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August/September 2019

Week at a Glance, Church Records, Lectionary 2

Sunday	10.30	Morning Worship with Junior Church for children of all ages, and crèche. Coffee etc. served at close of Worship. Communion: 2 nd Sunday at 10.30 a.m.
	6.30	Evening Worship 1st Sunday at the Methodist Church 3rd Sunday in the URC (includes Communion)
Tuesday	9.15 to 12p.m.	Open House (in term-time)
	7.00 p.m.	Faith and Fellowship
Wednesday	2.00 p.m.	Friendship Hour (10 th and 24 th)
Thursday	10 a.m. to noon	Coffee Morning
Friday	6.00 - 7.30 p.m.	Pilots (in term-time)

Funerals

12th July Dee Malcolm - (Haltemprice Crematorium)
22nd July Stella Sanderson
27th July Jane Martin - Service of Celebration

Lectionary

August

4th Ecclesiastes 1.2,12-14; 2.18-23 Psalm 49.1-12 Colossians 3.1-11
Luke 12.13-21
11th Genesis 15.1-6 Psalm 33.12-22 Hebrews 11.1-3,8-16
Luke 12.32- 40
18th Jeremiah 23.23-29 Psalm 82 Hebrews 11.29-12.2 Luke 12.49-56
25th Isaiah 58.9b-14 Psalm 103.1-8 Hebrews 12.18-29 Luke 13.10-1

September

1st Sirach 10.12-18 or Proverbs 25.6-7 Psalm 112 Hebrews 13.1-8,15-16
Luke 14.1,7-14
8th Deuteronomy 30.15-20 Psalm 1 Philemon 1-21 Luke 14.25-33
15th Exodus 32.7-14 Psalm 51.1-10 1 Timothy 1.12-17 Luke 15.1-10
22nd Amos 8.4-7 Psalm 113 1 Timothy 2.1-7 Luke 16.1-13
29th Amos 6.1a,4-7 Psalm 146 1 Timothy 6.6-19 Luke 16.19-31

Dear Friends

As we move into the summer holiday season we have been considering as a church our mission, how to engage with our community and how to share with them the good news of Jesus Christ.

What is the good news?

Jesus loves us all and provides a way into the kingdom of God. What a message to bring and a love to share!

Our activities in the church are important – an opportunity to meet, pray and learn together, socialise, welcome new people, raise monies, care for the community – lots of activities serving different purposes.

As we seek to share this good news I believe that we should also focus individually on **who we are**, not just what we do.

Jesus calls us in Matthew to:-

“Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ 38 This is the greatest and the most important commandment. 39 The second most important commandment is like it: ‘Love your neighbour as you love yourself”

My challenge to myself is do I love God with all my heart – do I put him first. Is he at the forefront of how I conduct my life not just on Sundays, but 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

To the people around me do I show them love, compassion, kindness, gentleness as Jesus did to all those around him.

When I ran Frontier Camps, one of our mission statements was “Telling Jesus’ story” i.e. sharing the good news and expanding his kingdom.

Camp is a busy place and we were careful to set aside each day time for worship, teaching and prayer.

However, this left a lot of hours each day to be in community together. We sought to ensure that we told the story through words which were then reinforced through how we served each other.

This model can apply to us to.

I believe that we are not just called to tell people about the Kingdom of God, we are called to **be** the kingdom, demonstrating the love of God in all we do and all that we are.

What an exciting time!

Yours in Him,

Steve Seal

Coming soon! - a new leaflet about membership in the United reformed Church.

If you are not already a church member your Elder will be asking you about membership soon.

If you are not sure who the Elder is who is looking after you, please ask.



Dee Malcolm

Born in Hyde Cheshire and had an older brother John.

The family moved five years later to the village of Bredbury, she attended St Mark's Primary School and later Highfield School for girls.

On leaving school she went to work in the design room at Crown Wallpapers.

She married her childhood sweetheart Bill and were blessed with daughters Barbara and Brenda, a third daughter, Pamela, died at six months from a congenital heart problem.

A later move to Derbyshire saw the girls grow up and get married and to her joy three grandchildren came along – a source of happiness and subsequent comfort when Bill passed away from a heart attack.

She looked forward to visiting them and their regular visits to her over the next few years.

Holidays were also a source of enjoyment and on one of these occasions she met Dan, whose sense of humour appealed and his sense of romance stayed with them through their years on marriage.

When Dan died, Dee turned to the URC for strength and comfort and found friendships that made life happy once more.

She was a regular attendee at the Thursday Coffee Morning and looked after the bric-a-brac stall for many years.

