# Hornsea United Reformed Church



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October 2016

SUNDAY 10.30 Morning Worship with Junior Church

for children of all ages, and crèche. Coffee etc. served at close of Worship.

Communion:1<sup>st</sup> Sunday evening at **6.30 p.m.**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday morning at **10.30 a.m.** 

Other Sunday evenings

6.30 p.m. Prayer and Praise

Tuesday: 9.15 to 11.30 'Open House' (in term-time)

7 p.m. Faith and Fellowship

Wednesday 2 p.m. Friendship Hour (5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>)

Thursday: 10 a.m. to noon Coffee Morning

Friday 6 pm & 7.30 p.m. Pilots (in term-time)

This Church is fitted with a Loop System For the benefit of the hard of hearing

**FUNERAL** 

18<sup>th</sup> August: 'Ted' Hatfield

**BIRTHDAYS** 

#### SOPHIE AKEHURST and NIKIA ASHMEAD

Sophie and Nikia will both become teenagers in October. In fact, Sophie is just one day older than Nikia, and will celebrate her thirteenth birthday on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October, and on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Nikia will join her as a teenager. We wish them both very Happy Birthdays as they look forward to what being attaining a notable landmark in their lives will mean to them

# **Hornsea Music Society**

#### **Ensemble Morfeo**

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October 7.30 p.m.

Live Music in Hornsea URC, the home of Hornsea Music Society

# The 'Keep a Girl in School' project in Watoto

Mandy and Tony Hood would like to thank everyone who helped/supported their fund raising event for Shirley Crawford's work with the women and children of northern Uganda. An amazing amount of £3,015.00 was raised.

Shirley said "this is an unbelievable achievement. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard, you are incredible".

#### Harvest Festival

What a wonderful display of produce greeted us at our Harvest Festival. Much of it was down to Suzanne Richardson who gathered it all in from the allotment holders, plus the artist talents of Mandy Hood and Heather Raw who worked their magic on such a magnificent creation. Ladies, you certainly transformed our Church. Thank you.

[You can see pictures of the gardener snoozing in his deckchair after a Harvest well garnered on Hornsea URC Facebook page]

#### The New Student Year

As a new Academic Year gets under way in earnest, we remember all those students whose way of life moves on.

From university students, through secondary and primary school years, right down to the little ones joining nursery for the first time, they and their families are in our prayers.

#### And .....

Well done Ellen Clifton, and Mum Julia, who won a BBC Pointless trophy each, and a cash prize on the edition of the BBC1 programme broadcast on 13<sup>th</sup> September,

Ellen and Julia have been keeping the secret ever since it was recorded a year ago. It made exciting viewing!

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#### Dear Friends

This page of our Newsletter has always been reserved for Jamie's thoughts but now in order to fill a vacant space the Elders have now been invited to share their thoughts on any topic of their choosing.

Being first alphabetically it had fallen to me to start the ball rolling but how to follow Jamie is my dilemma.

There is no doubt he will be sadly missed as he has been our figure head for the last nineteen years and has transformed this church into the warm and welcoming place it is today with strong connections to the community.

He has led by example, never been short of ideas and never been shy of being hands on.

He has left us a wonderful legacy, a firm foundation on which we as Elders must build and reach out even further to our community for we cannot rest on our laurels and allow complacency to take hold. We are known as the friendly church, we are certainly the pinkest church. Our doors are always open to all who wish to enter for whatever reason.

Jamie had given much deep thought to the delegation of key jobs to the Elders and it is humbling to think that he has such faith in us to take on these extra responsibilities which has also made us all realise just how much he has done for our church.

I liken this to Jesus preparing his disciples to carry on his work spreading the word of God after his departure.

The Elders, your Elders, elected by you, the church membership, will do their best to uphold all the values we hold so dear within our church family but this can only be achieved with your help, support and prayers. It will be a challenging time but we are here to serve; to administer the running of our church; to listen and administer pastoral care; to welcome visitors and visiting preachers, of whom we shall have quite a few. Whatever their style of worship and delivery of sermon we will make them welcome and be thankful that they are willing to come to Hornsea during our period of vacancy.

