

BURTON ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

Church Web Site: www.burtonroadmethodist.org.uk

“Burton Road Methodist Church is committed to bringing people to Christ, through God’s word, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

- . Accepting people as they are
- . Worshipping together as a family
- . Welcoming and loving everyone
- . Serving the community around us

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Large print Bibles, hymn, service, and songbooks and sheets are available, please ask at the door.

Welcome to worship here today.

Sunday 15th August

10.30 am – Mr Ken Chester

6.00 pm – Mr Peter Reast

On duty:-	Vestry	Door	Instrumentalist
10.30 am	John	Joan	Michael
6.00 pm	Angela	Mary	Pauline

Sunday 22nd August

10.30 pm – Mrs Pauline Warden – service of all age worship

On duty:-	Vestry	Door	Instrumentalist
10.30 am	John	Peter	Michael, Angela

Sunday 29th August 2004

10.30 am – **A United Service** of Hymns and Songs of Praise, at Bailgate Methodist Church

Sunday 5th September,

10.30 am - Mrs Jan Himsworth.

Please pray

...for all those preparing worship over the summer.

...for safe journeys and relaxing times over the holiday period.

...for Stephen and all the ministers in our circuit

...for Peter, awaiting a hospital appointment and for Angela supporting him and the family

...for John Webster, now home from hospital, but still recovering

Summer dates

Each Monday 6.30 pm

Prayer meeting in the Church, except Bank Holiday Monday, when we are encouraged to Pray at the same time wherever we are.

Saturday 21st August

Faith Walkers go to Clumber Park.

Sunday 29th August

Rota date to be passed to relevant people

Saturday 4th September

Autumn Fair at Stones Place.

Hebrews 11 v 29 – 31 and v 39 - 40

'By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned.

By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the people had marched around them for seven days.

By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.

These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect'

Notices

Should you require help, which you think we, as a church, may be able to provide, but you are not able to make personal contact whilst here with us, please contact our minister **Stephen** on (01522) 525064; or our pastoral worker **Peter** on (01522) 822981

Rotas:- Please give careful, prayerful consideration to the dates you are able to offer for September/October/November and pass your dates to the relevant person, **before 29th August..** John – Door, Michael – Instrumentalist, Angela – Vestry, Elizabeth – Junior Church. Thank you
Should any 'new' instrumentalists like to join the rota please speak to Michael; if you would like to contribute and/or arrange flowers for our worship please see the Flower rota on the noticeboard at the back of church and speak to Pauline. Please speak to John if you are interested in being a door steward, he will let you know what it's all about; children are welcome to help 'their' adults!

Harvest Supper...Please come

When: Saturday 18th September at 4.30pm for 5pm.

We will eat: Vegetables with Salmon & Sauce or Sausages & Gravy or Vegetarian Casserole.

By Sunday 5th Sept...Please sign the form at the back of church to indicate which meal you would like, and if you may be able to make a dessert. Donations to cover costs will be invited 'at the do'. The 'fun' following our meal has yet to be confirmed.

Special Agents is evolving... From September we will be changing the way that Special Agents is run. We will still have the same starting age of 5, but there will be no upper limit (so Active8 children you can still come if you want to!) We are however going to change our time, it will be from 6pm to 7pm each Friday night during term time. We return from our summer break on Friday 10th September.

Under the new structure we will be working towards a production (Yet to be confirmed) that we will perform in Summer 2005. We will still be enjoying singing, dancing and drama, but might not be doing all of them every week. In addition to this, some weeks groups of children will be making costumes and scenery for the production.

For us to move forward and for this to become a reality, we need more children and more adults (we will ask you to sign up to help with the activity evenings!)

For more details please speak to Garth.

We thank God for prompting us to give, through the bank and offerings, £927.39 during June and £983.17 during July towards our work in the church and community.

'**Church weekend**' details to follow soon, but please put the date in your diary and on your calendar. This is a brilliant opportunity to spend the weekend together (during the daytimes) in fellowship and to receive teaching and encouragement. A programme for adults and another for the children will run here at 'Burton Rd', covering the same themes. **And the date is 2nd and 3rd October 2004!**

We are invited to join the North/West Community Congregation of New Life Christian Fellowship at a picnic on **Sunday 22nd August** in Whitton's Park. They will meet there after their morning service, which finishes later than ours.

Please contact Rev Alan Barker (Angela has his tel. no.) if you would like a copy of the **Methodist Prayer Handbook**, he still has a few 'on sale or return'.

News from Church Council meeting, Thurs 8th July 04

- It was agreed the Management Team (Peter Reast, John Hammerton, Maureen Hammerton, Joan Markham, Elizabeth Hicks, Wendy Thompson, Angela Reast) were to be regarded as fulfilling the offices of Church Stewards.
- There will be a Circuit united all-age service here on Sunday 12th September at 4pm, followed by a Faith tea.
- There will be no service at Burton Rd Methodist Church on Boxing morning (26th Dec 04), this is the general pattern of churches in the area.
- We are invited to join Bailgate Methodist Church on 29th August for a Songs of Praise service at 10.30am. We are welcome to choose a hymn or song and share what it means to us, please contact Rev Alan Barker if you would like to do so. There will be no service here that day.
- During school holidays as many morning services as possible will be all age worship.
- Rev Mark Wakelin has accepted our invitation to preach here on Sunday 4th September 2005
- Volunteers (especially singers) are asked to go with Pauline to the Museum of Lincolnshire Life during the afternoon of 19th September to sing Harvest hymns and songs. The museum is having a Harvest-themed weekend.
- Training will be arranged for us to understand 'Safeguarding' and a church policy prepared.
- Faithwalkers was acknowledged as a 'Burton Road Methodist Church' group, and a valuable outreach.
- Mark will provide training re the loop & PA system in the lounge. Please ask him.
- From Property meeting: a day will be arranged to clean and decorate, 2 more heaters will be put in the Lounge, a 'working at height' risk policy will be prepared.
- Dates of next Church Council meetings: Tuesday 12th October 2004 and Thursday 20th January 2005.