Pastoral visiting and the Friendship Hour as enjoyed twice a month and 'Living Well' was also part of Dee's commitment to the church and she attended the weekly meetings and monthly lunches given to people living alone, lonely or disabled.

Dee loved her dogs and her home. She was always encouraging of others and never a complainer.

She has reflected more than once on her life saying 'God has been good to me – giving me a life that's been a happy one'.

(The reflection on Jane Martin's life will be in the October Newsletter)

Bible 'Study' – or simply learning how to read the bible has featured strongly in all the Church Chats we have held.

The Bible is a confusing book - it is in fact made up of many books but most of the time we only read small sections and not in any chronological order.

To help get an overview of the Bible we have run two Bible Courses but for all those who have taken part there is a definite desire to find out more and dig deeper.

What if we we took a book and read all of it – and discussed it like we do in a book club – when we share our thoughts and insights we discover things we had never thought of before.

In October the Worship Plan is to explore the book of Colossians but we have a few volunteers willing to host a **Bible Book Club** before then – along with support from the Bible Society who provide user friendly guides for all the books in the Bible.

- Groups can meet as often as they like – once a month works well.
- The group can decide how big their group should be – 3 or 4 works well but more than 8 may be a bit too large for everyone to be able to have their say.
- The group can decide which books they read; where to meet; who/how to lead etc.

It is a fun and challenging way to discover the many treasures in the Bible and if you are like me it provides a discipline to keep to the task set.

If you think this is something you would like to try – either as a host (i.e. tea/coffee maker) or as a participant just have a word with any Elder or go online to the Bible Society's website www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/bible-book-club for more information.

Join us for breakfast

Sunday 4th August

9.00 - 9.30am



Prayer Network – Prayers for Concern in August/September

For all those seeking how to serve God.

Church Meeting

Our Country

Farmers and Holiday Makers

Students and Teachers

News from the FRSC

June Barton

Margaret Webster was lady who had a passion for flowers and so it was a fitting tribute when her granddaughter, Lizzie, decided she would like to organise a flower arranging demonstration in memory of her grandmother.

With just a little help from Mum, Julie, the evening of Tuesday 18 June saw Louise Pepper from Bishop Burton College demonstrating the skill involved with flowers to turn them into fantastic and breath taking creations. These were raffled off at the end of the evening and together with a sale of flowers, amassed £550 for church funds.

Thank you to all involved in such a wonderfully enjoyable evening and a fitting tribute to Margaret.

This year **Mandy's Mammoth Sale** will be on **Friday and Saturday 9 and 10 August commencing at 10.00am** with the proceeds for the United Reformed Church. Once more the church will be filled with all manner of items she has collected, or had donated and no doubt Tony will be pleased to regain the use of his garage. Refreshments and light lunches will be served on both days so spread the word to friends and neighbours as there is bound to be something here that you just cannot live without!

Our Table Top Sale is on Saturday 28 September 10.am - 2.00pm. Book now to reserve a table at only £6. (June 01964 534039). There will be various items on sale so come along and look for bargains amongst the arts, bric-a-brac, books and crafts. Refreshments and light lunches will be served so you can enjoy a sit down after a busy bargain hunt. Contributions of sandwich fillings and cakes will be very gratefully received.

Advance Notice: Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 2 November 10.00am - 2.00pm.

Frontier Camps 2019

Steve and Debbie Seal

Camp Set up 20th and 21st July

Camp Week – 3rd to 10th August

Camp Pack up 10th and 11th August

We write this with the request and hope that you would support us in prayer for Frontier Camps through the week of camp. We believe it is a real privilege to spend time with over 70 young people and to share what Christ has done for each of us and for each camper. It is also our privilege to have you pray with us as your prayers are a foundational and core element of camp. Without prayer camp cannot succeed. So we are hugely thankful for your contribution. Camp can be of eternal importance in the lives of the young people who come away for a week of fun, excitement and action, and to hear the good news of Jesus' story. For the staff it is an exhausting but refreshing week!

First - a bit about camp itself! We are a totally canvas camp i.e. everyone is in tents. We are an independent charity involved in running camps for over 60 years. You can check out our website at **www.frontiercamps.com**. We run for a week and have a variety of activities, games and crafts including days out, surprises and the more traditional bonfire. Activities range from swimming at the beach to a climbing wall, and a range of team games. We like to keep the kids busy for the whole day as this leads to less opportunity for mischief!

The camp is for 9-14 year olds - we have around 36 campers this year and there will be around 55 others staff on site in various roles (this number also includes a number of staff family members who are under 9)

Our aim is two fold : -

1. Telling Jesus' story – we want to ensure that no-one leaves without hearing that story, and we tell it through words which are reinforced

through how we serve each other. We tell it relevantly and creatively. We also primarily want to be telling the story to those who haven't heard it or responded to it.