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This will be a time of change which some may find unsettling for we are all creatures of habit and become accustomed to certain routines. When a routine is interrupted we are inclined to feel uneasy but please rest assured that we will endeavour to keep business as usual.

It will be an even bigger period of change for Jamie, Fran, Katie, Sarah and Peter with not just a new home but new jobs and a new college. Our thoughts and prayers go with Jamie and the family to their new life in the metropolitan jungle of Sheffield. This is a family we have seen grow in number and it has been a delight to watch the children develop. I remember Fran as a bit of a stroppy teenager but I think it is safe to say the girl has turned out alright!

We ask God to walk beside them and us as we all face a new challenge and a new adventure.

June Barton

# **Looking Forward to Worship**

I hope you have enjoyed exploring the set readings which Roots and many churches have been following in August and September. As I said last month, very often they coincide with what our preacher chooses, and if they don't, it's always good to have suggested texts to investigate.

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October: 2: Luke 17: 5-10 Habakkuk 1: 1-4, 2: 1-4
9: Luke 17; 11-19 2 Kings 5: 1-3, 7-15c
16: Luke 18: 1-8 Genesis 32: 22-31
23: Luke 18: 9-14 Jeremiah 14: 7-10, 19-22
30: Luke 19: 1-10 Isaiah 1: 10-18
Nov 6: Luke 20: 27-48 Job 19: 23-27a
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Our leaders of worship for October will range from an act of worship led by the Elders on 2<sup>nd</sup> and a Communion service with Steven Knapton on 9<sup>th</sup>. On 16<sup>th</sup> we welcome James Greig of The Leprosy Mission for a return visit,, and Jill Fletcher will conduct a 'mini-series' on 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. At present she is being a bit mysterious about her plans – we will have to wait and see. In November we welcome a visitor from afar,.

Pauline Mewis, of Flowergate URC, Whitby, and well known in the District and Synod for her work in many fields, especially organising many Rallies at

Scarborough Spa which our folk have enjoyed. We pray for all these people as they lead us in worship

# **Prayer Book**

The September Church Meeting agreed that our Book of Prayer Requests should be left permanently on the Memorial Table in the North Transept so members and friends could add their requests at any time, and they could be passed to the Prayer Action Group, and also be incorporated into the Intercessions each Sunday. They can also give their requests to the Duty Elders in the Hall before Sunday Worship. Late requests will be noted in Family Time.

#### News from the FRSC

#### **June Barton**

On Carnival Saturday we thought we would try a Table Top Sale thinking there would be plenty of people about but unfortunately not all of our table were booked, however, our tombola and bric-a-brac stalls did quite well but the cafe did even better. Someone upstairs must have been smiling on us as we did manage to raise £371.54 for our church funds.

The band concert the following day brought in £11.53 while the concert on Sunday 21 August brought in £12.70.

Our funds have been given a tremendous boost from Mandy Hood's mammoth sale when she generously donated £400 to the church with the bulk of the money going to the 'Keep a girl in school' project in Uganda. Well done Mandy and thank you so much.

When you start a new venture you are never sure how things will work out and this is how it was with our Angel Festival. Although all the shops we approached were initially enthusiastic alas not all of them managed to hide an angel in their windows. Part of the Angel Trail was to nominate your favourite angel and the Real Aid Charity Shop came out on top with the Flower Box second and Vernon Gallery highly commended for <u>all</u> the angels in their window.

Our workshop had about a dozen children who were excited about making angel wings and going into the park for a test flight, in between the showers, for these feathers do not work as well when damp. Flight was aided by the use of the zip wire in the children's play area although I suspect not all the angels were children! With a new venture there are always a few teething problems but we have learned a few tips for next time; however, our efforts did earn us £273.60.

The joint Fashion Show with the Lions cannot fail to be an entertaining occasion particularly with Steven Knapton as our compère. He claims to have no knowledge of the fashion world and yet manages to deliver such amusing comments about the garments and the models with such aplomb that we all fall about laughing.

