

June/July 2018

The **MESSENGER**



Bramhope Methodist Church



WHAT'S ON AT OUR CHURCH

<p>SUNDAY 8.30am</p> <p>10.00am</p>	<p><u>First Sunday in the month - PRAYER BREAKFAST</u> prayer requests to Joan Bosomworth</p> <p><u>MORNING WORSHIP</u> <u>First Sunday in the month - HOLY COMMUNION</u></p> <p><u>EVENING SERVICES</u> – dates in Church Diary</p>
<p>MONDAY 9.00-10.00am</p> <p>10.30am</p> <p>2.00-4.00pm</p>	<p><u>PILATES</u> – Tel 07745 801438</p> <p><u>Fourth Monday in the month - MEN'S BRUNCH CLUB</u> LADIES meet for Coffee – see weekly notices for venue</p> <p><u>SEQUENCE TEA DANCE in the Hall</u></p>
<p>TUESDAY 10.00-12noon</p> <p>10.00am</p> <p>7.15pm</p>	<p><u>COFFEE SHOP in the Hall</u></p> <p><u>Second Tuesday in the month - HOLY COMMUNION</u> – in the Low Room</p> <p><u>First Tuesday in the month - October-April – FILM CLUB</u></p>
<p>WEDNESDAY 10.15-11.15am</p> <p>6.30-7.30pm</p> <p>8.00-9.15pm</p>	<p><u>TAI CHI</u> – organised by OPAL – Tel 0113-2619103</p> <p><u>PILATES</u> – Tel 07745 801438</p> <p><u>YOGA</u> – Tel 07850 471568</p>
<p>THURSDAY 2.00-4.00pm</p> <p>7.30pm</p>	<p><u>BRAMHOPE MEETING POINT</u> – for the over 60's</p> <p><u>Second Thursday in the month from September-May</u> <u>THURSDAY LADIES' GROUP</u></p>
<p>SATURDAY 9.30am</p> <p>9.00-12noon</p>	<p><u>WALKING GROUP</u> - monthly guided walks throughout the year - meet outside Church for car sharing to start</p> <p><u>DANCE INC</u> – a range of different dance classes for children from 3 to 10yrs+, contact Emma on 0770705549</p>

April/May 2018

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Dear Friends

Recently one of our daughters completed the Brighton marathon. Not bad going considering that in November she had broken her foot. I know it may be hard to believe but I confess that I too used to be a runner and loved representing my school in athletics tournaments. I love the running gear that is available these days, you are spoilt for choice. There is often a vast array of colours and fabrics to choose from. The colours are deliberately very bright, even luminous ensuring that runners can be clearly visible to any passing motorists.

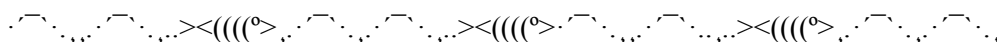
Being visible is also a part of being a Christian. Jesus taught his disciples in Matthew 5:14-15 “You’re here to be light, bringing out the God colours in the world. God is not a secret to be kept. We’re going public on this, as public as a city on a hill. If I make you light-bearers, you don’t think I’m going to hide you under a bucket do you? “

Pentecost saw the arrival and power of the Spirit but that power didn’t become apparent until the disciples left the upper room and went out into the streets of Jerusalem. The first disciples became willing to be visible to visitors from every part of the known world. Being seen as disciples is not about trying to appear to be holy. Jesus spoke out about this kind of visibility. Rather it’s about Christianity being lived out in the world, among real people, with real problems and being lived out in ways which can be seen, and experienced, and which in turn have an impact.

Matthew 5:16 goes onto say, “Shine! Keep open house, be generous with your lives. By opening up to others, you’ll prompt people to open up with God.” (The Message Bible).

My prayer for us all, is that over the coming days, weeks and months we will be empowered to go out into the world and shine and in doing so point others to God.

Every blessing, Jenny



Our Church Mission Statement:

“Together as a Church family we are aspiring to love God, the Community and each other through worship, prayer, learning, service and outreach.”

