

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

Minister:- Rev Stephen Brown, 1 Ancaster Avenue, Lincoln LN2 4AY. (01522) 525064

Pastoral Worker:- Peter Reast, (01522) 822981. Email:- peter.reastfamily1@ntlworld.com

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

Welcome to all, may you come to feel the peace of the living Lord.

Sunday 16th October

10.30 am – Mr Garth Hicks

7.00 pm – Alpha

On duty:-	Vestry	Door	Instrumentalists	Flowers
am	Angela	Joan	Pauline	Joy

Junior Church:- Elizabeth, Andi, Sarah E., Claire

Sunday 23rd October

10.30 am – Rev. Stephen Brown

7.00 pm – Alpha

On duty:- Jim, Barbara W., Michael, Angela.

Please pray

...for Stephen and Maureen preparing worship for next weekend

...for the Faithwalker members as they take up the Mam Tor Challenge

...for all Christian workers and nationals caught up in the Pakistan Earthquake Disaster....that they might have wisdom and God's peace in the midst of so much suffering.

...for the problems in Uzbekistan, and all the foreign workers there who are being denied visas.

The week ahead

Monday	6.30 pm	Prayer Meeting in the Church
	6.30 pm	16th Lincoln Scouts in the Hall
Tuesday	6.00 pm	16th Lincoln Beavers in the Lounge
	6.30 pm	16th Lincoln Cubs in the Hall to include Group AGM
Wednesday	2.30 pm	Wednesday Afternoon Fellowship
Thursday	7.30 pm	Housegroup
	7.30 pm	Poacher Morris in the Hall
Friday	6.00 pm	Special Agents

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

Shopping for Nomad This year we will be collecting food, toiletries and cleaning items requested by Nomad, as our Harvest appeal. Next Sunday there will be a box in church for us to put our contributions. Please choose from: Flour, Cereals, Gravy mix, Custard Powder, UHT milk, Pastry & Sponge mix, Sugar, Tea & Squash, Herbs & Spices, Pasta Sauces, Tinned meats, Jam, Cooking oil, Paper towels, Washing powder, Floor cleaner, Antibacterial cleaner, Washing up liquid, Dish cloths, Toilet rolls, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Air freshener, Cream cleanser, Disposable gloves. Thank you!

Our income during the summer months amounted to June £1017.20, July £980.49 and August £818.88. We give thanks for Gods provision and continue to seek His prompting in our giving.

Methodist Publishing House have sent Prayer cards and calendars, a catalogue including gifts for Christmas and information in 'Methodist Matters' re Methodism nationally. Feel free to borrow copies from the table at the back of church.

Collage materials needed Please could you save anything that would be suitable for making collages e.g. Sweet wrappers, bits of wool or material, also wool for embroidering decorations at the Children and Young peoples Weekend on the 5th November. Please give your 'bits' to Elizabeth. Thank you.

Film Nights are here again! On Monday 31st October we will be showing a film for the family at 6pm.....'The Incredibles'. Admission free, details next week.

There will be a meeting for **Junior Church Staff** and the helpers for the Children and Young People's weekend on **Tuesday 18th October**, 7.45 pm at 202 West Parade (Sarah's House). These two meetings have been combined to ease workload and meeting fatigue! Hope to see you there. Thanks Elizabeth and Garth.

From the weekly prayer e-letter of **Operation Mobilisation** we learn that there is growing evidence of restrictions on foreign workers being granted visas to work in Central Asia. Two long term workers in Uzbekistan are unable to get back into the country after officials refused to renew their yearly visas. Please pray for comfort and guidance for those who have been denied visas, for wisdom, boldness and protection for those who remain and for strength and awareness of God's presence for local believers.

Children/Young People's Activity Weekend – We are having a children's/young people's activity weekend on Saturday/Sunday 5th/6th November, led by Colin Draper of Scripture Union. There will be craft activities, games and lots of fun. We think it is a great opportunity for you to invite your friends along. It will be for 5 to 14 year olds and the admission will be free. You and your friends will need to complete a booking form by 27th October, so please see Elizabeth or Garth or ring 821901 or email hicksfamily@ntlworld.com for a booking form.

Saturday will be 9.45 am – 3.30 am *

Sunday will be All Age Worship at 10.30 am to which all the family are invited to share with us what we have been doing over the weekend. The weekend will close with drinks and biscuits after the service.

*Please bring a packed lunch.

Don't be bored at the end of the holidays – come and have fun with us !

Leonard and Joy Mitchell invite you to join them in celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary by sharing with them in a buffet style meal on Sunday 16th October 2005, between 12 midday and 6.00 pm at 173 Yarborough Road. Partners and children are welcome but **please NO cards or gifts**. Access to the property can be a little difficult (steepish slopes and steps), please phone 526403 for assistance.