The models are to be congratulated on their enthusiasm and energy managing to change so quickly and for braving the catwalk so determinedly. Many thanks to Steven and to Jean Robinson without whose help the show would never have got on the road.

Those of you who like chocolate should take note that on **Saturday 8 October from 2.00- 4.00pm** you will be pleased to know we are holding a another **Chocolate Afternoon** when all manner of fruits and sweets can be dipped into the chocolate fountain which will be oozing delicious Belgian chocolate (nothing but the best) for you to enjoy. Admission is just £3.00 plus an extra £1 if you fancy a second dip in the fountain. Chocolate cakes, a raffle and drinks will also be available. This is definitely an event for all chocoholics!

**Saturday 22 October is our autumn Table Top Sale 10.00am – 3.00pm** and table hire still remains at £6.00. Book your table as soon as you can to avoid disappointment.

The fundraising team would be grateful for suitable tombola and raffle prizes plus any small item to put into children's shoe boxes. Also any festive decorations would be welcome, for Christmas is coming.....oh yes it is!

**Advance notice:** the theme for **Lights' Night (Friday 25 November 6.00- 8.00pm)** will be Angels, so any decorations you can make or donate will be graciously received.

The Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 26 November 10.00am – 3.00pm again table hire at £6.00 and all manner of crafts, wrapped presents (suitably labelled) would be most welcome.

# Helping people who can't see too well

North Holderness Churches Together is holding a free half day training opportunity 'An Introduction to Visual Impairment' at Hornsea Methodist Church on **Tuesday 4**th **October** at 9.30 a.m

There are around 12,000 people with severe sight loss living in the East Riding. One person in five aged 75 and over has this impairment. More than half live alone and have little contact with family or friends leading to loneliness and depression.

This course offers church leaders and members the opportunity to enhance their knowledge and understanding of sight loss and explore how churches might better support people by planning how they can journey with them.

The topics will include:

Levels of Vision

Causes and Effects of Sight Loss

Communication, Guiding and Services

A Christian Response

For further information or to book a free place, please contact David Radford on 535914 or email <a href="mailto:david.radford743@btinternet.com">david.radford743@btinternet.com</a>

# Friendship Hour

October is a busy month for the Friendship Hour. On **Wednesday 5**th they will join members of other East Yorkshire United Reformed Churches at St. Ninian's and St. Andrew's URC in Chanterlands Avenue in Hull for the annual Mission and Care Rally. Transport will be arranged, and afternoon tea will be available for everyone.

The following week, on **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October** the meeting, starting at 2 p.m., will be entertained by Hornsea's well –known Shoreline Singers and a good time will be had by all.

The final meeting in October is on **Wednesday 19**<sup>th</sup> when Steve and Debbie Seal will be telling you all about the young people's 'Frontier Camp' this summer. Again at 2 p.m., and, as usual followed by tea and chat-time.

#### **Shoeboxes**

The Shoebox 'season' is here again, and folk are beavering away collecting gifts for their boxes. The final day for handing in your gifts for children in Eastern European countries will be **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November**, when the Methodists will join us in our Church. So there is still plenty of time for preparation. If you have any comments or queries, please speak to Kathy Webb

#### Welcome

Each Sunday everyone who comes to our Church is welcomed by our 'Meet and Greet' team. This is a delightful task, giving rise to the chance to know people a little better or chat to newcomers.

If you feel you would like to explore what this is about, that would be lovely. Please have a word with Jane, Marion or Sarah.

Do you use our website? If not, you might have missed something, especially photographs of people and happenings, on our webpage, www.hornseaurc.org.uk

If you've been reading our newsletter online and no longer need a paper copy, (each signatory saves a twig off a tree!) please email Jane on jane.martin303@btinternet.com or have a word with Marion or Jane in Church.

#### Where have we been this summer?

Every Sunday in Family Time we share our postcards with our friends, and then we save them so we can remember the times of rest and relaxation spent away from Hornsea. These used to be on a Notice board on the Church wall, but were fairly inaccessible to read and enjoy, so now they have their own book in the south transept (the one with the piano), usually to be found on the low Coffee table.