Church Weekly Notices - Please send items for the Sunday church notices by email to susanward29@icloud.com or telephone 01943 467517 by Tuesday lunchtime.

Copy Deadline for the August/September Messenger is 16th July 2018 by email to susanward29@icloud.com or Tel 01943 467 517

Door Stewards/Readers/Coffee Team

Spare duty Rotas are always available in the church vestibule and the vestry, or from one of the Stewards - Catherine, Norman, Joan or Marion.

With grateful thanks to all who serve the church by carrying out these duties.

The Wharfedale and Aireborough Circuit Evening Services are at 6.00pm on:

Sunday 10th June - Christchurch, Ilkley

Sunday 8th July - Burley

Please speak to one of the Stewards if you need help with transport.

**HELP
WANTED**

Are you free on Thursday afternoons to help make the tea for Meeting Point for a couple of months. They meet once a week from 2.00-4.00pm. Please speak to Ewart if you think you can. Many thanks

Church Flower Rota

June

3rd Jean Heatherington 10th Beryl Weatherley
17th Tonia Clifton 24th David Martin

July

1st Betty Gregson 8th Catherine Birkby
15th Dorothy Emmett 22nd Wyn Hannon
29th Dorothy Mercer



PLEASE arrange flowers in the Low Room where the vases are kept and NOT in the kitchen. Access to the church is available between 9.00 and 12.00 on Saturday **BUT NOT TO THE HALL, STAGE AND KITCHEN** WHERE THE DANCING GROUP meets.

Grateful thanks are extended to all who donate flowers. These are distributed weekly to our Church Members and Friends.

"If you think squash is a competitive activity, try flower arranging." Alan Bennett

"Love is the answer, and you know that for sure; Love is a flower, you've got to let it grow." John Lennon

District Children's Holiday 2018 - A box will be available in the Church Porch during July for your donations of good quality clothes, toys, games and books, sweets etc. Please give any cash or cheques made payable to Methodist District Holiday A/C to Margaret Fielding. Thank you for your kind and generous support for this scheme.



The Coffee Morning held on Friday 13th April raised a total of £406 for the Society.

Many thanks to the Outreach Team and Catherine for organising this and to everyone who supported it.

The collection of small change during Lent and from the Lent Lunches raised a total of £109.20 for the WaterAid Charity.

Thank you again for your support.



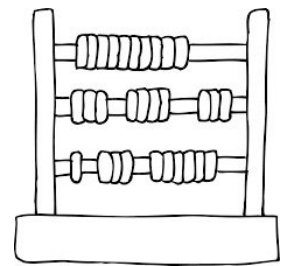
Church Diary Dates

June			
Sunday	3 rd	8.30am 10.00am 7.00pm	Prayer Breakfast Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Keith Reed Organ Recital
Wednesday	6 th	10.00am 7.30pm	Ewart's House Group Bible Study at Otley
Sunday	10 th	10.00am 6.00pm	Worship led by Deacon Liz Day <i>Circuit Evening Service at Christchurch</i>
Monday	11 th	7.30pm	Dementia Friends' Training
Tuesday	12 th	10.00am 7.00pm	Holy Communion in the Low Room Bramhope Festival Film Club showing "The Greatest Showman"
Saturday	16 th	9.30am	Walking Group - meet outside Church
Sunday	17 th	10.00am	Local Arrangement
Monday	18 th	7.30pm	Church Council Meeting
Wednesday	20 th	10.00am 7.30pm	Ewart's House Group Bible Study at Otley
Thursday	21 st	7.00pm	Prayer Team meeting - Low Room
Friday	22 nd	10.00- 4.00pm	Open House at 12 Manor Close for the Joanna Project
Sunday	24 th	10.00am	Worship led by Rev Lesley Taylor
July			
Sunday	1 st	8.30am 10.00am	Prayer Breakfast Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Roger Smith
Monday	2 nd	10.30am	Dementia Friends' Training

