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SUNDAY 10.30 Morning Worship with Junior Church

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

Communion: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday at 10.30 a.m.

6.30 **Evening Worship** 

> 1st Sunday at Methodist Church 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday evening in our Church (includes Communion)

Other Sunday evenings: No service

'Open House' Tuesday: 9.15 to 11.30

> 7 p.m. Faith and Fellowship

Wednesday Friendship Hour 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>) 2 p.m.

Thursday: 10 a.m. to noon Coffee Morning Friday 6.00 to 7.30 p.m. Pilots (in term-time)

# Lectionary

Love and blessing - Genesis 2.18-24; 7 October:

Hebrews 1.1-4, 2.5-12;

Mark 10.2-16

14 October: Unexpected answers - Amos 5.6-7,10-15;

Hebrews 4.12-16:

Mark 10 17-31

Isaiah 53.4-12; 21 October: Power games -

Hebrews 5.1-10:

Mark 10.35-45

28 October: Unconventional discipleship - Jeremiah 31.7-9;

Hebrews 7.23-28;

Mark 10.46-52

4 November: Listen! - Deuteronomy 6.1-9;

Hebrews 9.11-14;

Mark 12.28-34

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#### **Back to School**

I write this as the holidays come to an end and children return to school. There is something good about getting back into familiar routines isn't there? It makes us feel comfortable. Yet even within the familiar routines there are new things to learn and experience, maybe worry and feel uncomfortable with. As we start our own 'new term' at church, I thought the following lines from something I have been reading were apt: -

When you live in the past With its mistakes and regrets It is hard. I am not there. My name is not 'I WAS'

When you live in the future With its problems and fears It is hard. I am not there My name is not 'I WILL BE'

When you live in the moment It is not hard. I am here.

My name is I AM'

I know that some of the Psalms were written to be used by God's people on their way to worship. As we face new challenges together, could I encourage you to say the following- with the emphasis on the first word! –

<u>This</u> is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Psalm 118 verse 24)

Jean Barrett

#### Thank You

Dear Friends,

We wish to thank you all for the prayers and loving support we have received since Frank had his operation on the 17<sup>th</sup> July. We were overwhelmed by the phone calls, messages, cards and offers of help.

Most of all, your prayers uplifted us and helped us through a very stressful period.

Loving thought and God's Blessings,

Joan and Frank.

Robin and I spent a wonderful week with the family celebrating our anniversary.

Thank you for the plant and especially thank you for your prayers, they truly were answered.

Bless you all,

Margaret Webster

### **Memorial Service**

Paul Banbury 5<sup>th</sup> Sept 2018

## **Funeral**

David Richardson 13th Sept 2018

What was it about Paul that made all of us who knew him feel he was so very special? As the memorial service to celebrate his life revealed there was far more to the gentle man than he was ever prepared to talk about.

Paul was a good scholar as was apparent from an early age. He passed the eleven plus and attended his local grammar school. Here he showed a remarkable gift for languages. To the end of his life he was intrigued by dialects and accents and it was one of the challenges he set himself to work out which part of the world or country from which you came.

Leaving school he became a successful international business man but this did not satisfy his life's desires. The answer he found was Jesus. For the rest of his life he sought to share his love of Jesus with everyone he met. He went to All Nations Bible college and from there became a missionary based at St. Andrews college in Paraguay. His linguistic talents were fully employed but so were the gifts of truly listening and his genuine interest in the person to whom he was speaking. As a result he made life long friendships as he had the ability to make everyone he spoke to feel special regardless of who they were. He would start up conversations with anyone who looked lonely and his love for them was the reflection of the love Jesus has for us all. Not for nothing was the church full to hear his faith proclaimed. Whether it was words and actions when bus driving or working as a carer Paul was always motivated by his love of Jesus.

He loved classical cars and was adept at repairing them. He had an innate sense of where there were free parking spaces. He had a great love of food being particularly partial to a Chinese buffet, a good carvery but especially fish and chips. His sense of humour found full expression in decorating a bus for his daughter's birthday but also being thrilled by the thunder and lightening when camping whilst the rest of the family were far from impressed. He loved warm sun and sandy beaches and had an affection for dogs which sometimes extended to him owning one.

He was immensely proud of his family, his daughters Sarah and Rosie. He rejoiced in being the father of the bride and was thrilled they shared his deep love of Jesus as did his sons-in-law. Attending the wedding reception with a carvery buffet was the icing on the cake.

