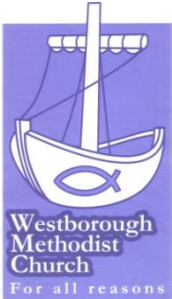


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SUNDAY SERVICE – 25th APRIL
10.30am Revd Graham Morgan

IT'S THE
FRIENDS
WE MEET
along THE WAY
THAT
HELP US
APPRECIATE
THE journey

This newsletter is to keep us all in touch and to share information and any other items that may be useful or uplifting. **ALL CONTRIBUTIONS WELCOME** to the Church Office

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK - Sunday 25th April, 2021

Living Christ,

When malice, spite and hatred plunged the world into the darkest night, Yours was the victory of the easter dawn; light of the world and light of our lives.

When politics combined with bigotry to set ignorance upon a throne Yours was the victory of God; truth for the world and truth of our lives.

When death and emptiness had won the day, Yours was the promise of life renewed; hope of the world and hope of our lives.

When the tomb was sealed and the end was clear, Yours was the ringing claim that death had died; pioneer to the future and pioneer of our lives. Amen.

(Donald Hilton from "Called to praise")

PRAYER REQUESTS



MARGARET (currently in hospital)

ANNA (now at home)

SUE (who has broken her shoulder).

STEPHEN

(who is awaiting news of an operation for kidney cancer)

PRAYER HUB SCARBOROUGH

Prayer Hub Scarborough is available at

www.prayerhubscarborough.org and on Facebook, Twitter,

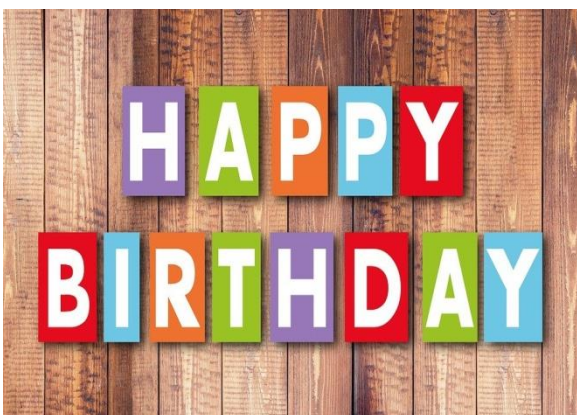
Whatsapp and Instagram - @prayerhubboro



With regular prayers, resources any personal prayers you have or wish to share, anything that you feel is on your heart. Please do get in touch if you would like to know more

tom.nycmcircuit@gmail.com

If you do not have internet access and would like to contribute a prayer please get in touch with Lesley by phone or post.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to anyone celebrating at this time.

Birthday Wishes for April 30th to:

LESLIE

JOHN

PATRICIA

MURIEL

ANNE

would like to thank everyone for the cards and best wishes on her birthday.
She's had a wonderful day.

SUE

would like to thank everyone for the thoughts, phone calls and cards following her broken shoulder. It is going to be a long job with the possibility of an operation if needed. Beanie is looking after me very well! Many thanks to everyone xx

If you have any remembrances, thanksgivings, celebrations or messages that you wish to share please let the Church Office know (Contact details on front page)

ALL WE CAN

Every Wednesday and Friday at 1.17pm, All We Can is sharing positive and uplifting content on the theme of 'Colossians 1:17 – All Things Hold Together' – a series of encouraging broadcasts that you can watch and join in with from the comfort of your home. You can catch them on <https://www.facebook.com/allwecanuk>



Many thanks to everyone who has and continues to support, particularly during these difficult times, as we journey alongside in love, solidarity and support, learning more about how our precious regular gifts help to transform lives. Build Back Better is the aim and the challenge. As we begin to emerge from the latest lockdown, please start to consider how you might involve others in raising funds.

The next One Mission Sunday will be on Sunday, 10th. October.

Sprayed my car with rust remover.



