

**'IDEAS AND ISSUES'
THURSDAY COMMUNITY CONVERSATION GROUP**



On sunny Thursday 24 May seven of us met outside - in the shade - to energetically discuss the hot topic of taxation. Despite, inexplicably, being buzzed for much of the time by a low-flying aircraft, all spoke and everyone enjoyed it. We shall meet on the fourth Thursday of each month from 1400-1500, teacups in hand (orange juice if very sunny). Our next conversation will be 1400-1500 on Thursday 28 June in Wesley's cafe to discuss 'Crime and Punishment' introduced by Chris Flecknoe for five minutes while the blue sands of our timer run down.

On 26 July Gay Collinge will introduce the topic 'Voting'. And on 23 August Carolyn Voice will introduce 'The Health Service.'

So we are launched; come and row the boat with us and put these dates in your diaries. John Anderson. Tel 590525 dumelama2000@yahoo.co.uk

A young missionary served in a remote part of Africa with few resources, but he did manage to convert some of the natives. One day, unarmed, he was walking through the bush when he was confronted by a lion.

He knelt in prayer, hands clasped, and after a few moments opened one eye and saw that the lion was kneeling down and had his paws clasped.

'My goodness,' he said in relief, 'are you a Christian too?'

'Yes, certainly' the lion replied, 'I was just saying grace.'

Thought for the week

The best thing to spend on your children is time

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Services for 10th June

10:00am **Rev Alistair Newton**

Parade Service

Baptism of Abigail Rose James

6:00pm **Rev Alistair Newton &**

Rev Brian Gregory

Welsh Society Service

If you are here today for the first time, we offer you a warm welcome. Please make yourself known to one of the Duty Stewards and stay and have a coffee after the service. If you would like to know more about what goes on please check the website. Fill in your details below and someone will be in touch with you.

Name.....Address.....

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Tel Number/Email.....



**Baildon
Methodist
Church**



Today's Worship

10:00am **David Kenyon**

6:00pm **District Jubilee Service at Crag
Led by Rev. Graham Smith
Holy Communion**

**Sunday
3rd June
Trinity Sunday**

Ministry of Flowers

.The flowers in our church today are a gift from
Christine & Harry Leighton in loving memory of
Janet and Tom Leighton.



Lectionary Readings for the Week

Isaiah 6: 1 - 8

Psalm 29

Romans 8: 12 - 17

John 3: 1 - 17





Prayer of the Week

Lord Chief Planner, who maps out a way ahead for your people to follow (and goes with them, every step), please keep us on course, and in touch – both with you in heaven and with reality here on earth, through Jesus. Amen

What's On This Week

Monday 4th June 4:00pm–7:00pm

Diamond Jubilee Celebration Party
7:30pm Prayer Group **will** meet in Wesleys 4 /Quiet room as usual. All welcome.

Tuesday 5th Closed

No Tuesday morning prayer group.

Wednesday 6th

IO@I5am 'As We Are' No meeting
2:00pm CAMEO No meeting

Thursday 7th

I:30pm Cell Group meets in Rm 2

Friday 8th

9:00am Ecumenical Communion Service, St John's followed by refreshments.

9:30am See & Know

Saturday 9th IO:00am- I2:00noon

Wesleys Café open for drinks and light snacks.

.CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Please would all Church Council members note that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 19th June, 2012 at 7:30pm in the Church Centre. Please give any apologies to Rosemary Francis. Many thanks.'

PewsNews / Centre Pages

Please send any articles as soon as possible for the following Sunday to Pews News / Centre Pages at latest Tuesday to:- e-Mail address.

pewsnews@baildonmethodists.org

OR if you do not have access to e-mail ring Hazel on 598357 by Tuesday evening please. Answer machine 24/7.

Looking Ahead.

Friday 15th June

Churches Together One World evening.
Joshua's Fund talk at Moravian Church

Saturday 16th June

Creating Safer Space Training

Tuesday 19th June 6:45pm

Fellowship of St Andrew meet at St John's Church Hall

Thursday 21st June 7:30pm

Local Preachers meeting at BMC

Saturday 23rd June IO:00am–II:30am

One World coffee morning at St John's in aid of Practical Action

A message from Janet Wilde.

Thank you for the beautiful flowers and for all the cards and good wishes sent to me on my move from Baildon to Guiseley. I have loved being a part of the Baildon fellowship and hope to see you all quite often. As a way of thanking you coffee after today's service is my treat. *Janet.*

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The minister will continue to lead **Membership Groups** for both Young People and Adults on 27 June, 4 July and 11 July.

The Young Persons Membership Group for year 7 or above will meet from 6:15 to 7:15pm. The Adult Membership Group will meet at 7:30 pm. Let the minister know if you would like to attend.

The minister's Methodist email address is alister.newton@methodist.org.uk

Church Financial Health

Figures for April this year are now complete and (together with a donation received early May) show a superb achievement in fully covering payment for the Church Chair Refurbishment. This is in addition to the solar PV panels which had already been paid for. Thank you again to all of you who have so generously donated to make this possible – your gifts are magnificent.

We do still have a deficit projected for the year on our general fund which is used for our day to day expenses. This would be greater but for the £900 which we expect to receive for Feed in Tariff from Solar PV panels and the £1525 of insurance cost which have been deferred until next financial year by paying our premium monthly. Even with the above which improves our income/reduces costs by a total of £2425 this year a shortfall for the year of £2700 is projected. This means that we are spending £2700 more than our income which clearly we cannot continue.

We will try to achieve some reduction in our costs but know that inflation will also increase costs. Wesleys have increased their prices for inflation which should help the Church and Room Letting rates will slightly increase in September. It may be that some part of the very generous gifts for solar PV and Chairs can in the coming year be given for the general fund. And those people of my age and above will have recently received a pension increase of about 5% so if we can all increase our giving to Church by a similar percentage we can together

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BAILDON:ONE WORLD GROUP

You are warmly invited to attend an evening talk about our chosen charity, Friday 15th June at 7.30pm in the Moravian Church hall. Joshua lives in the Katmandu and the fund supports his education. The speaker for this event will be Moravian Minister, Rev. Robert Hopcroft, who visits Katmandu and has first hand knowledge of Joshua and his family. Also (just a note for your diary), there will be a bric-a-brac, book and cake stall for Joshua's Fund at the Baildon Carnival on Saturday 14th July. We would be grateful for any donations for the stall. Bric-a-brac and books can be brought to the Moravian Church the day before the carnival and cakes on the day please. For more information, please call Stephanie Wright on 596064. Thank you



Thanks

Thank you to the Tuesday Cell Group for the 2 new picnic bench tables on the patio. With a big thank you to Barry Pratt for the 2 new planters. And thanks to our busy, keen gardeners who do so much work in our church gardens. God bless you all.

Bradford & District St. David's Society

Would like to thank the Rev Alistair Newton and all the members of Baildon Methodist Church for allowing us to share your Evening Worship on 10th June and to give it a Welsh flavour.

On the past two occasions we have received a very kind welcome from you all.

All the Welsh spoken will be repeated in English, and only alternate verses of the hymns will be in Welsh, so all get a chance to sing to the tunes. We are very much looking forward to meeting you again. Eileen Walker, Secretary