Faith Walkers – 21st August 2004 – Clumber Park.

Easy to moderate walking, maximum length today 5 miles.

This venue offers much wonderful scenery, safe walking, a walled garden and a large lake with lots of wildlife. Much of this garden is accessible to the less able, wheelchair users, mobility scooter users and those who cannot walk far. There is also a restaurant and plenty of places to picnic. There is also an old church should you wish to have a look around. There is also a National Trust gift shop. There is an admission charge of £3.60 per car. We will leave Burton Road Methodist Church at 10.00 am.

Please note that any children wishing to take part in these activities must be accompanied by a parent at all times. Also please note that anyone taking part in these activities do so at their own risk. For further information or to tell us you are coming, please contact Glenn (01522) 530150, Mark (01522) 806784 or John (01522) 750082

Date for your diary – Tuesday 21st September, meeting for Junior Staff and those interested in our young people, to be held at Elizabeth's home, 22 Mons Road.

Call to Prayer – Calling Christians in the Lincoln area to pray for the county and Just 10 Lincolnshire 2005 during August. Wednesday 18th August – St George's Swallowbeck at 7.30 pm.

All Saints Church, Monks Road, invite everyone to enjoy their **Centenary Flower Festival, 28th – 30th August**. The theme will be 'Come and Celebrate'. Saturday 28th August – 10.00 am – 5.00 pm. The church will be open; tea/coffee and light refreshments will be served. 1.00 pm – Concert by Mrs Joyce Hainstock and others. Sunday 29th August – 10.00 am Parish Eucharist. 2.00 pm – 5.00 pm Church open and cream teas available. 6.00 pm – Concert by the Festival Strings. Monday 30th August – 10.00 am – 5.00 pm – Church open; tea/coffee and light refreshments available.

Sharing our Faith 2004. A series of illustrated talks, given by Rev Langley Mackrell-Hey that draw from recent insights in the fields of Mission and Evangelism. Hear in everyday language what respected academics think! How can we be more effective in sharing our faith both as individuals, and as a Church?

4th September - What is Evangelism: Is the humble coffee morning a work of Evangelism?

18th September - What is Mission: Do we have a divine right to be here?

25th September - Finding Faith on Eastenders: Who is ready to hear the gospel?

2nd October - Worship & Preaching in a modern age: It's life Jim, but not as we know it!

9th October - Is God a Gambler, a Magician or a Designer: What kind of God do we invite people to believe in?

30th October - Evangelism in the midst of trauma: What is our response to the world's evil and suffering?

6th November - Method(ism) in our madness: How should Methodists plan Mission?

All talks at Washingborough Methodist Church on Saturdays and start at 9:15am. Free Entry. 45 minute talk followed by questions, discussion, tea and coffee. You are welcome to attend all or just one of the sessions. Don't forget the first rule of Evangelism - spread the Word!

There will be no sessions on 11th September (the date of the District Synod) and the 16th & 23rd October, the Saturdays of half term week.

Annual Ecumenical Pilgrimage to Walsingham – Sunday 4th September. For further details see notice at the back of church, or contact John Dixon on 874185

Spectrum (part of the Lincoln Diocese Youth Service) offer **training in Christian Youth Work**, however Youth Workers from any background are welcome. Their next training course, covering 12 sessions is to be held at Little Coates Community Centre, St Michael's Road, Grimsby, starting 11th October. If you are interested please contact Mr Dave Rose, Lincoln Diocesan Youth Worker, on 01522 529241 or email dave.rose@churcharmy.net The cost for the course is £35.

Stones Place Methodist Home for the Aged cordially invite you to their **Autumn Fair** to be held on **Saturday 4th September**, 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm.

Churches Together in All Lincolnshire, Church in Society Committee working with Local strategic Partnerships, Local Authorities, the NHS and the Voluntary Sector. **The New Old – the effect of the Demographic Timebomb**. An opportunity to hear demographic research from the think tank, Dems and discuss what we can do as individuals, as organisations and as a society to prepare ourselves for these inevitable changes in our society.

Areas to be debated – Health, Education, Employment, Volunteering, Planning, Housing, Social Care, Pensions, Transport.

Where:- Horncastle College When:- **Friday 12th November 9.45 am – 4.00 pm**

Cost Public and Private sector £30, Voluntary sector and individuals £20. Unwaged – Free

Please come and join in this important debate. Mark the date in your diary now. More details soon.

Notices:- Please pass all information for the next notice sheet, **planned for Sunday 5th September** to Angela by Wednesday 1st September latest. Tel: - (01522) 822981 or email angela.reast1@ntlworld.com. Thank you.