Don't forget to wash your hands



WORSHIPPING FROM HOME



NORTH YORKSHIRE COAST CIRCUIT SERVICE:

These services can be accessed **each week** via the North Yorkshire Coast Methodist Circuit channel

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWbxG6b8fSphBbPQFMYJWpw>

QUEEN STREET offers its weekly service here <http://queenstreet.org.uk/worship>



THE VINE AT HOME

The Vine at Home sheet is attached for your use. It is live-streamed every Sunday Morning at 10.30am on Budleigh Salterton, Exmouth and Lymstone Methodist Churches Facebook page. [Click here](#). It is then posted later onto The Worship Cloud Facebook page

THE DISTRICT all the monthly services are available to watch back on this page of the District Website: www.yorkshirenemethodist.org/district-services/

CONNEXION Methodist Connexion are providing a weekly service sheet (Contact Lesley for copy)

DAILY HOPE offers music, prayers and reflections as well as full worship services from the Church of England at the end of a telephone line. **0800 804 8044** – *set up particularly with those unable to join online church services in mind.*

Join the **President and Vice-President live on Facebook** for their weekly chat and prayers at 12:45 pm every Monday

TELEVISION

BBC 2: Songs of Praise at 1.15pm

RADIO

Radio 4: Sunday Worship at 8.10am
Something Understood at 23.30
Weekday service at 9.45am LW

Circuit Sunday Services are available on CD (audio) and DVD (video)

Please contact Graham or Emma via email or telephone. Thanks to Hilary Sims at South Cliff who prepares these.

Radio York: Sunday Worship 8.00am
Premier Radio

If you would like the complete 'Worship from Home' document please contact Lesley.

“The mission of Westborough Methodist Church is to offer the love of God, and to share our Christian faith, by meeting the needs of all people through pastoral care and service.”

WORSHIP AT WESTBOROUGH FOR APRIL and MAY

10.30am April 25th – Revd Graham Morgan

Order of Service – (Please be aware there may be some differences in verses/words to StF)

Welcome

Prayer

Reading: Psalm 23 – Lesley

Hymn 480 The Lord's my Shepherd

Reading John 10:1-15 – Angela

Address

Hymn 481 The Lord's my Shepherd

Intercessions – Colin

Lord of life

Hear us in Your love

Hymn 479 The King of love my Shepherd is



SERVICES planned for 10.30am at Westborough for April and May

APRIL 28th – Wednesday 10.30am, Midweek Holy Communion, Revd G Morgan

MAY 2nd – Mrs Janette Biltcliffe

9th – Revd Graham Morgan (Holy Communion)

16th – Revd Nigel Spencer

23rd – Revd Pam Ward

26th – Wednesday 10.30am Midweek Holy Communion, Revd N Spencer

30th – Mrs Patricia Mollon



READERS

Please contact Colin if you can read at morning worship during **May**.

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION

A service of Holy Communion will take place on the following **Wednesdays at 10.30 a.m.**

28 th . April	Reverend Graham Morgan
26 th . May	Reverend Nigel Spencer
30 th . June	Reverend Christine Hey
28 th . July	Reverend Graham Morgan
25 th . August	Reverend Pam. Ward
29 th . September	Reverend Graham Morgan
27 th . October	Reverend Graham Morgan
24 th . November	Reverend Graham Morgan



WESTBOROUGH CHURCH SERVICES - GUIDELINES

There will be stewards to guide you through the set up and maintain the stringent hygiene regimes – please follow their advice.

YOU SHOULD FEEL SAFE AND COMFORTABLE IN WORSHIP.

Sunday 25th April at 10.30am led by Revd Graham Morgan

ENTER using the right hand side FRONT ENTRANCE door if you are able. Leave the ramp entry for those who need to use it. Doors will not be open before 10am.

