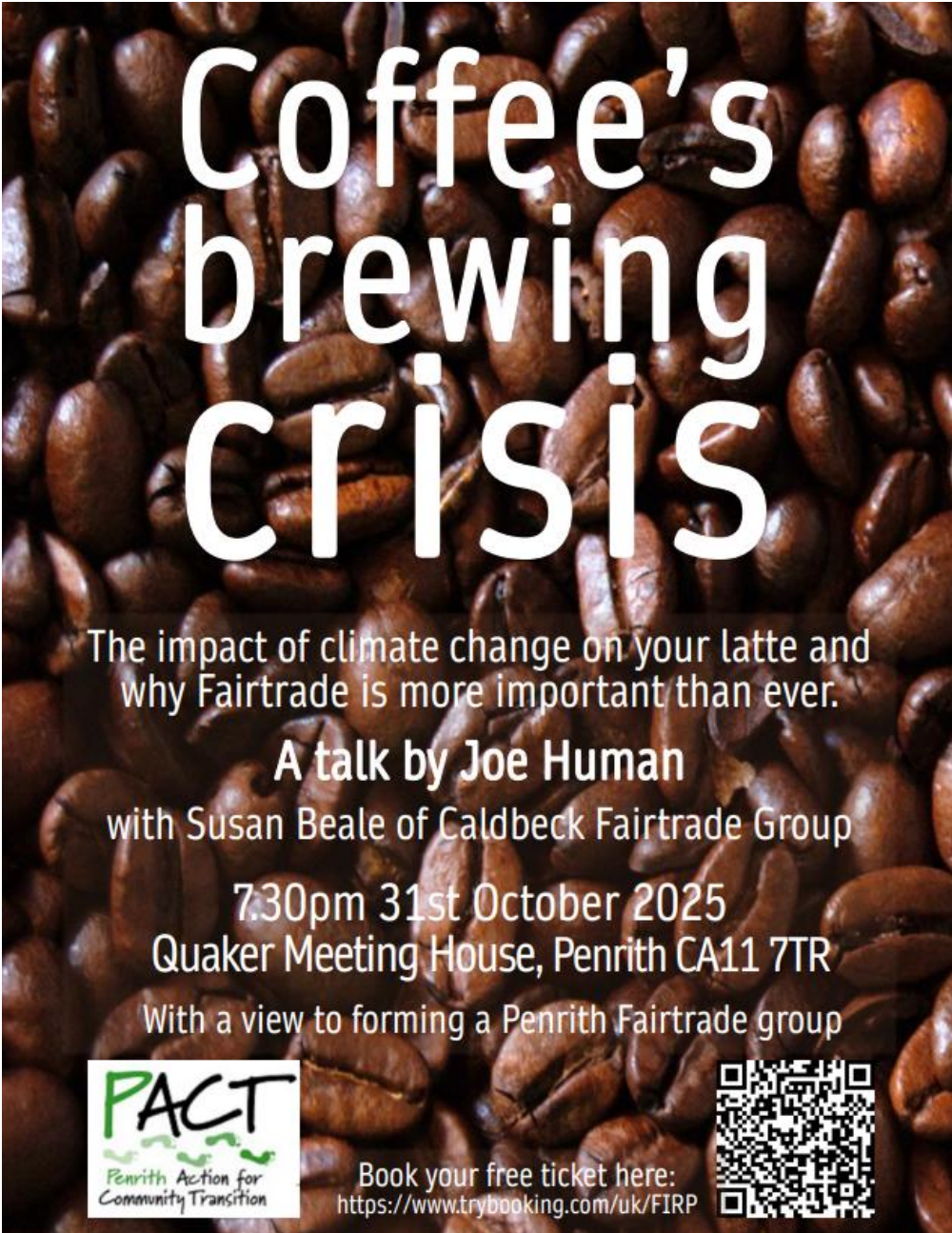


### Averil Cozens

Averil passed away at Riverwell Beck Care Home, Carlisle, in the early hours of Thursday morning, slipping away very quietly and peacefully with three of us from the family at her side. It was a merciful release, and she is now with her Lord in whom she had such a great faith.

Thank you everyone for all the messages, thoughts and prayers which we have received over the past weeks. They have meant so much to us all.

Gareth.

The background of the poster is a close-up, high-resolution image of dark brown, roasted coffee beans, showing their characteristic shape and texture.

# Coffee's brewing crisis

The impact of climate change on your latte and why Fairtrade is more important than ever.

**A talk by Joe Human**  
with Susan Beale of Caldbeck Fairtrade Group

7.30pm 31st October 2025  
Quaker Meeting House, Penrith CA11 7TR

With a view to forming a Penrith Fairtrade group

The logo for PACT (Penrith Action for Community Transition) features the word "PACT" in a bold, green, sans-serif font. Below it, the full name "Penrith Action for Community Transition" is written in a smaller, green, sans-serif font, with a small green leaf icon to the left of the text.

Book your free ticket here:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/FIRP>

A standard black and white square QR code located in the bottom right corner of the poster, which likely links to the ticket booking page mentioned in the text.