If you're going on holiday soon, please send your postcard to Kathy Webb, 43, New Road, Hornsea HU18 1PH - or if it is addressed to the Church it will be delivered to Kathy's house anyway(though we know some of you finds the post so slow these days you bring them back with you)

# .....Our Who's Who - past and present

In the South transept you will also find a book containing our Church, our real Church, the one made up of all our members, adherents and friends who also worship with us regularly. Remind yourselves who we are, or if you have noticed a face in Church lately, but can't put a name to it? No need to admit it – just go to the book and look it up!

Remember we had a 'Rogues' Gallery' of all the ministers in the history of Hornsea Congregational, now United Reformed Church. These are being remounted and look exceedingly impressive. It is hoped to fix them on the wall in the next few weeks so they can look down on our 2016 congregation! Do visit them.

# **Dates for Singing in the Residential Homes**

The Promenade: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> at 2.30 p.m.

Stuart House: Tuesday 11th at 3 p.m.

Summercourt Hall: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 2 p.m.

# Prayer Network - Prayers for Concern in October

Elders' Day

The Work of Traidcraft

East Yorkshire Rally

Friendship Hour

#### Reform

If you are interested in reading the United Reformed Church's national magazine 'Reform' and have not done so before, please have a word with Jane. There is a subscription – there are ten copies a year – for either the paper copy, or at a slightly lesser price, online. Just ask.

# **Bible Reading Notes**

Already we are reaching the time of year when we are having to think about replacing our diaries, and the Bible Reading Notes booklets are running out soon.

Several of us have used the Notes provided by the International Bible Reading Association for many years and if you are interested in trying them, do ask Jane. There is now an online version available too. With a separate reading and thought for each day of the year, they are very good value for money. Email jane.martin303@btinternet .com if you can't catch up with her in Church.

# Woman's World Day of Prayer

# **Margaret Knapton**

Unfortunately there will not be a WWDP Preparation Day at Toll Gavel United Church, Beverley this year due to a lack of leadership. These have always been well attended and a useful insight to the WWDP Service in held on the first Friday in March.

<><< from page 11 Our local team, comprising of people from every church in Hornsea, will meet to plan and discuss the service and if you would like to be a part of this please have a word with me. i will be delighted to let you have all the details.

#### **Traidcraft**

# **Margaret Knapton**

Traidcraft have just published their annual review which shows a marked improvement on the previous years' trading results – showing a modest profit. But Traidcraft are about much more than profits and market share and the bit that really interests me is their producer support and innovation.

The Producer Support and Innovation Programme exists to help the producers of products that Traidcraft PLC sells in ways that go beyond a simple trading relationship.

They do this through two streams...

#### **SUPPORT**

They provide development support for producer groups – helping them to improve working conditions, develop new products and access new markets.

#### INNOVATION

They pioneer new fair trade products and set an example to others by showing how an ethically-run business can have a huge positive impact on the poor and marginalised.

There are several projects running at any one time and funding for these is sourced from a variety of providers - the first one I would like to feature has been funded by the European Union and over the next few months I will report on four other projects which are making a huge impact on the lives and prospects of thousands of 'forgotten' people.

#### THE SMALL TEA GROWERS OF SOUTH ASIA

The EqualiTEA project is extremely wide reaching. Together with local partners (Centre for Education and Communication, India and Bikash, Bangladesh) we're supporting small tea growers in five states in India – and even stretching across into Northern Bangladesh. This five year project has recently come to an end and even at this early stage of evaluation, we are starting to see some really significant results. Here are some of the highlights...

# **Group formation**

A tea grower working alone on a small plot of land has little to no bargaining power. But the EqualiTEA project has supported **51,700 tea growers** to organise themselves into groups so that they can increase their influence, share knowledge and negotiate the best price for their crops.

# **Training**

More than **10,000** small tea growers have participated in training on the technical management of tea farming, marketing and the organisation of effective producer groups.

# Representation

Small tea growers now maintain a stronger relationship with the Tea Board of India. The project has been instrumental in getting the needs of small tea growers on the national agenda.

