

# Burton Rd Methodist Church, Lincoln



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Burton Rd Methodist Church is committed to bringing people to Christ through Gods 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

## Welcome to our worship

Large print service books and sheets are available at the door

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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, do contact Stephen or Peter

## Welcome to our visitors today

**Sunday 21st October 2007**

**10.30am** Mrs Maureen Birch

On Duty Dorothy Michael BarbaraW

**NB Change to Plan: not All age Worship,  
no Junior Church & Church weekend away**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2007**

**10.30pm** Mr Alan Measures

On Duty Jim BarbaraL Pauline Rob

**no Junior Church**

## PRAYER MATTERS!

**For this week particularly, please pray...**

... for Alan & Stephen as they prepare worship for next week.

...for calm and peace to come to the St Giles area, and attacks on the church to cease.

... against the increasing use of the 'drink-spiking' drug Rohytnol in clubs and bars and the increasing number of 'drug dealers' moving into the student culture.

... that there will be a positive response to our invitations and advertising for Film Night.

... for safe journeys for those going away this school holiday, and rest for all involved in education as parents and professionals.

REPORT FROM BURKINA FASO WITH TEARFUND...Government figures released this week showed that more than 46 people died and 95,000 were displaced in the floods that devastated the country a few weeks ago. Of the 13 regions in the country, 11 have been inundated with flood waters, causing the destruction of houses, livestock and agricultural lands. TF is working through partners to enable communities to have access to safe water and sanitation where flooding has destroyed the systems that did exist. PLEASE PRAY for the work going on in Burkina Faso, and for all those involved with bringing relief.

Please pass information and prayers to Angela for our next notices by Wednesday.

Tel. 01522 822981 or Email [angela.reast@ntlworld.com](mailto:angela.reast@ntlworld.com)

**NB No Notices published 4<sup>th</sup> Nov, information to be included in next weeks notices**

## The Week Ahead

Day	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday	10.30am	Service Quest-ians – cancelled (see below)	Church
Monday	6.30pm	Prayer Meeting	Church
Tuesday	7.30pm	Housegroup	See Joan
Wednesday			
Thursday	7.30pm 7.30pm 7.45pm	Poacher Morris Lincolnshire Herb Society Housegroup	Hall Lounge Peter & Angelas
Friday			
Saturday	9.00am 11.00am	Dance school Sound Computer Projector training	Hall & Lounge Church
Sunday	10.30am	Service	Church

**Quest-ians**, unfortunately, has to be cancelled this time, due to lots of circumstances.

'**LIVE**' (Youth Event), at New Life Church, Sunday November 4th. Doors open 6.15 for 6.30 – 8.00pm-ish.

**New Life Communion and Healing** 6.45 for 7pm on Sunday November 4th at New Life Church in the Brayford Suite. Prayer and Contemplation – God looking at me.

**Ladies Club** Wednesday 31st October at 7.30pm in the Hall. Topic - Gemstones with Colin Hornsea.

**Margaret & Ivy** send their greetings – they are having a good break.

**Traidcraft Fairtrade evening.** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October from 6.30pm at Wragby Town Hall (A157 Louth Rd). Christmas Cards & Gifts, Dried fruit, nuts and suga, Crafts from Ethiopia and Nepal, Fair Hampers, African Drumming. Guest Speaker Valerie Taiwo: Africa – our misconceptions. Refreshments. Free admission.

### Message from the Church Treasurer – Joan Markham

I was sorry to have to report to the Church Council recently that our General Account had a debit balance of £1483.28 at 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2007. (The Methodist year runs from September to August). Our quarterly Assessment payments to the Circuit had gone up £400 last year, and about £500 for this current year, and other outgoings, such as insurance, the utilities, repairs, had all increased. However, our income from collections decreased. We receive our collections in 3 ways - cash, envelopes and payments into our bank account by standing order. The total sum was way below what we had hoped for in the budget, and was even less than the previous year, the envelope income being £1000 down, which is a cause for concern. Please remember when you join the envelope scheme, you are committing yourself to fill up the envelopes every week, not just the weeks when you are at church.

It may be that setting up a standing order with your bank to pay a sum into our bank monthly or even weekly would help you as well as me. I will happily give you more details if you wish to do this. Also, Michael Chambers is willing to talk to you about the envelope scheme, and about Gift Aid if you are a tax payer. So I am asking us all to prayerfully consider our giving. Just to cover our Assessment payment alone, we need £5 per person per week. I am sure we will all give this serious thought and prayer, and I thank you all for your giving over the years.