Paul brought to our fellowship a faith that was proclaimed in word and action. He made time to support and enhance the prayer network

which enabled him to be at the heart of our fellowship even when shift patterns made attending Sunday worship difficult. He was a great encourager with a quiet word to reassure a hesitant preacher that all was indeed well. His genuine love of people softened many hard hearts and fanned stuttering sparks into confident flames. His unfailing faith meant he had no fear of death rather he rejoiced that he would be at peace with his Saviour and Lord Jesus Christ. He longed for all to know the love that he had found and all his life was lived to that end. He knew he was a sinner, he gloried that in Jesus he was a saint. Truly we do thank God for Paul and all the ways he has blessed us.

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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#### News from the FRSC

The Carnival Tombola and Cafe proved popular with many people thankful for a place to sit and enjoy some refreshments and although there was a pause when the parade passed by, business once again resumed. At the end of the day we had amassed £450.55 as a result of our fundraising efforts. Thank you to all our cake bakers and sandwich filling donators and also to our helpers, we could not manage without you.

Once again Mandy has managed to astound us all with the amount of money raised from her two day sale. With every conceivable space taken up for the storage of every conceivable item collected over the past year, the house and garage must now seem empty – but how long for? £410.40 was donated to the church fundraising! **Thank you.** 

On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> August, Bikers Weekend, we had a stall outside for bric-a-brac whilst in the cafe we thought we would include hot bacon rolls on our menu as well as our usual array of sandwiches and sausage rolls. These were selling like – well, hot bacon rolls – so much so that extra supplies had to be purchased. It is safe to say they were extremely well received! The final total amounted to £244.48

Once again the fundraising team would welcome donations of both raffle and tombola prizes to help us in our work. Wrapped gifts for our £1 Gift Stall are also required for out Christmas Fayre which will be on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November from 10.00am to 2.00pm.

Needless to say cakes and sandwich fillings will be welcomed as well as our wonderful helpers. It is hoped we will have a stall full of homemade gifts and items perhaps you received as a gift that are in good condition but are no longer of use to you. All donations will be gratefully received. This is your chance to shop early for Christmas and avoid the rush without travelling out of town.

June Barton

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#### Uganda and Mozambique women and children's projects

A big heart felt thank you to everyone who helped, donated and supported the fundraising weekend. - A terrific £2,700 was raised. Tony and I are so blessed to have amazing family and friends to help with the event.

#### £1,000 has been sent to Shirley Crawford in Uganda.

A very grateful Shirley wrote.- "thank you isn't enough to express how grateful I am to you and all your amazing team for this incredible gift, which will make a huge difference in the lives of the women and children of Northern Uganda.

I know how hard you all work to make this happen and I hope you all go to bed happy, knowing that your effort has been to change lives out here.

Love Shirley

#### £1,000 has been sent to Laura Monahan in Mozambique.

Laura wrote.- "Oh my goodness. We are lost for words! Except we can't thank you enough! I (Laura) have tears in my eyes! This is an incredible provision, thank you!

It'll go a long way to helping us buy what's needed to set up the Liberty cafe. You are such a blessing to us and these women have a chance at much brighter futures because of your generosity and because you stand with us in this vision.

Thank you, thank you from the bottom of our hearts."

## Laura also sent a special thank you to the church.

"Thank you Hornsea United Reformed Church for being so incredible and letting Mandy Hood and her team use your facilities!!! We are so grateful for you all. We are one step closer to bringing Liberty cafe to life.! This cafe will provide training and employment for local women in Pemba, helping create sustainable hope-filled and free futures.

God bless you and everyone who was part of this fundraising."

With love, Laura

The tombola was for Emma's wish. Thank you to everyone who gave the prizes, we had over 200, so were able to run the tombola over the two days. A fabulous £300 was taken. Emma's father Jon was thrilled and said they were over half way to the £40,000 goal.

We were also able to give the church £400. Without the church's support none of this would be possible.

Thank you, Mandy.

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#### **Hornsea URC Christmas Post**

Hornsea URC has been running this Postal Service since 1981, the first year it was legally possible to do so.

It is a very helpful service to a lot of people outside the church and well used. It also spreads the word about our church.

Over the next couple of weeks we would like to find out if it will be possible to do the Christmas Card Delivery this year – we need to consider the number of volunteers available to sort and deliver the cards as well as the impact it makes in the town and on the church. We would appreciate it if you would put this in your prayers and let Margaret Knapton or any Elder know if you are able to help.

Thank you.

#### It's Shoebox time!

Hornsea URC and the Methodist church have given amazing support over many years to the Shoe Box appeal which is doing impressive work around the globe. In 2016 (the most recent figures to hand) 11,486,773 shoe boxes were distributed to 109 countries and territories around the world.



