



Burton Road Methodist Church, Lincoln



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.
- Worshiping together as a family.
- Welcoming and loving everyone.
- Serving the community around us.



Minister: Rev Stephen Brown, 1 Ancaster Avenue, Lincoln, LN2 4AY.

Tel. (01522) 525064

Church and Community Development Worker: Peter Reast, Tel. (01522) 822981.

Email: cworker@lincolnmethodist.org.uk

Should you require help which you think we may be able to provide, but feel unable to approach anyone whilst here, please do contact Stephen Brown or Peter Reast.

Large print Bibles, Hymn, Service and Song books/sheets are available, please ask at the door.

Sunday 02nd April 2006

10.30am – Peter Reast (All age worship)

On Duty – John, Margaret D, Pauline, Barbara W

(Drinks will be served after the service when children will invite donations for the work of the Junior Missionary Association.)

Sunday 09th April 2006

10.30am – Peter Pillinger (No Junior Church)

On Duty – Angela, Joan, Michael and Helen



Local Prayer:

- For Peter P and Stephen as they prepare to lead worship next week.
- We give thanks for the Circuit Church2U bus and all who are helping get it roadworthy and pray that the ongoing mechanical faults will swiftly be put right, and for patience whilst this happens.



Global Prayer:

FROM THE WEEKLY PRAYER REQUESTS OF OPERATION MOBILISATION ..."Hoops of Hope", an American Christian semi-pro basketball team specialising in games for kids, will be performing in Rome, from March 25 - April 3. OM Italy's Chuck & Krissie Cilano report their job will be to transport the team to local sports arenas where they will help distribute Hoops of Hoop programmes with a gospel message, and gospels of John. This is the teams second visit to Italy, and last time saw hundreds of young people go to centre court to make decisions for Christ. Please pray that God will use the team once again to reach young people in Rome.

NOTICES

The week ahead...

Monday	6.30pm	Prayer Meeting (In church).
Tuesday	7.30pm	House Group at 35 Mill Road
Wednesday	2.30pm	Wednesday Afternoon Fellowship – 'Members Afternoon'
	7.30pm	House Group at 4 Mount Street.
Thursday	7.30pm	Poacher Morris (Hall)
Friday	6pm	Special Agents
Saturday	9am	Faithwalkers – Sherwood Forest

Crocheting! A popular pastime?!

My friend Kathryn, who is currently serving as a mission partner in the Solomon Islands, has recently started to help out at a Girls Brigade company over there. She is asking people from the churches who support them here to send her wool and crochet hooks (not knitting needles). Crocheting is a popular pastime in the Solomon Islands and the girls want to practice their skills. Any unwanted balls of wool and hooks can be passed to me and I will arrange for them to be sent out there.

Many thanks
Helen

The next Wednesday Afternoon Fellowship meeting is on the 5th April at 2.30pm. 'Members Afternoon'.

Prayer meeting, 6.30pm, Every Monday, in the church. It meets each week, except Bank Holidays when we would encourage you to pray together at 18.30pm from your own homes.

Korean Night, Sat 29th April at 7pm. Taste the food, wear the clothes play the games of Korea. Tickets from Leanne in the Youth Office (tel 527721), £4 in advance or £5 on the door. Concessions £3

Very Advance notice **Global Day of Prayer**

Sunday 4th June
Lincolnshire Showground
2pm-4.30pm More details to follow.

Gods Call to a Nation in Crisis – What is God saying to His people today?

Lincoln Maranatha Meeting, Saturday 29th April, 10.30am -1.00pm at Bailgate Methodist Church; followed by picnic lunch (drinks provided). Maranatha meeting 2.00 – 4.00pm, to which we invite everyone to stay for Praise and Worship. (Poster on notices board).

Sunday Trading: The Government is making moves to change Sunday Trading laws to allow shops and supermarkets to be open all day, rather than the current rule of 6 hours opening.

This is despite more than 70% of the public who were polled on this matter saying they did not wish to see any extension of the current opening hours and agreed that it would be detrimental to society.

There is an Early Day Motion (EDM 1085) that has been signed by 214 MPs stating that they cherish the importance of Sundays as a collective day of rest and worship, and as a day for families to spend together.

The Keep Sunday Special website (www.keepsundayspecial.org.uk) has further information and an online petition, should you wish to make representation to Parliament on this matter. Writing to your local MP would also be a good way of expressing concerns. (Information from Rev Ian Brown).

Circuit Management Meeting:
7.30pm, Thursday 6th April, at Nettleham Methodist Church.

Bailgate Methodist Church Choir are singing at 2.30pm on Sunday 2nd April. As apposed to the morning performance previously advertised.

Quiz Night

Thursday 6th April
7.30 - 9pm

In support of Boram (TFG) and Circuit children's and youth work. Teams of up to 6 people are invited (£5 per team). Contact Leanne at Youth Office tel527721, if you are taking a team for this fun night of bible, mystery, history, music, entertainment, sport and general knowledge questions.



The Easter Offering is run by Women's Network each year, but it enables the whole church to give to the work of the Methodist Church Fund for World Mission. Grants are made from this fund to the 61 Methodist Partner Churches overseas for training and support of their work, and for funding special projects and other work. We ask for your prayerful support. Please take an envelope and give whatever you can, so that this work can continue. The Partner Churches are very grateful for our support. The envelopes can be put on the collection plate until the Sunday after Easter (23rd April). The Circuit Easter Offering service will be held at St Giles Methodist Church on Sunday, 7th May at 3 pm. Everyone is welcome.



