## **Hornsea United Reformed Church Newsletter July 2023**



The Sermon on the Mount is by far Jesus' longest explanation of what it looks like to live as His follower and to serve as a member of God's Kingdom. In many ways, Jesus' teachings during the Sermon on the Mount represent the major ideals of the Christian life.

For example, Jesus taught about subjects such as prayer, justice, care for the needy, handling the religious law, divorce, fasting, judging other people, salvation, and much more. The Sermon on the Mount also contains both the Beatitudes (Matthew 5:3-12) and the Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13).

Jesus' words are practical and concise; He was truly a master orator.

In the end, Jesus made it clear that His followers should live in a noticeably different way than other people because His followers should hold to a much higher standard of conduct -- the standard of love and selflessness that Jesus Himself would embody when He died on the cross for our sins.

#### Worship services-

Sunday July 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.30 a.m. Love your enemies (followed by Church Lunch)

Sunday July 9<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Giving to the needy (service includes Holy Communion)

Sunday July 16<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Don't worry Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.30 a.m. Don't judge Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Ask, seek, knock.

Our services are 'live streamed' so that you can join us from home, and if you miss any of the services you can find them on our dedicated YouTube channel - just search Hornsea URC on YouTube to find us.

## This month at the U.R.C: -

In July we continue our worship series on the Sermon on the Mount. We also meet to eat lunch together, celebrate the start of our building project and join in a Quiet Day together, as well as all our usual events. Details in this newsletter.

# **Regular events**

Every Tuesday 2p.m. Faith and Fellowship in the Hall

Every Thursday 9.30- 1pm Coffee and chat Every Friday 6pm Pilots in term time

Every Saturday 10 am Christianity Explored group in the Hall

### **Faith and Fellowship**

David writes-

'We are a lively spiritual discussion group committed to moving forward in our understanding of faith. So come along and join us, any Tuesday at 2pm in the hall, for an inspiring debate. You will be warmly welcomed, your thinking will be stimulated, your preconceptions will be challenged, and you will enjoy a lovely cup of tea. What could be better than that?'

Any more information please contact Val on 07799480983

#### **Bible Book Club**

Our Bible book club continues, always on the last Wednesday of the month, so in July it will be on **Wed. 26th July at 2pm and 7pm.** For July we are reading the book of Zechariah. We get together and talk about what we thought of the book, what we liked/didn't like, and what we learnt from it- just like a regular book club. You can come regularly or occasionally; it is very informal.

# Church Lunch, July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Our next lunch will be after the service on the first Sunday in July(2nd). Hope to see you there, washers-up especially welcome!!

#### Membership

We were delighted to welcome Doris, Jill, Dale and Christina into church membership on June 11<sup>th</sup>.

We have more people in the congregation who are thinking about taking this step and will be looking to welcome them into membership in the not too distant future. If this is something you are thinking about please have a chat with one of the Elders, or new members. We will be delighted.

# **Exciting news about our building**

Our service on July 16<sup>th</sup> is appropriately titled 'Don't worry'! This will be our last service in the church as we prepare for the builders to start work. We will meet in the hall for the rest of the month.



# Quiet day - "He leads me by still waters"

We may not have 'still waters' but we will have every opportunity to 'restore our souls' on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July at the Convent, Little Eastgate, Hornsea.

It will be a time to, just be - in the presence of God. To think, reflect, explore scripture, songs and our place in God's Kingdom in ways that are appropriate for each individual. We will gather at 10.00am; pause for a coffee/tea; have a shared lunch at around 1.00pm; share our thoughts if appropriate and conclude at 2.00pm with Communion.

Please do come and invite your friends. The Sisters at the Convent make us most welcome and it is always time well spent.

# **Looking forward to Alternative August worship**

#### Elements of faith

Join us on a journey of discovery, on location around Hornsea, for the four Sundays in August. Bring a folding chair if you need one and a sense of adventure!!!



**ALLAN'S** 

**UNOFFICIAL** 

**90<sup>TH</sup>** 

**BIRTHDAY** 

PARTY!!!

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Guest arrival 1.30

In preparation for birthday boy arrival 2pm



Allan & Margo would be delighted if you could join them for this happy event. They want you to know just how much they appreciate your friendship and support. Like royalty, this year Allan is celebrating his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday twice just so he can have a summer garden party.

There will be live music, food, and drink. All you need to bring is You!

Venue: 21 Belgrave Drive, Hornsea, HU18 1LU

RSVP Louise: 07866 405093





# Eco Church Corner

Hi Everyone,

Welcome to the July Eco church corner, and we're starting with some fantastic newsour church has been awarded our-

#### **Bronze Eco- church Award**

We gained this relatively easily as we were already achieving a significant number of the initiatives and goals, so only a few minor changes were needed. However, now the more challenging work starts if we are to gain our Silver Award. Some areas of the survey (done to see if we qualify for a higher award), specifically the 'land' and some parts of the 'buildings' sections, will have to be left until the building work at the front of the church is finished. That means we can concentrate on the 'lifestyle' and 'global and community engagement' sections. The Eco group will be discussing ideas to achieve these goals: - maybe nature walks/ outdoor services to celebrate God's creation, litter picks etc.? if you have any ideas please tell us, we welcome any suggestions.

You may have seen we now have a new 'recycling' bin in the church hall, in addition to the usual rubbish bin, and there are reminder notices near the bins encouraging people to 'think before you throw'.

The Leafy Seadragon shop have started selling recipe kits- a chance to try out a new recipe by buying a ready-made kit containing exactly the right quantities of ingredients to make it. You might have to add 'fresh, including the recipe card

ingredients' e.g., a carrot, or milk, but everything is included including the recipe card. It's a great way of trying out a new recipe without having to buy a lot of ingredients which don't get used again. If you don't like it, at least you have tried it. If you do, you get to keep the recipe card and can make it again. I've tried several, all very tasty, so I'll be making them again.

Here is the recipe for

# No Bake Nutty Granola Bars

140g brown sugar

250g oats

60g chopped nuts

60g chopped dates

60g seed mix

150g peanut butter

100mls apple or orange juice

#### Method-

Add sugar, peanut butter and juice to a pan and melt together.

Remove from heat and mix in oats, nuts, dates and seed mix.

Tip into a lined baking tin and compress down.

Chill in fridge until set (around 2 hours).

Remember- if you don't have dates, seeds etc., you can get the kit from Leafy
Seadragon. It's only £2.95 for a trayful- you just need to add the juice and peanut
butter.

Happy Munching, Ann.