Wednesday	4 th	7.30pm	Bible Study at Otley
Sunday	8 th	10.00am <i>6.00pm</i>	Worship led by Deacon Jenny Parnell <i>Circuit Evening Service at Burley</i>
Tuesday	10 th	10.00am	Holy Communion in the Low Room
Saturday	14 th	9.30am	Circuit Mission Walk - see noticeboard for details
Sunday	15 th	10.00am	Worship led by Rev Roger Smith
Wednesday	18 th	7.30pm	Bible Study at Otley
Saturday	21 st	2.30- 5.00pm	Bramhope Festival Afternoon Tea with entertainment by Serendipity
Sunday	22 nd	10.00am	Worship led by Joan Bosomworth
Sunday	29 th	10.00am	Local Arrangement Café style Church in the Hall - refreshments available from 9.45am

Fridays	10.00-10.30am	Otley Church - Shoppers' Service
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Weekly Activities at our Church		
Monday	9.00-10.00 2-4.00pm	PILATES - contact Angela 07745 801438 SEQUENCE Tea Dancing - contact Marjorie 2679802
Tuesday	10-12.00	COFFEE SHOP in the Hall
Wednesday	10.15-11.15 6.30-7.30pm 8.00-9.15pm	TAI CHI - organised by OPAL - 0113 261 9103 PILATES - contact Angela 07745 801438 YOGA - contact Polly 07850 471568
Thursday	2.00-4.00pm	MEETING POINT - in conjunction with OPAL - conversation, refreshments and activities
Saturday	9.00-12noon	DANCE Inc - dance classes for all ages and abilities - contact Emma 0770 7055491



TREASURER'S INTERIM REPORT

Accounts

The averaged weekly collections for the year to date are :

	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
Envelopes, Cash and Standing Orders	£ 511	£ 508

This is an increase of 0.5%. Although modest the increase is positive and reflects one off giving and one off circumstances.

Other activities including plant sale, dancing, quiz and rental income (the latter up 20%) are continuing to support our incomes.

Expenses are broadly in line with previous years with the exception of utilities, up 20% due to the long wet winter. Repairs to date are in line with last year, this year the cottage, Church roofs, repairs to organ stops and heating-sticking valve have incurred costs in excess of £5,000. Repair costs for the remainder of the year are anticipated to be much lower than last year.

Although the position is again tight I see no reason at this stage in not achieving a break even position.

The 2017 Accounts have now been reviewed and are in line with those submitted to Council.

The Organ Fund remains at £14,906.24 when gift aid to be claimed is added. An organ recital is planned and we hope to have a further choral event later in the year.

The Redevelopment Fund stands at £10,435.86 with a further £10,000 receivable from District. Negotiations regarding the entrance improvements are ongoing.

Norman Sykes

Honorary Treasurer

Report on the Sequence Tea Dancing from Marjorie Russell

It is now 10 years since I started the Monday afternoon tea dances, when I was asked if I could raise some money for the re-decorating/refurbishment of the church hall.

I didn't know how I would do it, but it has been a success. Unfortunately numbers aren't as many as they used to be, due to some no longer being able to come through sickness etc. However we have still been able to raise **£1,622** for church funds over the last 44 weeks.

I look forward to another year of dancing.

Marjorie

Annual General Church Council

At our AGM on Sunday 20th May the following appointments for 2018/19 were approved:

Church Stewards re-appointed every year	Norman Sykes Joan Bosomworth Catherine Birkby *** Marion Rider	
Assistant Stewards re-appointed every year	Chris Jeffries Margaret le Beau David Martin Sheila Neville	
Church Secretary	VACANCY	
Church Treasurer	Norman Sykes	2013
Resources Secretary	Jack Foster	1984
Pastoral Cmmttee Chair Secretary	Rev Roger Smith Susan Ward	2014
Outreach Chairman	Deacon Jenny Parnell	2017
Outreach Secretary	Joan Bosomworth	2004
Rep from Pastoral Cttee	VACANCY	
Reps from Church Membership (Max of 15 people appt to serve for a max term of 6yrs – to be re-appointed every year)	Betty Foster	2013
	Marjorie Russell	2013
	Val Sykes	2013
	Sandy Leadbeater	2013
	Bernard Neville	2015
	Margaret Fielding	2016
	Judith Neville	2016
	Steve Weatherley	2016
	Dorothy Emmett	2016
	Susan Ward	2018
	Avril Rollinson	2018
	David Martin	2018
Ben Emmett	2018	
	There are currently two vacancies	

Stewards:

*** Catherine Birkby is the designated Senior Steward for Circuit Contact

Norman Sykes is now responsible for the three monthly rota for Sundays and any queries regarding this should be directed to him.

