

BURTON ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

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“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 a celebration of worship here today. May all know the touch of God’s hand and blessing on their lives.

Sunday 23rd May 2004- Aldersgate Sunday

10.30 am – Rev. Stephen Brown, service of Holy Communion and Healing

On duty:-	Vestry	Door	Instrumentalist	Flowers
10.30 am	John	Mary	Michael, Angela	Joan

Junior Church – **Group 1:-** Dorothy, Sarah B. **Group 2:-** Peter, Sarah E.

Next Sunday 30th May 2004 - Pentecost

10.30 am – Mrs Val Fane

On duty:- Dorothy, Jim, Michael

Please note there will be no holiday club on this date, however the room and toys will be available for children under adult supervision.

Revelation 22 v 12 –13

“Behold, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

Please pray

...for Val and Maureen preparing our worship for next week.

...for Pauline and Jim, as Pauline goes to attend her God-daughters’ graduation in America.

...for Anna and her family, as she recovers from her operation and prepares herself for radiation therapy.

...for all migrant workers in Lincolnshire.

...for Angela as she prepares to go into hospital next week for tests, and for Peter and the children as they support her.

...for Evelyn Burt, Grandmother of Claire, Emma and Helen, as she prepares for her operation next month.

Almighty God
Who called Abraham to be a wanderer
In search of a promised land
We pray for the migrant workers in our midst at this time,
For their well-being, and for their families,
And we seek justice for those who are in the hands
Of the cruel and unjust.
We pray for all those who are working to support them
And those who offer them the hand of friendship.
We ask this in the name of Jesus our Lord
Who came to bring Good News to the Poor
And to set the prisoners free. AMEN

THIS WEEK.....

	Rota due in today	
Sunday		
Monday	6.00 pm	Prayer Meeting in the church
	6.30 pm	16 th Lincoln Scouts in the hall
Tuesday	6.30 pm	16 th Lincoln Scouts in the hall
	7.30 pm	Housegroup at 35 Mill Road
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Ladies Club – The real Queen Mother, Mrs Jean Townsend
	7.00 pm for 7.30 pm	Circuit Meeting
Thursday	7.30 pm	Housegroup at 4 Mount Street
	7.30 pm	Poacher Morris in the hall
	7.30 pm	Lincoln Herb Society in the lounge
Friday	5.30 pm	Special Agents in the Church
	7.30 pm	Activ8 in the Church

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 07930814553

Around Lincoln this week (see notices below)

Wednesday – Circuit meeting at Burton Road

Thursday – Explorations 2004 – at St Nicholas Church

Friday – Final day for suggestions re the Grosseteste dialogues

Sunday – At St Peters and St Paul's Roman Catholic Church, Skellingthorpe Road, United Service for Pentecost Sunday

Bible reading notes for the next 3 months are available on the table at the back of the church. Please help yourself.

Rotas – Please prayerfully consider your commitments for the coming 3 months then advise the appropriate people **today** :- Door – John, Vestry – Angela, Instrumentalists – Michael, Junior Church – Elizabeth. Thank you.

Many congratulations to Rev. Geoff Harris on the publication of his new book 'Mission in the Gospels'

Congratulations to Garth on his new job as 'ICT Coordinator and Upper Key Stage 2 Team leader' at a school in Sleaford, with effect from September 2004. Half an hour nearer home too!

Faith walkers - Our next walk is planned to take place on 19th June, at Stapleford Woods and is between 8 and 9 miles in length. This walk is only suitable for walkers. We will be leaving Burton Road Methodist Church at 10 am. Please bring a packed lunch. Please advise Mark, (01522 806784), Glenn ((01522) 530150, or John (01522) 750082 if you intend to come. Finally could we encourage you to ask friends or family to come along and enjoy the great outdoors, as the vision is to reach out to people through this simple activity.
(see end of notices)

Pauline has **NCH Bulb Order forms** available for you to order your bulbs for the garden for next Spring. The bulbs are good quality, as those who ordered them last year will tell you. If you would like an order form please see Pauline. The orders need to be returned to her before 12th July. All profits go to the work of NCH, the children's charity.