Also, I am retiring as Treasurer in August 2008, having done the job for 8½ years, and I ask for your prayers for us to be able to find a new treasurer.(2)

### **Some News from Church Council meeting, 9 Oct 07**

Circuit Boundary reviews - it is hoped that Lincoln North will not be changed, the process will be complete by 2012.

Concern re shortfall in Income (see separate notice)

Work in hand re woodworm etc., leak in Corridor and Youth Office, and roof ventilation.

Church Development Plan – following a vote Phase 1 & Option A will be further investigated by the Working Group.

Children & Young Peoples Weekend - Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November daytime Theme: Breaking free from Prison [and evening Computer tournament]. Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> - all age service, bring and share lunch (whole church invited), Games afternoon. Help is needed: please tell PeterR if you are able to help at all.

Local Christmas Card - delivery with St Nicholas Church and Bailgate Methodist is being planned.

Lincoln Youth for Christ Gift Day – short DVD will be played and additional offering collected as part of forthcoming services.

### **Some dates for your diary 07 -08**

31 October Film Night (see notice)

17 -18 November Children & Youth weekend (see notice)

18 November 6.00pm Taize service

2 December 10.30am Rev Liz Childs: Church Anniversary service and 4.00pm Christingle

9 December no morning service (Christmas Market weekend), 6.00pm Service

15 December Film Night

16 December 10.30 not all age, Junior Church Christmas Party. 6.00pm Readings and Carols

24 December 3.00pm Crib service (no 'midnight' Communion this year)

Church Party date tbc

16 January 7.30pm Church Council Meeting

17 February 10.30am Overseas Missions service, 6.00pm Taize service

15 March Film Night

20 March 7.30pm Maundy Communion service

Wednesday Groups service date tbc

The Feast 08 date tbc

20-21 '08 September Harvest weekend(2)

**ADDENDUM** At Church Council Elizabeth gave her resignation as Junior Church Leader, with effect from Christmas. Please be prayerful regarding this role, and the Treasurers role. As well as having needed more helpers in Junior Church for some while, a leader is now needed. Please speak with Stephen, Angela or PeterR if you may be able to offer any help regarding this. The Church is grateful for the work Joan and Elizabeth have done.

**Church sound and computer/projector training session.** Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup> at 11.00am in the Church (for 1 hour) - a brief session on using the system, aiming to establish a rota for services. **Suitable for teenagers up.**

**Family Film Night** Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 6.00pm, showing 'Over the Hedge'PG. If you are able to help, starting 5.30/5.45pm to 8.00pm (or before, if we're cleared up by then) with this outreach, please speak to Mark.

**Our Offerings** during September amounted to £1099.85, which will be used to maintain the Church and our work in our community.(3)

**Used Picture Postcards** If you have any to spare please hand them to Margaret Dickinson. She has a contact who can make use of them. Proceeds go to Missionary Aviation Fellowship. (3)

**Change of Pastoral Committee Date.** The Pastoral Committee will now meet on Monday 29th October 2007 at 7.30pm in the Vestry. Thank you for your help. Stephen.

**NETWORK Celebration:** 20 years of NETWORK, at Moorland Park Methodist Church on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October. All day event, places need to be booked. Details from Dorothy Chambers.

**The Uphill Churches' United Service** is **TODAY** at 3 p.m. at Our Lady's RC Church, Ermine West. It is a Festival Service in St Luke's-tide of Praise for Health and Prayer for Healing. The speaker is the Rev. Jonathan Timmins, (Baptist minister and hospital chaplain) and there will be opportunity for prayer and laying on of hands for healing. Refreshments follow.

**Christian Communities Conversation** – a training opportunity for all involved in leading small groups in the Church and Community. Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November at Trinity Methodist Church, Immingham, from 10.00am to 4.00pm. Booking information on the notice board.(3)

**Destination08 Worship Conference** Friday 15<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2008. This promises to be an outstanding weekend of passionate worship and inspirational teaching. Details from New Life Centre, Lincoln.(3)

**Causeway Prospects service** **TODAY**, 3.00pm at Fiskerton Village Hall.

**Delirious concert at the Cathedral** Tickets (standing only, no seating) are available from the Cathedral Shop. Although the concert is on February 15<sup>th</sup> tickets are selling fast. They cost £15 and can be ordered over the phone by ringing the Cathedral shop.(3)

**Week of Prayer for World Peace 2007** an Inter Faith gathering at the University of Lincoln (in the Atrium at the Brayford Campus) **TODAY** at 3.00pm.

**Maranatha Quiet Day** Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November, arrive from 10.15am to start at 10.30am until 4.00pm in Bailgate Church Vestry (back of building). Please bring a packed lunch, drinks provided. Everyone welcome.  
**NB No evening meeting on this day.**