Prayer Request from Jean Ball:

Please would you pray for Ellie age 9 and her parents Debbie and Chris who are members of the church where my son in law is Minister. Ellie has a malignant tumour on her spine and after surgery is now having chemotherapy which is very distressing.

Please pray for healing for Ellie and strength for Debbie and Chris and Matthew and Alison as pastors.



Prayer Circle. Last year my daughter Vicky went into hospital for an operation. The date came up very suddenly and we needed prayer quickly. I rang Angela to ask her who to ring to get into the prayer circle and discovered there wasn't one!

A prayer circle or prayer chain was something we had at my last church and it works like this; if you wish for prayers then you ring the co-ordinator of the circle, they then ring the next person on the list and that person rings the next person and so on down the list. If you are interested in joining the prayer chain please either call me (Catherine Ross on 01522 884819) or add your name to the circle on the notice board.

New information leaflets are

now at the back of church re: 'Rock or Sand' – a conference for preachers at Swanwick; Cliff College Spring Bank Festival; Epworth Old Rectory; NCH Spring/Summer news; Lincolnshire Methodist History Society.

Human, humorous, complex and shocking, the earliest account of Jesus is brought to life in a new translation with video and music.

"A mesmerising one-man show of sheer brilliance." The Argus. Inspired by an encounter with Bob Geldof at Euston Station and created in response to 9/11 and its aftermath...

"I doubt you'll see a show as truthful as this in many, many years."

Three Weeks ...this Jesus is no lamb-to-the-slaughter but a raging resistance fighter for God. "A very Jewish, very apocalyptic Christ, uncompromising, fiery, ungentle, uncomfortable, severe and challenging."

"Herald Seen on BBC's Songs of Praise and, in Scotland, on Grampian TV's Sunday Service (11th & 18th July, 2004)

"The radical message has never sounded so revolutionary and utterly sensible." The Scotsman "Don't think I came to bring peace to the world..." [Matthew 10.34]

"Most unusually for contemporary drama on this theme, Dillon's Gospel of Matthew is wholly authentic to the biblical text. Dillon brings out levels of meaning in Matthew rarely heard in pulpits. His rendering of Jesus' righteous anger is simply shattering; his Lord's Prayer has an all-to-rare note of urgency." The Baptist Times

The performance is at 8pm on Tuesday 4th April at the Lincoln Drill Hall, Tickets are £8 (£6 concessions, £5 students) and are available from the Box Office in person or by calling 01522 873894

For further information on the show and George Dillon, visit

www.georgedillon.com

Theatre Workshop:

Friends and members of Gainsborough Youth Group have devised two days of Theatre Workshops on the theme Virtual Reality to take place during the Easter holidays. Young people from ages 10-16 are invited to take part in two intensive days of arts activities that will culminate in a performance for friends and family.

The workshops will take place on Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th April at Gainsborough Methodist Church from 10.00am – 4.00pm. In addition to this, the concluding production begins at 7.30pm on the Wednesday.

Participants need to bring £3.00 per day, a packed lunch and wear loose clothing and trainers (please bring any instruments or dance shoes). A tuck shop will also be available. Tickets for the production will be sold on the doors and in advance from the Theatre Workshops Team: Adults £3.00, 5-16s £1.50 and children under the age of five are free.

For further details on attending or volunteering at the event please contact Victoria Smith on 07903343385 or Victoria@gyg.org.uk

? Do you like quizzes? Joan Markham has quiz sheets for sale at £1.00 each. The money raised is for the Church Weekend Away. Please return the completed sheets by Sunday 30th April to either Joan or Maureen. In the event of a tie, a winner will be drawn from the correct entries, and a small prize will be awarded to the winner. ?

Looking ahead to April

Thurs 13th Maundy Service 7.30pm

Sun 23rd Alpha begins

Wed 26th Faithwalkers : Nettleham

Next Notices

Please pass all information for the next notice sheet to Angela Reast by next Wednesday (01522) 822981 or angela.reast@ntlworld.com Thank you.

Pray for Peter P

as he continues preparing for Easter People with responsibilities for line-managing the all age venue and various other rooms at Scarborough, and develops a network of people who can accompany churches and teams of people who want to do new things. Pray that this work will progress, all involved will fulfil their roles, there will be no setbacks, and God will protect and strengthen the work and Peter. Also thank God for the success of a major Missions Conference last week in Sheffield where Methodists were the biggest denominational group and there were three Chairs of District, and thank Him for the excellent reception at the Methodist Diaconal Convocation and for all the work in new things they are doing.



Some News from Church Council

Alpha Course is postponed from April to start in Autumn. Dates to follow soon.
House groups will continue on Tuesday, and Thursday (changing to Wednesday); both will welcome new comers.

Prayer circle – see above.

Decision on position of projector screen deferred to June Church Council.

Family Film Nights can continue at Halloween, Christmas, Valentines, Easter.

Sunday Road closures: Churches Together in Lincoln to be approached.

Appointments – see notices.

Burton Rd Assessment to Circuit is being increased by £500 p.a.

Church Barbecue and Seaside outing dates to be arranged.

Men's Group, with Speakers, will start monthly meetings on 3rd Wednesday in September.

Some dates from Church Council 28th March 06

Maundy Thursday service, 13 Apr 06, 7.30pm, Rev Alan Barker

Easter Sunday, 16 Apr 06, 10.30am all age Holy Communion, Rev Stephen Brown and 6.00pm

Rev Alan Barker

Christian Aid Coffee morning, Sat. 13th May

Wednesday Groups service 21 May 06 Laura Macbean

Harvest weekend 17/18 Sept 06

Junior Church Anniversary 15 Oct 06

Home Missions 5. Nov 06

Taizè 19 Nov 06