2. Providing a great holiday – to give young people a fantastic holiday. We will constantly innovate to make sure our programmes are exciting, fun and safe.

The camp is based on an old airfield in Lincolnshire owned by New Tribes Mission at Frontier Camps, c/o New Tribes Mission, North Cotes, Grimsby, North Lincs, DN36 5XU. **If you would like to come and visit us during camp you would be most welcome but please let me know in advance – contact me on 07791 099364.**

At time of writing, we are pleased to be taking 14 people from Hornsea URC this year - a mix of staff and campers. Hopefully they will find the experience fulfilling and exciting.

Who to pray for and give thanks for?

- 36 young campers aged 9 – 14. Praise God that we have many campers from all sorts of backgrounds – for quite a number this will be their only holiday of the year.
- 'The Crew' – 20 young people aged 16 to 19 ish whose duties are serving food, helping with activities, peeling tons of spuds, serving meals and many other things. Camp is an opportunity for them to grow in their often young faith, and to grow in service. This is active discipleship. For some of the Crew this is their only contact with a Christian community. Please pray for the Crew Leaders.
- Tent Leaders – a crucial role spending most of their week with the campers. Their witness and love is really important. It is an exhausting and immeasurably important job.

Leaders who will be teaching, nurturing and encouraging the campers and staff.

- The Catering teams (they serve wonderful food all week)

- The Sports and Activities Teams (they run an action packed week catering for all sorts of interests)
 - Tent Partners – supporting the Team Leaders – potential Tent Leaders for future years – again a crucial role alongside the campers throughout the day.
 - Lots of other staff helping to ensure the success of the holiday.
 - The families of leaders – the camp is a community with nearly 55 staff and family members in addition to the campers. Pray that they will all have a great time.
 - New staff and new campers. Many children and leaders have been several times before – pray for those who are new to be really welcomed and to settle quickly into the non-stop action of camp.
 - For every person to have had a great holiday and for God to be glorified in all that we do.
 - The weather – given the peculiarities of our British weather pray for as little rain as possible, for sunshine but not too hot (are we being picky?) Our Heavenly Father knows what we need to make the camp a success and not a wash out or a burn-up! Freedom from accidents and harm, from sickness and from over tiredness.
 - The Holy Spirit to be at work in the lives of the campers (and sustaining staff) and that we might all hear God's voice and respond as He calls, nurtures and refreshes.
 - The teaching to really speak into everyone's lives.
 - At the end of camp the right way to support young people going home with a new faith or renewed faith.
 - For everyone to be closer to God as a result of the week
- For the young people who find the structure and rules a bit too much, and for those who are homesick in the first couple of days.

- Lots of fun and laughter.

Every morning (around 9.15am) there will be teaching and celebration in the marquee and a word for the day and worship songs (around 8pm). These are very important times.

Thank you again for joining with us in prayer. You are a key partner on the journey through which God will change the lives of young people of this generation and they in turn will influence others. God bless.

“Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. You are serving the Lord Christ.”

Colossians 3:23-24.

Thank you

Mandy's Mammoth Sale

Fund Raising Event for the URC.

Friday 9th and Saturday 10th August .

Hornsea United Reformed Church

10am till 3pm

**Freshly baked cakes, teas and coffee
Garden sales, book stall and tombola.**

**Recycle
Up-cycle
Refresh!**

Traidcraft

I think this article by Robin Roth from Traidcraft's Bulletin is quite appropriate – hope you find it so too.

When I first started at Traidcraft three years ago, I talked to several Fairtrade leaders about the need for organic farming to be a part of our mission and I was bemused by their reactions. The most common were, **“Organic farming? – There’s no health benefit to consumers.”** And **“British consumers will never buy that story. Organic food is a middle-class, niche market.”**

To say that I was non-plussed is an understatement, but I have slowly come to understand how organic farming, with all of its extraordinary benefits for farmers and planet, has been so wildly misrepresented in the UK that it seemed to exist in the no man’s land between witchcraft and straight out crazy.

And now, three years later, quite suddenly everyone is talking about plastic, pollution, climate crisis, ocean degradation and fossil fuel dependency. And equally, people are also finally taking about biodiversity, organic and bi-dynamic farming, re-forestation and the circular economy as possible antidotes. This debate is hugely overdue, but it can also seem a bit overwhelming.

Quite what am I supposed to do as an individual in this sea of sudden information about the climate?

