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NOTICES FOR SUNDAY 6th JUNE 2021

Weekly Diary

Monday 7 June	8.45 am to 1.00 pm	Barrow Playgroup meet in the Hall
Tuesday 8 June	8.45 am to 4.00 pm	Barrow Playgroup
Wednesday 9 June	8.45 am to 1.00 pm	Barrow Playgroup
Thursday 10 June	8.45 am to 4.00 pm	Barrow Playgroup
Friday 11 June	8.45 am to 1.00 pm	Barrow Playgroup
Saturday 12 June		
Sunday 13 June	10.15 am	We meet for worship in Church

If you require the services of a Minister, please contact our Minister on
Telephone: 0116 2304689

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Sunday 6 th June	10.15 am	MHA Sunday – Heather Doda
Sunday 13 th June	10.15 am	Colin Lamb
Sunday 20 th June	10.15 am	Granville Mercy
Sunday 27 th June	10.15 am	Rev John Pugh
Sunday 4 th July	10.15 am	Rev Jill Marsh
Sunday 11 th JULY	10.30 am	Rev John Pugh's Leaving Service at Quorn
Sunday 18 th July	10.15 am	Rev Martin Swan

We Need Your Help



As many of you are aware, our Annual Church Meeting is the time when we appoint stewards and representatives to the Church Council for the coming year. Obviously that meeting had to be cancelled last year, and this year it has been postponed from April until 27th June, so Heather and I have continued as the only church stewards for that time.

However, as our services now become more regular, and as we look forward to welcoming our new minister at the end of August, we really do need more people to consider if they might be being called to serve the church in the role of steward. Please do pray about this and have a word with one of us as soon as possible if you think you might be able to help, or if you need any more information - Sandra and Heather

VILLAGE FETE

We are having a Games and Jigsaw stall at the Village Fete on Sunday 4th July from 10.00 am until 3.00 pm. We do have a good stock of these items already but if anyone has any that they no longer need they would be much appreciated. Please see Yvonne, Janet, or Kate.

THANK YOU - COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Thanks to you all for your regular contributions to the running of the church during lockdown. Church services have now resumed but if you are unable to attend, please continue to send your contributions towards the running of the church as you have been doing over the last 12 months. Thank you - Peter

12TH Church is streamed every Sunday morning at 10.45 am and for prayers at 6.00 pm
12th Church Facebook page

Sunday 6 th June	Rev Andrew Lomax
Sunday 13 th June	Rev David Shirtliff
Sunday 20 th June	Liz and Rob Newton
Sunday 27 th June	Karen Wormald
Sunday 4 th July	Pipet Family
Sunday 11 th July	No Service on Facebook
Sunday 18 th July	Eleri Bristow

If you have news of friends that you can share, then please let me know at janetmthompson13@gmail.com or 01509 413810. Don't forget you can also view our newsletter at www.barrowuponsoarmethodistchurch.co.uk

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord, we are in awe of our planet and all around us there is beauty and wonder. Yet we also know the daily toll of our 21st-century lifestyles on our towns and cities, mountains and beaches and we know that we must change our ways. Help us to find the wisdom and courage as individuals, as congregations and as nations to take the steps that are needed to save the planet for future generations. Amen.

Lynne Ling, Synod Secretary, Bedfordshire, Essex and Hertfordshire District

REV JOHN PUGH WRITES:

More than once I have held the model railway engine tight in my fist (to those who like details the accompanying photo shows an N gauge LNER General Purpose Tank Engine in LNER green). I have then said to a gathered Primary School assembly "The original item of that which I have in my hand weighed 85 tons, do you believe I can hold this in my hand?"



I have been very clear about the statement and usually the children haven't really listened so they hear 85 tons in my hand, and I couldn't possibly hold that much therefore the answer is "No!". The end result was that I would ask if they thought I didn't tell the truth – the end result was some confusion.

I would then hold up this tiny N gauge model, show it and say I'd told the truth, the original engine did weigh 85 tons. The model though, is just that, part of my model railway collection. I emphasised though that I always told them the truth, anything they heard from me they could trust. I would never lie to them about anything, I would always tell them the truth no matter how difficult the topic.

That makes you think though doesn't it? I remember watching the film "Carry on up the Khyber" some years ago, seeing Charles Hawtree and another actor, dressed as British Infantry guarding the Khyber Pass (actually a farm gate somewhere in Wales I think!) After a rather hasty attack the other soldier is wounded then comforted by Charles, the wounded soldier asks how he is and the traditional response comes back it's not too bad. The wounded soldier (Ginge) responds that he wants the truth and Charles responds "Alright Ginge, you're dying!" (Ginge dies dramatically!)

Telling the truth comes in many forms and ways and sometimes it's the hardest thing to do. Many of us have struggled with this whole concept and maybe more than once have we told a "white lie" because somehow it felt less cruel than the truth? Be truthful now especially gentlemen when your wife/partner has asked "Does my bottom look big in this?" (Ladies it can apply to you too). Does there follow a lie or are we followers of the Margaret Thatcher School of Response and are we economical with the truth? Is truth what falls from your mind and mouth and is it guided by the Holy Spirit in all things?

CLIMATE JUSTICE FOR ALL

You are invited to join us for our 'Have Your Say' events on either June 9th, June 12th or July 13th. These events consist of a 45-minute consultation hosted by CJ4A (worldmethodistcouncil.org/cj4a) in partnership with Green Agents of Change (methodist.org.uk/greenagentsofchange). As part of the CJ4A campaign, we want to send a 'call to action' from Methodists to the UK government's COP Ambassadors. Local Methodist churches and groups will be asked to add their names to this call to action but, before taking that step, we want to hear from Methodists across Britain. What does climate justice look like for you? What should Britain be doing to ensure climate justice for all? If you attend a Methodist Church or group and would like to have your voice heard then please do join us for one of these events, which are open to people of all ages (those under 18 will need a parent to book their ticket and give permission). Register here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/climate-justice-for-all-have-your-saytickets-152826206297>

For any further information, please email: pugmirem@methodistchurch.org