Joan Bosomworth will be responsible for contacting the weekly visiting Preacher.

Church Council appointments

The following Council appointments for 2018-19 were approved:

Church Council Secretary	VACANCY
Church Treasurer	Norman Sykes
Communion Stewards	Avril Rollinson (Senior) Catherine Birkby Marion Crossley Margaret LeBeau Susan Ward
Gift Aid Secretary	Bernard Neville
Resources Committee Chair	Stephen Weatherley
Publicity Officer	VACANCY
Property & Resources Committee Secretary	Jack Foster
Outreach Committee Chair	Deacon Jenny Parnell
Outreach Committee Secretary	Joan Bosomworth
World Missions Secretary	Joan Bosomworth
Home Missions Secretary	Val Sykes
Pastoral Secretary	Susan Ward
Action for Children Co-ordinator @ MHA	Margaret Fielding
Circuit Meeting Reps	Ex-officio reps: Senior Steward + One other Steward + Church Treasurer
Organist	Jack Foster
Pastoral Visitors	Catherine Birkby Pat Birnage Marion Crossley Dorothy Emmett Judith Neville Avril Rollinson Norman Sykes Susan Ward
Assistant Stewards	Chris Jeffries Margaret le Beau David Martin Sheila Neville
Church Safeguarding Adults Representative and Church Safeguarding Children's Co-ordinator	Margaret Fielding

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



As part of the Bramhope Village Summer Festival

FILM CLUB showing
“The Greatest Showman”

Tuesday 12th June at 7.00pm

Tickets now on sale £5 each available from
Jack Foster - TEL 0113 2672906

Friday 22nd June - 10.00-4.00pm

OPEN HOUSE

at

12 Manor Close, Bramhope

In aid of the charity



JOANNA
PROJECT

See page 17 of the April/May Messenger for information about the Project and
www.joannaproject.co.uk

As part of the Bramhope Village Summer Festival

ORGAN RECITAL

by Toby Ward

Sunday 3rd June 2018 at 7.00pm

Toby returns for a third recital to raise funds for the restoration of the Leeds-built 1904 Abbott and Smith organ, which remarkably has survived in original condition.

This summer's concert will see the best of British light music, complementing traditional organ works, including 'Sailing By', 'By the Sleepy Lagoon', and '633 Squadron'. Refreshments will be served and audience participation must be expected!

A SUMMER AFTERNOON TEA with ENTERTAINMENT by Serendipity

*Who will present a programme in speech and song to celebrate "The Seasons"
Enjoy the warmth of Summer, the glory of Autumn, the beauty of Winter and the brightness of
Spring, all in one afternoon.*

Saturday 21st July 2018 - 2.30 to 5.00pm

Delicious homemade sandwiches, scones and cakes
will be served

Tickets for both the above events are priced at £10 each and are now on sale. Please send payment, together with a stamped addressed envelope to:

"The Toby Ward Organ Recital", OR

Afternoon Tea with Serendipity

c/o 21 The Rowans, Bramhope, LS16 9DZ. Cheques should be made payable to Bramhope Methodist Church. A stamped addressed envelope would be appreciated.

Prayer, Worship, Study and Mission

Worship Teams – could you be involved?

Local Arrangement services have become a regular feature of our worship programme and have been well received so far. They provide a great opportunity for us as a congregation to engage with how we would like our services to be. Are there issues that you think as a church we should address; aspects of faith or passages in the Bible that have challenged you and would like to explore further? Is there a particular type of worship that you feel brings you closer to God? If you would like to contribute even a single thought or idea, or help by joining a worship team to plan future Local Arrangements, please feel free to speak with me or contact me by phone or email before the end of June.