Well, on the one hand there is every cause to panic. As Greta Thurnberg, the remarkable, 16-year-old girl from Sweden, whose solitary school strike has turned into an international movement, said recently when she was visiting the European Parliament;

“I want you to panic..... I want you to act as if the house was on fire. I have said those words before and a lot of people have explained why that is a bad idea..... A great number of politicians have told me that panic never leads to anything good and I agree. To panic, unless you have to, is a terrible idea. But when your house is on fire and you want to keep your house from burning to the ground, then that does require some level of panic”.

‘Panicking doesn’t lead us to a solution, and it is imperative that we all find one.

The science behind climate change is not disputed (99.5% of all research scientists are in alignment) but it is frequently denied. Science denying will get us nowhere, of course, and scaremongering even less. What we need is a clear-eyed understanding of what we can all do as individuals and as communities.

At Traidcraft, we are thinking through what it would mean to become a 1.5°C company (1.5 degrees of warming above industrial levels is what we can still achieve without irreparably harming the ecosystems that we depend on for life – we are already at 1.1°C and rising). The answers are all small ones, but taken together they make big differences:

| eating less meat - | eating more vegetables - | eating more local food - | travelling less by car and plane.

These are not huge sacrifices, but they are conscious decisions.

In recent weeks we have been talking a lot about transparency, and you may be wondering why the theme is suddenly all about the climate?

Well, the food industry is fantastically, almost sublimely not transparent. The less you know about where your food comes from, the more corners can be cut, and the more profit can be extracted from the farmers at the start of the chain. It's time to be honest about the food we eat and what it costs the earth. Global food production is responsible for 30% of all greenhouse gases, and the single major cause of deforestation, soil erosion, water pollution and chemical pollution. A significant element of this is a consequence of mass rearing of livestock (less meat is good for you and the planet) and the use of chemical fertilisers (this topic is huge, and is worth another bulletin article in itself).

By supporting small scale organic farmers who recycle their own waste products into healthy compost and who do not spray their land with excessive Nitrogen, Phosphorous and Potassium (NPK farming), you are **genuinely supporting heroes who are fighting climate change.** "A middle class niche?", "Of no benefit to the consumer?" Or perhaps an **essential survival strategy for the planet?**

Why not place a regular order at our Traidcraft stall for tea, coffee, sugar, biscuits, chocolate etc and be a part of the change we need to make.

Worship - August

Sunday	4	10.30 a.m	Margaret Preece
		6.30 p.m.	Joint at the Methodist Church
	11	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Alison Micklem: (C)
	18	10.30 a.m.	Mary Young
		6.30 p.m.	Rev. Keith Himsworth Joint Communion at URC
	25	10.30 a.m.	Suzanne Punter

Worship - September

Sunday	1	10.30 a.m	Revd. Trevor Holborn
		6.30 p.m.	Joint at the Methodist Church
	8	10.30 a.m.	John Turner (Christian Aid) (C) Worship Team
	15	10.30 a.m.	Revd. Peter Jordon
		6.30 p.m.	Revd. Keith Himsworth Joint Communion at URC
	22	10.30 a.m.	Worship Team
	29	10.30 a.m.	Revd. Steven Knapton

Events in August

Sunday	4	From 9.00 a.m.	Church Breakfast
Wednesday	7	2.00 p.m.	Friendship Hour: Quiz
Friday & Saturday	9 & 10	10.00a.m. - 3.00 p.m.	Mandy's Mammoth Sale
Wednesday	14	7.30 p.m.	Elders' Meeting
Wednesday	21	2.00 p.m.	Friendship Hour: Ann Bosworth
Thursday	22	From 8.00am	Elders Bereavement Training
Saturday	24	9.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	Local Market - Cinema Street

Events in August continued

Sunday	25	10.00 am	Elders – after church
Sunday	25	11.15 a.m.	Christian Bikers Service – Hall Garth Park

Events in September

Sunday	1	After Church	Church Lunch
Sunday	1	2.00pm	Band Concert
Friday	6	10.30 a.m.	Churches Together
Saturday	7	10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.	League of Friends Coffee Morning
Wednesday	11	7.30 p.m.	Elders
Saturday	14	8.00 a.m.	BIG DAY OUT
Saturday	14	7.00 p.m.	Music Society Concert
Wednesday	18	2.00 p.m.	Friendship Hour: Mr Walker
Sunday	22	11.30 a.m.	Church Meeting
Saturday	28	9.30 a.m. - 1.30 p.m.	Local Market - Cinema Street
Saturday	28	10.00 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.	Table Top Sale
Saturday	28	7.00 p.m.	Music Society Concert

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

The last date is **Wednesday 11 September**. Issue will be available in Church on Sunday 29th September, also online at hornseaurc.org.uk

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