#### Incomes

Our external evaluation estimates that the incomes of EqualiTEA tea growers in India have risen by an average of 87%, due to both the project effects and a favourable national tea price. While in Bangladesh, project participants - who themselves are new to tea growing – have experienced an average income increase of more than 200% As a result of small tea growers working in an organised and coordinated way, tea traders have had to increase the price they pay fo for tea to compete in the market place. This benefits all >>> page 14

<<< page 13 the small tea growers in the area – not just those involved in the project.

#### Scale

The project has had a major impact on India's tea sector as a whole – as shown by these statistics...

The tea growers participating in the project are responsible for more than **10%** of India's total tea production.

It's brilliant that the people who grow so much of India's tea are now working together, receiving better prices and actively improving their farming and business skills.

**25%** of the estimated small tea growers in the whole of India are covered by this project.

**FERN** (Fairtrade East Riding Network)

# A CEILIDH led by the Whitby Woollybacks

on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at Toll Gavel United Church Hall, Beverley between 7.00 – 10.00 pm

Adults £10, Children £5 (family ticket £25)

– including a Fairtrade Supper.

Hope to have a good crowd from Hornsea – if you would like a ticket please see Margaret Knapton – transport may be arranged.

#### November Newsletter.

If you are thinking of putting something in the next Newsletter, please speak to Sarah or Jane **NOW** so space can be reserved. After the deadline is too late to save space. Last date **THURSDAY 13 OCTOBER.** Issue available Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Please give your material to Sarah or Jane or e mail to jane.martin303@btinternet.com or <a href="mailto:sarah.darlington538@gmail.com">sarah.darlington538@gmail.com</a>

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Wednesday 2 2 p.m. Friendship Hour: Annual General Meeting

Sunday 6 11.45 a.m. Quarterly Church Meeting

Celebrating 10 years of Hornsea being a Fair Trade Town

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Fairtrade Evening Menu Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October – 7.30 pm £20.00 per person

Starter
Carrot and Parsnip Soup
Duxelle, Yoghurt and Tahini Dips with Breads and oils

Main The Ultimate Fish Pie Lamb hotpot w herby dumplings Vegetable Biryani (vegetarian option)

Sweet Banoffee Pie and Ice cream Griddled Pineapple with Syllabub

Fairly traded products will be used wherever possible Along with locally sourced foods

Early booking essential Contact 10 Coffee Shop, Market Place, Hornsea O1964 537999

SUNDAY	2	10.30 a.m. Elders' Service 6.30 p.m. Communion
	9	10.30 a.m. Rev. Steven Knapton: Communion
	16	10.30 a.m. James Greig: The Leprosy Mission
	23	10.30 a.m. Mrs. Jill Fletcher
	30	10.30 a.m. Mrs. Jill Fletcher
	Eveni	ings (except 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) at 6.30 p.m. Prayer and Prayer

#### **And into November**

**Sunday 6** 10.30 a.m. Mrs Pauline Mewis
Flowergate, Whitby URC
6.30 p.m. Communion

#### **Events in October**

Saturday Tuesday	1 4	Elders' Day 9.30 a.m.at Methodist Church – Introduction to Visual Impairment - Training Opportunity - all welcome. Book a free place with David Radford. (See page 8 for full details)
Wednesday	5	East Yorkshire Rally in Hull (see page 8)
Saturday	8 -	2 - 4pm Chocolate Afternoon at Church
Monday	10	2.30 p.m. Singing at The Promenade
Tuesday	11	3 p.m. Singing at Stuart House
Wednesday	12	2 p.m. Friendship Hour: The Shoreline Singers 7.30 p.m. Elders' Meeting
Thursday	13	7.30 p.m. Elders and Methodist Stewards meet at Methodist Church
Wednesday	21	2 p.m. Friendship Hour: Frontier Camps
Saturday	22	9.30 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. Local Market Cinema St
•		10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Table Top Sale and
		Living Well Café
		10 a.m. East Yorkshire Mission and Care Group
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Sunday	30	1 a.m. British Summer Time ends. Clocks go back one hour

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