



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.



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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 09th April 2006

10:30 am – Peter Pillinger (No Junior Church) 'Palm Sunday'

On Duty – Angela, Joan, Michael and Helen

Sunday 16th April 2006

10:30 am – Stephen Brown (All age worship) Service of Holy Communion 'Easter Sunday'

On Duty – Angela, Michael and John

06:00 pm – Alan Barker

On Duty – John and Pauline



Local Prayer:

- For Stephen as he prepares to lead worship next week.
- That we all will be able to take time to get closer to God during Holy Week.
- For Peter R whose work this week includes a training day regarding 'The Voluntary Sector' on Wednesday, and as he prepares to preach at Lincoln Chinese Church on Easter afternoon.
- For Peter P as he prepares for Easter People and attends an East Midlands Ministerial Training Course in Nottingham; and with Helen, Si and Lizzie that they all may enjoy quality family time together whilst Lizzie is home from Uni.
- For Margaret and Ivy as they support one another.
- For those who are dealing with difficult family and health issues, that Gods peace will be felt midst all the turmoil and trust in Him will grow.



Global Prayer:

Our Global prayer request this week continues the theme of drought in East Africa from the reports of Tearfund, who tell us that the worst affected area in terms of human suffering is northern and north-east Kenya where up to 3.5 million people are in urgent need of food and water. An estimated 73,000 children under five are already suffering from moderate to severe malnutrition. In somalia, where 1.4 million people are in need of help, thousands of people are reported to be on the move in a desperate search for food and water - in a country where about 380,000 people have been displaced by war.

Please continue to pray for Tearfund, it's partners and others who are seeking to bring relief into this desperate situation. Also continue to stand with our African brothers and sisters in Christ as they PRAY FOR RAIN.

NOTICES

The week ahead...

Monday	6.30pm	Prayer Meeting (In church).
Tuesday	7.30pm	House Group at 35 Mill Road
Wednesday	7.30pm 7.30pm	Ladies Club Theatre trip/Hairdressing House Group at 4 Mount Street.
Thursday	7.30pm	Maundy Thursday Service (service of Holy Communion)

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.

The next Wednesday Afternoon Fellowship meeting is on the 19th 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 or £5 on the door. Concession £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).

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.



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).

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@gvg.org.uk*

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.



Church2yoU Project Prayer Points:

1. Please pray that the mechanical faults will be fixed swiftly and within budget
 2. Thank God for Jim, the mechanic, who knows his stuff about fixing busses, and loves the Lord
 3. Please pray that the ministry of the bus can begin as soon as possible
 4. Pray for Ian Brown to have patience in these matters
- If you would like to be kept up to date please contact Edwin on Church2yoUprayer@hotmail.co.uk or in person.
We need your regular support in prayer.....Galatians 6: v 9

A Bereavement Meeting with Rev Marjorie Maltby will be held at 10.30am on Monday April 10th at 2 Carisbrooke Close. Anyone who is bereaved and lonely are most welcome.

St Georges Day Parade, 23rd April 06 Following our service the Hall will be available for families to eat their packups and change before joining their uniformed groups.

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.



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.

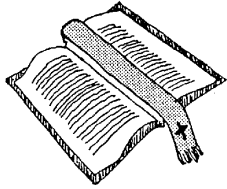
Looking ahead to April

Wed 26th Faithwalkers : Nettleham

Thursday 13 April 2006

19:30 pm – Alan Barker (Maundy Thursday Service) 'Service of Holy Communion'

On Duty – John and Angela.



A message from Ivy

Jeremiah 17 v14

*“Heal me Lord and I shall be healed,
Save me and I shall be saved
For you are my Praise”*

Thank you for all your prayers over these past months. I am so joyful to be able to tell you of the healings I have received. I have known the peace of inner healing, of Jesus present in my trials and hardships over past years, as He is with all of us when we really stop to see Him there. I have also been given back movement in my left knee muscles which had been missing for over fifteen years. There is another healing waiting to be received. My left hip bone has crumbled and I have opted to have a hip joint replacement. Our God surely has given the orthopaedic surgeon a wonderful skill. At the moment I am only able to sit for a very short space of time, making it impossible for me to come to a church service. I miss you all and want you to know that I shall be praying for you and with you each day.
Love Ivy.

Prayer Meeting:

Following the West Parade Management group meeting on march 27th we thought it was important to pray in and around the premises of West Parade and a prayer meeting has been arranged for 1pm on Good Friday April 14th and New Life will be joining us.

Songs of Praise:

West Parade Methodist Church
Saturday April 22nd
2-4pm including refreshments
Come and join us for a Songs of Praise Celebration as we send off the Organ to its new home in Italy.

Play:

Kingdom Come - The Life of Christ, 7.30pm Saturday May 6th, Bailgate Methodist Church, Lincoln. Performed by Professional actor, Eric Petrossian, this play is suitable for both Christians and non-Christians alike and is a powerful culturally relevant presentation of the 4 Gospels, all performed by 1 man. Tickets £5, Under 18 £3 For bookings call 01522 751259 or email k.young260@ntlworld.com

Good Friday Services:

Friday 14th April

- Bailgate Methodist Church 10.30 am
- City Cenotaph 12.00 noon

Tree Planting

The money which we collected over Lent to go towards tree planting and the fruits of tree planting can be given to either Joan Markham or Hilary Maughan, by the 30th April, please.

We thank God for prompting our giving of £933.16 during March to the upkeep and work of the church in this community.



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.

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 notices.

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

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