You are very welcome to our next **"All Together Fellowship"**  
on **Monday November 3rd** at **2pm in Penrith Methodist Church.**

Our gathering will as always begin with a short act of worship, and following this there will be a talk and visual presentation by Dickon Chaplin-Brice.



Dickon has called his talk **"Granite from Threlkeld"**



The quarry and museum are dedicated to the 'dark and dirty' side of the Lake District. Having been involved with this venture for some 17 years, Dickon will tell us about his experiences, and share his passion for Lakeland's history and industrial heritage.



After the presentation, there will be, as usual, opportunities to meet others, have a good chat and enjoy drinks and homemade cakes.

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Our final **"All Together Fellowship"** of 2025 is on  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 8th, at 2pm in Church.**

Come and join us, and enjoy an afternoon of Christmas cheer.  
There will be readings, poems, carol singing, etc, and a surprise presentation.  
Plus: - Festive refreshments to conclude proceedings.

John & Margaret





# Fair Trade Coffee Morning

Join us on  
**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November**  
10am-12pm  
at Penrith Methodist Church

## Fair Trade

Cake Stall  
Victoria's Stall  
Christmas Cards  
Christine Milner's Cards  
Goods and Food from Oxfam



## Fellside HG

We are watching/ discussing Chariots of Fire in sections:

**Thursday 30th October at 7.15pm**

**Thursday 20th November at 7.15pm**

Please ring Mike 07511089321 or Ange 07808801229 for venue details.



### Carols by Candlelight - "The Light We Carry"

Would you like to be part of this year's *Carols by Candlelight*?

Our Christmas service, **"The Light We Carry,"** will be held on **Friday, 12 December at 7pm** — a beautiful evening of music, reflection, and community.

Everyone is welcome to join the choir — **no matter your vocal ability!**  
We'll be practicing on **Monday evenings, 7-8pm, starting in November.**

Come and share in the joy of the season as we celebrate the Light that shines in all of us.

## Shoebox Packing

Thank you to everyone who helped to pack 40 boxes at our communal get together. Thank you also for the bags of lovely items left beforehand, brought on the day or given since. We have donations to cover the transport costs too which is amazing. Thank you.

If you are doing your own box, please return to PMC by **Sunday 9th November**.



# The Christians Against Poverty Eden debt centre celebrates its **ten year anniversary!**

Everyone is welcome to join us as we look back and celebrate ten years of helping local people become debt free.



**Thursday 13th November, 1pm - 2.30pm**



**The Rooms Penrith**, Penrith Parish Centre, St Andrew's Place, Cumbria, CA11 7XX



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

A light buffet and refreshments will be served  
Please **RSVP** by **Monday 3rd November**

This invite is open to anyone who has been involved in the work of the debt centre in the past, currently or is interested in finding out more for the future.





# Christmas Gift Bag Appeal



**Can you give a financial donation to the CAP Eden District Christmas Appeal?**

**Give our clients a Christmas gift of vouchers for groceries, an Argos voucher for children's presents and Christmas treats**

Donations will help support clients who are working with the debt centre

Giving Instructions: Bank transfers can be made to: Sort code 20-66-97  
Account No 83540006

Please use reference 'CAP Blessing 2025'

Cheques can be paid to Penrith Methodist Church General CAP account

PMC Church Office, Wordsworth St, Penrith, CA11 7QY



**Deadline for donations Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

## **Carlisle Refuge – thank you!**

A sincere thank you to anyone who contributed to Monday's van collection for Carlisle Refuge.

Various items were brought down to Church including two cots, bedding, various kitchen items, clothing, Christmas gifts and cash donations to the Keith Scott Education Fund.

Two people told me how much they had enjoyed choosing and wrapping Christmas gifts as they now find themselves without anyone to buy for. So, joy for the givers and receivers.

Watch out for the next date.

Thank you again,  
Anne





## **NWED Newsletter**

If you would like to find out more about what is going on in the greater district, we encourage you to sign up to the North West England District Newsletter – you can do so following these steps:

1. Go to [www.nwedmethodists.org.uk](http://www.nwedmethodists.org.uk)
2. Follow the “Join our mailing list” link
3. Input your details and enjoy!

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Easy Eco Tip – October:

Taste the difference!

Local and seasonal food not only tastes great but is better for the planet too. Think about incorporating locally grown produce into your diet and shopping list throughout the seasons, as it is harvested at its peak ripeness ensuring superior flavour, compared to imported alternatives that have travelled thousands of miles. If saying grace before a meal is a regular practice in your household, include giving thanks for your local food producers this month.



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## **Ukraine**

In spite of hopes and promises, Ukraine still desperately needs our help. Some of the urgent and ongoing needs are:

- Soap
- Shampoo
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Paracetamol
- Washing Powder
- Nappies for babies
- Sanitary Towels
- As always, CANDLES (Preferably plain wax ones, either new or partly used)

If you can give just one of these items you will be making someone's life a little bit easier.

Many thanks.



## 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](http://www.eastofedenmc.org.uk)

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

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