Thank you.

Margaret Le Beau

margaretlebeau@gmail.com 0113 2841010

Midweek Communion in the Low Room

The **second Tuesday** in the month at 10.00am

This midweek communion is an opportunity

To listen to a passage of Scripture

To hear a brief message about our faith

To share in Holy Communion

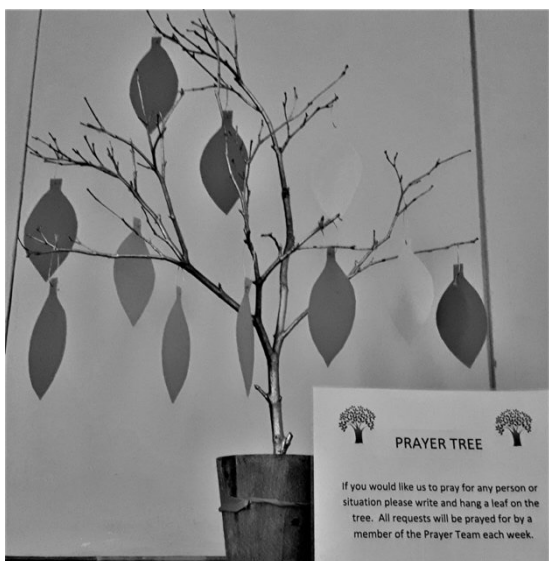
Coffee afterwards then provides time for conversation and fellowship.

Thursday evening communions may be reinstated in the future if there is enough demand for them.



ONE MISSION MATTERS - in the porch is a copy of the latest 'One Mission Matters' leaflet. In it is a very interesting article on the work of Christians against Poverty. This is a group that we as a Circuit have been encouraged to support and Church Council will be considering how we can do this at their next meeting on Monday 18th June.

Prayer Ministry – update



Since last November there has been a member of the Prayer Ministry team available after morning service for anyone who would like someone to pray with. There are five members in the team and the relevant person is mentioned in the notices each week. Deacon Jenny also advises us. We usually make ourselves available in the prayer corner but sometimes go down to the Low Room if preferred.

As part of morning worship the person on duty prays with the choir and minister/preacher downstairs before the service. We collect any written prayer requests from the Prayer Tree downstairs or the Prayer Box in church, offer these prayers to God and continue the prayers throughout the week. Please just ask if there is any person or situation you would like us to pray for.

The prayer corner has a leaflet of prayer suggestions for anyone who just wants to sit quietly after the service; candles to light; and prayer stones as aids to reflection.

As this is a new venture this year, we welcome any thoughts or suggestions you might have. If you feel that being a member of the Prayer Team is something you would like to think about please have a word with one of us. We will also be having a meeting with Jenny on June 21st at 7.00pm in the Low Room to talk about how we pray with other people.

Other members of the prayer team are Catherine Birkby, Lynne Pearson, Steven Rollinson and Steve Weatherley.

Margaret Le Beau

The Word of God

Proverbs 1 v8. 19 v18 and 13 v1

I often think that anyone who says that the Old Testament bears no relevance in society today, has never read Proverbs. Much of Proverbs is written within the context of a father giving advice to his son. Even at the time Proverbs was written family relationships could be difficult. There is no truer saying than 'You can choose your friends but not your relations', but despite the problems that might exist, family loyalty runs deep.

As we read this book we must bear in mind that today's family units are much more complex. Yet much of it's teaching still applies. The author encourages parents to teach, guide, correct and love their children. It urges children to listen to and respect their parents. Family life can be fraught with difficulties. As a church we need to support all families and encourage peaceful relationships within the home.

The book of Proverbs has some wonderful pearls of wisdom and I finish with one of them.

Ch17 v1 "Better to eat a dry crust of bread with peace of mind than to have a banquet in a house of trouble."