We still have a few more slots to fill for the **Time For God girls**. They are available in the day time on Fridays and Bo-ram on Tuesday mornings and Phoebe on Tuesday afternoons. If there are any groups which you know could benefit from an extra pair of hands please could you let LEANNE know. Thank you contact: LEANNE at the Youth Office T: 01522 527721

Old Age Presents the Church with New Opportunities' Elaine Robinson will run this session on inclusive ways of working with older people in the life of the church. Issues considered will include 'praying with and praying for, doing with and doing to' and 'why is ageing a spiritual issue?'

Barnby Gate Methodist Church, Newark Thursday 20th October, 7.30-9.30pm Led by Elaine Robinson

Cost £5. Please send booking form to N/D District Help by Friday 14th October 2005 or simply print your name, address, Circuit name, title, cost of course and e-mail address on a suitable piece of paper and send to N/D District Help - **123 Lime Grove Newark, NG24 4AG**

We are again invited to enter a team in the **Brain of Ingham Quiz** on **Friday 14th October** at 7.30 pm in Ingham and Cammeringham Village Hall, The Green, Ingham. Admission is £1.50 per person, including light refreshments. This is a light-hearted general knowledge quiz arranged by Ingham Methodist Church. We have not yet sent a team (4 people) so will this be the year we go for the first time ? Please let Angela know so a supporters club can be arranged !!!

A message from Peter Pillinger. Helen, Simon and I have been grateful for the warm welcome we have received from God's people at Burton Road Methodist. Many of you are old friends but some of you will not know us and all of you may be wondering what is happening when a Methodist minister arrives at your church but is not your minister.

18 months ago the Church of England produced a report called 'Mission-shaped Church'. Graham Horsley, Church Planning and Evangelism secretary at Methodist HQ had a hand in its production, so it is sort of ecumenical. The report [which is a good read!!!] outlines the state of the church and British society and makes some recommendations to the C of E. This has led to the Archbishops of Canterbury and York setting up a new mission organisation called Fresh Expressions. The Methodist Church has 'bought into' Fresh Expressions and I have been appointed as the Methodist 'Fresh Expressions Missioner'. If the 90% of the British population who are not active in the church were going to come to what we already offer they would already be there! So we have to develop fresh expressions of the eternal Good News and that is what Fresh Expressions is all about. If you are on the internet you can see more details on www.freshexpressions.org.uk.

It is a tremendous privilege to serve God this way and a very different lifestyle. Last week I was in Manchester on Wednesday, Dunblane on Thursday, Oxford on Friday and Nottingham on Saturday. You can see why I was not preaching on Sunday! As I said above we are grateful for your support and I would welcome your prayers for me in this new ministry. To help you do this I have written down some key diary appointments of October below. God bless you. Pete Pillinger

Week beginning Sun 16th

Monday - Church reviews meeting - London

Tuesday - Mission accompaniment meeting Cliff College

Thursday - Natural Church development reportback - Keelby

Saturday - Voice of Methodism Trustees - Huddersfield

Week beginning Sun 23rd - No appointments this week - half term

Week beginning Sun 30th

Wednesday & Thursday - Building Bridges of Hope conference - London

Friday and Saturday - Fresh Expressions conference, Wakefield Diocese /West Yorks District

SOS – the circuit needs a new Treasurer. Robin Harbottle is retiring and we are urgently seeking a new Circuit Treasurer for Robin to assist over the next year, before he hands over completely. Please ring Stephen if you are interested.

Don't forget to **sign up for Songs of Praise** in Lincoln Cathedral. See notice at back of church.

NEEMA CHILDRENS CENTRE (NCC) – This Children's Centre had been discussed at Synod, when it was stated information would be sent to all churches should anyone wish to offer help. Further information is available on the letter at the back of the Church, however if you wish to donate cheques should be sent to Robert Gillingwater, 15 Pelham Ave Scartho, Grimsby, DN33 3NA. He will send it on to Methodist Church House. From there it goes to the Kenya Conference Office, on to Kawangware Methodist Church, and finally to Neema. A covering letter should state clearly that the money is for Neema Children Centre

The Methodist Church Lincoln North Circuit Seeks to appoint a full-time CHURCH & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER This is an exciting new opportunity to develop contact, relationships and understanding between the communities and the church for the purposes of outreach, mission and service within the Burton Road, Ermine West and the West End areas of Lincoln. The successful candidate will

- Help churches understand the spiritual and practical needs of the communities and how they may help to meet those needs
- Act as catalyst, trainer and encourager to bring the churches to the communities and the communities to the churches

Salary £17,376 per annum plus expenses, pension scheme and opportunities for personal development.

We welcome applications from highly motivated, committed Christians with a mature faith and proven communication skills. A working knowledge of the Methodist Church at Circuit and local level will be an advantage. For an application form and a job description please contact: Rev Stephen Brown, 01522 525064 or email stephenbro@ntlworld.com.

The closing date for applications is 31 October 2005

Notices: - Please pass all information for the next notice sheet to Angela Reast **by Wednesday at the latest**. Tel: - (01522) 822981 or email reastfamily1@ntlworld.com. Thank you.