Places like Estonia, Lithuania, Nepal, the Philippines, Honduras, Ecuador to name but a few. Just think of all those smiling faces! There are two ways you can support Operation Christmas Child:- one is to collect items for a shoe box and either make a box up or pass on your items to someone else to fill one OR make a donation of money – it costs £5 to send a shoe box, this includes the cost of collection, processing, shipping and training for the people who take the shoe boxes out.

All Shoe Boxes will need to be completed and in church for the service on the 18<sup>th</sup> November.

If you would like to find out more have a word with Kathy Webb or visit - www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/

Thank you all for your generosity.

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

The Promenade: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 2 p.m. Stuart House: Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 2 p.m. Summercourt Hall: Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 2 p.m.

**Friendship Hour** There are two fantastic meetings this month with Sue Woodcock, a most engaging speaker, talking through and demonstrating the delights of spinning on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October and our very talented, Heather Raw, amazing us with flowers on the 17<sup>th</sup> October – these along with fantastic company make the URC the place to be on a Wednesday afternoon – why not invite a friend or neighbour!

Hornsea Music Society
Ronald and Nigel Willoughby
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October 7.30 p.m.

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

### **Remembrance Sunday**

THE ROYAL BRITISH

LEGION

This year is the centenary of the end of the First World War (2014 to 2018) and, in Hornsea, to commemorate this there will be a Centenary Service at 9.30 a.m. at the Parish church followed by a procession to the Memorial Gardens where a short service of remembrance and wreath laying will take place from 10.50 a.m.

At the URC, to enable those who want to mark this occasion, we are proposing to serve tea/coffee from 10.00am and then hold a simple communion service at the conclusion of the events in the Memorial Gardens – approximately 11.25 a.m.

# The Pastoral well being of our church.

We belong to an amazing fellowship of people who genuinely care for each other. I can be confident in saying that every single person will have visited, helped, rung or prayed for another member of the church this week and over many weeks.

We as an eldership are tasked with many things and one of these is "to ensure pastoral care for the congregation, in which the minister is joined by elders having responsibility for groups of members".

We discussed this at some length at the September elders meeting. In the past we all held a list of members and adherents. Some elders are skilled at pastoral visiting and have flexibility of time to be effective visitors, others do not have such skills and may have restrictions on their time which makes visiting difficult. This was not such an issue when the minister covered many of the pastoral needs of the congregation and comments like "I have not had a visit from the church" indicates that there are gaps in our pastoral provision. We cannot and must not let people in need down. So ....

We would like the whole church to think and pray about this opportunity and discuss it further at the church meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> November.

# All Hallows Eve



We will be outside the church inviting people to say a prayer for those they love.

#### A Plea for HELP

Jean and I attended a Traidcraft Roadshow in Haxby last night (11<sup>th</sup> Sept.) and what we heard has prompted me to write this plea. The main hall looked amazing with the whole of the Autumn, Winter and Christmas stock on display – it is really helpful to see the stock 'in the flesh' as it were, when you can appreciate the quality and craftsmanship far better than pictures in a book.

There were samples of new products to taste – and of course it would have been rude not to!

But the disturbing part of the evening was the talk by Matt Oliver– the Community Sales Manager at Traidcraft.

He had a very stark message to give – in that Traidcraft is in serious financial difficulties.

The company was set up forty years ago by three graduates who were convinced that trade was an effective tool to reduce and even eradicate poverty. Over the years Traidcraft have been major players in developing the Fairtrade movement which has established international principles of trade where no sector in the production chain is exploited.

Over the years Traidcraft has changed the lives of tens of thousands of people across the world, lifting them out of poverty and giving them a voice and stake in their futures. Whole areas have been transformed with the benefits of better health care, education, water security and communication links. You will have read about many of these over the past 25 to 30 years of Traidcraft reports in the Church Newsletter. But like many retailers they are in turbulent times – all their stock is purchased in dollars and with the onset of Brexit the exchange rate has become very poor, sales of their main stream Geobar have fallen in line with the upsurge of Vegan and Gluten free products and although Traidcraft produce some of these the supermarkets are now much more competitive and demand up to 60% discount on products as well as expecting the supplier to fund any promotions in store.

Traidcraft have put in place several cost cutting measures and are now having to look at staff redundancies – a very difficult thing for a Christian organisation to have to do.

The only sustainable answer is to increase sales and that is where you and I come in.

## This is my plea:-

- That everyone who reads this will make a conscious effort to buy, on a regular basis if they can, something from the Traidcraft catalogue.
- 2) That they will recruit at least one more person to do the same.
- 3) That they will pray for all the staff and producer groups who work with Traidcraft.