Joan Bosomworth

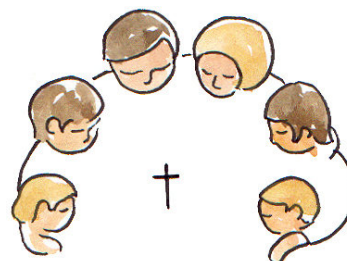
Prayer Calendar for June and July

We pray for:

- ❖ The Methodist Conference and all attendees for good guidance and discernment.
- ❖ For all Ordinands as they are received into full ministry, thinking especially of Vicky Atkins and Jill Pullan.
- ❖ The Fund raising event for the Joanna Project on Friday 22nd June.
- ❖ All the young people in the village who will leave or change schools at this time.
- ❖ We give thanks for the wonderful life of Canon John Clayton, a great Christian and happy to be involved in both churches in our village.
- ❖ We give thanks for approaching holiday times and look forward to enjoying the world God gave us

Amen

The POWER of PRAYER



We have a number of ways of offering prayer for you, your friends and family, or for situations that touch us in the world?

- ❖ **Prayer Book** in the vestibule – please write prayer requests in on any Sunday, or mention them to one of the Stewards on duty, and they will be included during the service.
- ❖ **Prayer Breakfast** – let Joan Bosomworth (**2674198**) know of any requests in advance and they will be included in our prayers on the **first Sunday of each month**; or join us for this quiet time of prayer and meditation, followed by a time of fellowship over breakfast.
- ❖ **Emergency Prayer Chain** – when prayer is needed urgently and confidentially. Please contact **Rev Roger Smith (01943 874735)** or email **roger.smith@methodist.org.uk**.
- ❖ **Add your prayers to the Prayer Tree** or post in the accompanying **Prayer Box**.

Or for any of the above, please fill in the form and post in the letter box at church, addressed to the appropriate person.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Name: _____
Situation: _____

If you would like to join the Prayer Chain please contact Ewart Lewis ewartlewis@gmail.com or Tel 0113 2678001

P	Prayer opens the door for God to talk to us and
R	Receive his blessings
A	Adoration, Confession, Thanks or Supplication
Y	You can do it anytime, anywhere

Did you know?

..... about ‘**Nightstop**’

The focus of our local arrangement service in August last year was ‘Living on the Edge’ and we heard about two local charities working specifically to help marginalised people. They were started by Christians who felt compassion and were moved to show God’s love in very practical ways. Lynne Pearson told us about ‘Nightstop’.

I am going to tell you about an amazing woman, Hilary Wilmer MBE, who goes to Moortown Baptist Church. I came across Hilary 30 years ago when we both worked with Faith in Leeds. Faith in Leeds was a Christian initiative that was set up to look at the needs of people living in inner city Leeds.

Hilary set up a lot of different projects to help young people living in Leeds. In 1986 she started Leeds and Moortown Furniture Store to provide good quality second hand furniture, free of charge, for people who needed it. The following year she responded to the need for emergency accommodation for young homeless people by setting up a project called Nightstop – where Christians offered to give homeless teenagers a bed for one night. It was a great success and there are now 33 Nightstops around the UK. It is run by Depaul UK, part of Barnados, who ensure that the Nightstop network delivers a safe, high quality service for young people and volunteers.

Hilary has been awarded the MBE for her work and she has been described as: I quote “Not only one of the most dynamic social reformers of our age but when it comes to getting results one of the most effective”.

It just shows what one individual can achieve and I feel honoured to know her and work with her.

Did you knowthat 34% of homeless people aged 18 – 25 committed a crime in the hope of being taken into custody.

If you or your family have a spare room, you could provide emergency accommodation for a young person aged 16-25 years who is homeless. This prevents young people from sleeping rough, "sofa surfing", or staying in unsuitable accommodation where they would be at risk of abuse. The use of spare rooms in a positive environment makes a huge difference to young people in crisis. All Hosts receive extensive training, back up helplines, information and advice.

Find out more about Bradford and Leeds ‘Nightstop’ via www.nightstop.co.uk or speak to Lynne Pearson.

The above is another example of work showing God’s compassion in reaching out to people on the edge of society. If you know of or support similar projects for vulnerable people in our area we would like to hear about them in the Messenger as part of our ‘Did you know?’ series.