Would all those **in possession of** Burton Road Methodist Church **keys**, and their husbands/wives please make themselves know to Mary, in order to fulfil Safeguarding regulations.

Wednesday 26th May – Circuit meeting 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm here at Burton Road Methodist Church. All members are welcome to attend, however only representatives from Burton Road to the meeting are eligible to vote.

United Service on Pentecost Sunday, Sunday 30th May at 3.00 pm at St Peter and St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, Skellingthorpe Road, Speaker: - The Rt. Rev. John Saxbee, Bishop of Lincoln.

Just 10 Lincolnshire

Pauline Warden has been appointed liaison person for the Just 10 Lincoln Mission 2005. If anyone is interested in becoming more involved in the mission – for example in helping in friendship evangelism, please get in touch with her. She will be bringing news of the Mission preparations in the coming months and hope to encourage each one of us to take a friend to the Cathedral to listen to J. John:- April – June 2005.

We are encouraged to pray for the Mission in groups of 3, especially during this time of preparation. Please give your name to Pauline if you would like to join a prayer triplet.

Dates from the Church Management Meeting

- 12.6.04 – Barbeque at the Hick's House, 5pm – 8 pm. Please speak to Garth re directions and Elizabeth re special dietary requirements.
- 4.7.04 – Church picnic following Junior Church Anniversary
- 14.8.04 – Outing to Sutton on Sea

Dates from Church Council

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| 4.7.04 Junior Church Anniversary | 8.7.04 Church Council |
| 18/19.9.04 Harvest weekend | 2/3.10.04 Church Weekend, speaker Revd Ian Brown |
| 9.10.04 Visit of Methodist History Society | 12.10.04 Church Council |
| 21.11.04 Taize service | 27/28.11.04 Centenary Celebration Weekend |
| 28.11.04 am service led by Revd David Perry, Chairman | |
| 19.12.04 Christingles & Carols | 24.12.04 Crib & Midnight Services |
| 29.1.05 New Year Party | 5/6.3.05 Children's weekend |
| 6.4.05 Just 10 Lincolnshire begins | 15.5.05 Wednesday groups service |
| 3.7.05 Junior Church Anniversary | |
| 3/4.9.05 'A bit of a do' for us at the end of our busy Centenary year. | |

During our Centenary year we have invited past Ministers to preach. Those already confirmed are:
19.9.04 am Revd Harold Bowes, Harvest
27.3.05 am Revd Alan Barker, Easter AW, HC
19.6.05 am and pm Revd Terry Nowell

St Nicholas Church, Newport presents **Explorations 2004. 'Why Christianity makes sense'**.
A series of three opportunities to explore the Christian faith with John Saxbee, Bishop of Lincoln on Thursdays starting at 7.30 pm.

27th May – Making sense of who we are. Please see notice at back of church for further details.

The Grosseteste Dialogues:- Funding has been provided to run a project to organise, record and publish dialogues between scientists and religious adherents and thus share knowledge and opinions on issues arising from science affecting people's daily lives.
A series of dialogues and debates will be held during Lent 2005 at Lincoln Cathedral and dedicated to the memory of Robert Grosseteste, thirteenth century scientist, Bishop of Lincoln and Chancellor of Oxford University. Suggestions for topics should be forwarded to DR P G Smith, Department of Biological Sciences, University of Lincoln, Brayford Pool, Lincoln LN6 7TS, email:- pghsmith@lincoln.ac.uk by 28th May 2004. For further information see letter at the back of the church.

Worshipping, learning, enjoying, sharing – Saturday 5th June at 8.00 pm at Nichol Hill Methodist Church, Louth – Richard Iball from Headway. Headway is a movement of the Methodists committed to prayer for revival and witness to the evangelical faith. Further information from Rev Mark Lawrence or Rev Eric Ball.

Notices:- Please pass all information for the **notice sheet** to Angela by Wednesday latest.
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