THANK YOU

# A FAIR CHRISTMAS PREVIEW EVENING

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October
Tickets £5

(including glass of wine and nibbles)

ALL PURCHASES AND ORDERS PLACED ON THE EVENING WILL RECEIVE 10% DISCOUNT

What better way to give twice

# A FAIR CHRISTMAS

Saturday 20th October FREE ENTRY

100'S OF FAIRLY TRADED GOODS TO PURCHASE OR ORDER.



## Prayer Network - Prayers for Concern in October

Worship at Hornsea United Reformed Church
People who live on their own – now that darker nights are here
All displaced people around the world

**November Newsletter** If you are thinking of putting something in the next Newsletter, please speak to Margaret or Jane **NOW** so space can be reserved. After the deadline is too late to save space.

The last date is Wednesday **10**<sup>th</sup> **October.** This Newsletter should be available on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October, and sooner on the church website.

Please give or email material to <u>jane.martin303@btinternet.com</u> or s.knapton749@btinternet.com Thank you

**Traidcraft Exchange** is the campaign arm of Traidcraft. They highlight injustice and exploitation of workers as well as fighting for fairness in trade.

They are running a campaign at the moment called 'Who picked my tea?' They are focusing on tea workers in Assam in northern India and calling on the 'Big 6' brands to tell us: who picked my tea?

Maloti spoke to researchers from Traidcraft Exchange about her life working on a tea estate in Assam, in north-east India. 'I wake up at 5am, then I do the household chores like sweeping, dish washing and cooking. I have breakfast and have to report for duty at 8am.'

Tea workers' wages are agreed centrally and should include services like housing, sanitation, clinics and primary schools as well as a cash wage. But as Maloti explains, this isn't enough. 'I have been working since 2003. Working for a daily wage of 137 rupees (£1.50). We don't get the benefits we are supposed to get. There is no toilet. I have to go outside in the open. They don't repair the houses. We register complaints to the management, they note it down, but ... they give no importance.'

Between them the 'Big 6' tea companies have more than 76% of the tea market:- PG Tips (18.1% of the market), Twinings (17.6%), Tetley (13.4%), Yorkshire (10.8%), Typhoo (4%) and Clipper (3.6%)

The tea workers in Assam face many complex issues – but one common thread is that no one takes responsibility for their situation. UK tea brands need to start being part of the solution, not part of the problem. An important first step the brands could take right now is to tell us which estates in Assam they buy from.

Transparency like this would help open up the secretive world of teabuying. It would shine a light on exploitation and mean that consumers – and more importantly people in Assam – could hold companies to account.

More than a thousand people have emailed or sent postcards to the 'Big 6' UK tea brands and asked them to publish where they buy their tea this pressure is already reaping dividends with Yorkshire Tea and Twinings publishing lists of their suppliers — just four to go ... If you would like to support this campaign and help to improve the conditions for workers in Assam please go to <a href="https://action.traidcraft.org.uk/who-picked-my-tea">https://action.traidcraft.org.uk/who-picked-my-tea</a> or send a postcard (available in church or at the Traidcraft stall on Thursday's coffee morning).

Thank you.

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SUNDAY	7	reversion recommendation
		6.30 p.m Joint Worship @ Methodist church
	14	10.30 a.m. Eddie Marsden: Communion
	21	10.30 a.m. Worship Team
		6.30 p.m. Joint Communion in our Church
	28	10.30 a.m. Worship Team

## **And into November**

**Sunday 4** 10.30 a.m. Worship Team
6.30 p.m. Joint Worship in the Methodist Church

## **Events in October**

Monday	1	2 p.m. Singing at The Promenade
Tuesday	2	2 p.m. Singing at Stuart House
Wednesday	3	2.p.m. Friendship Hour: delights of spinning.
Thursday	4	2 p.m. Singing at Summercourt Hall
Friday	5	12 p.m. Celebration of Living Well
Saturday	6	10 a.m. Elders' Day
Wednesday	10	7.30 p.m Elders' Meeting
Friday	12	10.30 a.m. Churches Together
Wednesday	17	2 p.m. Friendship Hour: Heather/Flowers
Friday	19	7.30 p.m. Fair Christmas Preview Evening
Saturday	20	10 a.m 2.30 p.m. A Fair Christmas
Sunday	28	1 a.m. British Summer Time ends.
-		Clocks go back one hour

# ... and November

Saturday	3	10 a.m 2.00p.m. Church Christmas Fayre
Sunday	4	11.45 a.m. Quarterly Church Meeting
Wednesday	7	2.p.m. Friendship Hour AGM – Steven
Saturday	10	10.a.m2 p.m. Quiet Day
Sunday	11	* see notice Remembrance Sunday
Sunday	18	10.30 a.m. Shoe Box Service
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