Church Family News



Anne Wilkes

We are very sad to record the death of Anne Wilkes who died peacefully and gently at Wheatfields on the 23rd April. The nurse caring for her said her hand was on her Bible at the end.

Her funeral, which she planned, was held here at church on the 15th May, followed by refreshments in the hall.

Anne had been a member of our church for many years and had held an active role over this time as a Steward, Senior Steward, Communion Steward and Pastoral Visitor. She researched and wrote the history of our stained glass windows and this can be found in church and also on the church website.

Belated Birthday congratulations and blessings to Joan Bosomworth who celebrated her 70th birthday in May.

We welcomed David Martin as a new member to our Church on the 15th April. David is taking on the role of Assistant Steward from the beginning of June.

Birthday congratulations and blessings to Summer Lawrence who will celebrate her 12th birthday in June.

What do we know about Ramadan?

It is the 9th month of the Islamic Lunar calendar and began on Wednesday 16th May and ends on the 14th June. For 29/30 days depending on the moon, Muslims spend the daylight hours in complete fast, abstaining from all food and drink. It is a time to purify the soul, focus one's attention to Allah (God), practice self-discipline and sacrifice a time for reflection. The physical effects of fasting reminds Muslims not to be wasteful and to feel empathy for those who face hunger on a daily basis.

Muslims feel gratitude for the bounties of Allah: clean water, sufficient healthy food, comfort of a home, health of our family members and Ramadan is a time for Muslim's to give thanks to those less fortunate.

Ramadan Mubarak!



As you'll be aware I have been holding Dementia Friends sessions in the church over the last few months. These events have been open to the whole community of Bramhope and I've been really pleased with the response I've had. So far I've managed to make at least 36 new Dementia Friends!

As a church we have taken on board this initiative and I'm really grateful for the support I've received.

My next step is to work towards the church being recognised as a Dementia Friendly Church. We are already on our way to gaining this recognition but we need to find more ways to show that we are committed to this. For example we could:

- ✓ change some of the signage in the church so that it is more Dementia Friendly
- ✓ think about holding Dementia Friendly Services
- ✓ host a Dementia Friendly Café or
- ✓ even run Singing for the Brain sessions.

These are just ideas; if you have any further ideas or would like to get more involved please have a word with me.

My next Dementia Friends Sessions are:

Monday 11th June at 7:30 pm

Monday 2nd July at 10:30 am

For more information please contact me, Catherine Birkby on catherinebirkby@outlook.com or 07821 626500



THE STORY OF MARMALADE & JAMS

For many years now a familiar sight in the church hall has been the table with a selection of jams or marmalades, all for sale at £2.50 a jar.

How and when did it start? Pre 2006, difficult to remember exactly, but it came from whilst I was Treasurer at Oxford Place where they always had marmalade for sale. The jam, initially Damson, came about from a holiday in the Lakes where Damsons were on sale direct from farm orchards. All the fruit we use is either purchased fresh or grown locally. Our range has increased slightly since the early days and now includes Blackcurrant and two additional varieties of marmalade. We have also introduced a three pack selection of marmalades for purchase as gifts. This hopefully will have a selection of jams from the summer.

Over the last four years our marmalade has been entered into “The World’s Original Marmalade Festival” where every jar of marmalade (approximately 2,000 from all over the world) entered is tasted and given a mark. Over the years we have achieved three Bronze certificates and one merit. The elusive “silver” is still to come.

All proceeds from the sales go to Church. In the early years this has mainly been purchasing catering equipment, which has included the Bravilor Coffee machine used mainly at coffee shop, a 3.5ltr electric kettle, the Lincat Bain Marie hot cupboard and various items of the “Grasmere” crockery etc. Last year we donated £500 to church funds split between general funds and the organ appeal. This year, to date we have purchased 55 new china mugs for general use and hope to be able to make a contribution to church funds.

We thank you for your support in the past and hope you will continue purchasing our produce either at Church or by contacting us on 0113 267 8169.

Judith & Bernard Neville

Our Church Groups

MEETING POINT

**Every Thursday 2-4.00pm £2 entry (refreshments included)
£3 for wheelchair transportation (payable to OPAL)
Tea and Chat from 2.00 & Talks from 2.30pm**

Meeting Point is aimed at Older people, but all ages are welcome for conversation, refreshments and companionship.

**Bramhope Methodist Church and OPAL (Older People's Action in the Locality) working in partnership
Contact Opal 0113 2619103 for transport**

EWART'S HOUSE GROUP - ALL WELCOME

**The first and third Wednesdays of the month at 10.00am
(not meeting during July and August)**

All are welcome to join this ecumenical discussion group at Ewart's House. Take your own Bible passage, queries and doubts to the meetings to discuss with other members. Everyone has the opportunity to lead a discussion of their choice if they want.

As a multi-faith group meetings start with a glass of Sherry and finish about noon with a cup of Tea and a biscuit.

Please contact Ewart on 0113 2678001 for more information

SEQUENCE TEA DANCING - Mondays 2.00-4.00pm



Keep fit in a fun and friendly atmosphere
You don't need a partner, just enthusiasm
Refreshments and raffle prizes to be won every week
Contact Marjorie: 0113 2679802
New members always welcome and free dancing lessons are given at the start of each session.

MEN'S BRUNCH

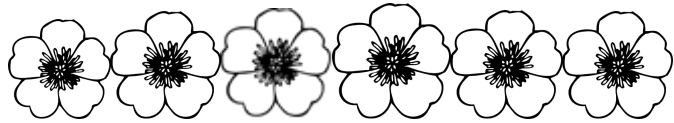
Monday: 25th June and 23rd July at 10.30am

Good Food, Conversation and Fellowship

ALL WELCOME

During Brunch - Ladies are invited to meet up for coffee, cake and conversation at the Loft

THURSDAY GROUP



Is on summer holiday break but will meet again on Thursday 13th September at 7.30pm.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME.

Please telephone Judith on 0113 2678169 for more information.

COFFEE SHOP

Every Tuesday in the Church Hall
between 10.00 and 12.00

Holy Communion is usually celebrated at 10.00am on the
2nd Tuesday of the month in the Low Room.



WALKING GROUP - NEW WALKERS ALWAYS WELCOME

Walks usually meet outside church at 9.30am for car sharing

Saturday 16th June

Saturday 14th July - Circuit Mission Walk

Telephone Margaret 2673143 for more details



WHO'S WHO? CHURCH CONTACT LIST



GROUPS		
FILM Club	Beryl Weatherley	2611751
THURSDAY Group	Judith Neville	2678169
WALKING Group	Margaret Fielding	2673143
MEETING Point	Ewart Lewis	2678001
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ALL WE CAN	Joan Bosomworth	2674198
Bible Reading Notes	Margaret Fielding	2673143
Caretaker	Michael Beard	2037170
Church Council Secretary	Vacancy	-
Church Weekly Notices	Susan Ward	01943 467517
Coffee Shop (Tuesdays)	Margaret Fielding	2673143
Coffee Rota (Sundays)	Betty Foster	2672906
Communion Steward	Avril Rollinson	2037590
Cradle Roll	Sarah Fletcher	2037090
Flower Rota	Gillian Acomb	2678773
Gift Aid Secretary	Bernard Neville	2678169
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Home Missions	Val Sykes	2842812
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Organist	Jack Foster	2672906
Outreach Committee	Joan Bosomworth	2674198
Overseas Missions	Joan Bosomworth	2674198
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Publicity Officer	Vacancy	-
Resources Committee	Jack Foster	2672906
Safeguarding Officer	Margaret Fielding	2673143
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Treasurer	Norman Sykes	2678332

PHOTOCOPY SERVICE – available on Sunday and
Tuesday mornings – or by arrangement

COLOUR or BLACK and WHITE

For a competitive price contact
Bernard Neville – telephone 0113-267 8169

THE CHURCH HALL and other ROOMS are
Available to hire at reasonable charges

For bookings please contact
Jack Foster – telephone 0113-267 2906
(terms and conditions apply)

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