WEAR A MASK (which should cover your mouth and nose)

SANITISE your hands

MAINTAIN 2M SOCIAL DISTANCE from people outside of your household/bubble

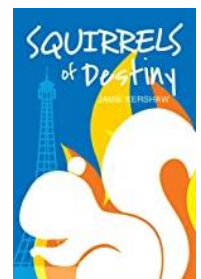
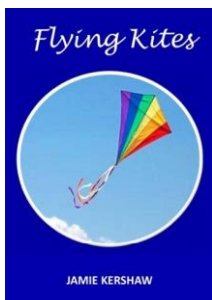
FOLLOW THE ONE-WAY SYSTEM in place within church

Try Alpha Online

TIME TO ASK SOME BIG QUESTIONS?



Just us for our next Alpha Online session on **Monday 26th April at 7pm** as we look at our next big question 'Who is Jesus?'. Everyone is welcome to join as we explore life and faith together. For more information or to register, email tom.nycmcircuit@gmail.com



Local author, Jamie Kershaw, has been busy and details follow regarding two of his latest works.

Flying Kites is a compilation of short works includes passages eg Life in Covid-19 , Assorted Poetry, Topical Essays eg BREXIT, and Scarborough's Economy; Travel Adventures across Canada, round Europe, and a trek across the Yorkshire Dales. The book finishes with humorous tributes to his brother Jonny who tragically committed suicide in June 2020 due to intense mental health and lockdown frustrations.

Flying Kites ISBN9781716297007 is available in paperback via www.lulu.com or from local publishers Farthings Publishing at £12.

Squirrels of Destiny (Authorhouse; 2021) is a modern day epic. The Crew are seven fictitious young men and women in their 20s/30s. The story focuses on their life journeys, psychology, trials and tribulations, theology, philosophy, enterprises, Olympic sport, relationships etc and food and drink are celebrated. There are also many very real references to real people in real places and events. Using the phrase 'Squirrels of Destiny' as a compliment to influential people on many and varying fields of endeavour. Available online at Amazon, Waterstones, or Barnes and Noble (£15/paperback; £20/hardback)

STARTS NEXT WEDNESDAY



JOHN'S WALK & CYCLE TO RAISE FUNDS FOR ST. JAMES'S HOSPITAL ("LEEDS HOSPITALS CHARITY") IN MEMORY OF SYLVIA.



On February 1st 2021 it will be 2 years since Sylvia passed away in Scarborough Hospital. We travelled many times to St James's Hospital along the **A64** covering the **64** mile Journey. Last year Family and Friends sent a small donation to St James's Hospital. This year John decided to do a sponsored walk and cycle to raise more funds for the Hospital along a route to St. James's. "Leeds Hospitals Charity," which includes St James's, is a Charitable Fund which benefit's the patients in their care.

John's elder Son Peterjon was given the task to produce a planned route from Scarborough to St James's. The route was not an easy task and it was longer than 64 miles. John was also advised that it would be better not to enter West Yorkshire due to the Virus and different Tiers (stops for B & B etc.) at the present time so an alternative idea was planned.

It would mean walking from Trafalgar Square, Scarborough to just passed the bottom of Staxton Hill (Ganton Car Sales) covering a distance of 10.7 miles and the return home would be 21.4 miles. If this was done on 3 occasions, then 64.2 miles would be covered. The first time John will walk, the second time he will cycle and the last time he will repeat the walk. The walk and cycle days were to take place between Saturday January 30th & Tuesday February 2nd 2021. However due to "lockdown" it would have been out of order to be outside & covering these distances, so the sensible decision was taken to have the event around a Wedding Anniversary rather than a Funeral Anniversary and everyone agreed, so the new dates are Wed. April 28th to Sat. May 1st 2021. If you wish to support this venture, then please contact John by writing to

Flat A, 37, Trafalgar Square, Scarborough, North Yorkshire. YO12 7PZ You may also wish to **ring or text a message to 07518646094**. Cheques can be made payable to "Leeds Hospitals Charity" and will be forwarded immediately whereas ant cheques to John will be 'held' until after he has completed the event just as any sponsor money will also be collected later.

May I thank all those of you who have already been so generous. John

Jesus looked across the table and asked "So, where have you been the last few months"?

God replied "I've been all round Yorkshire"

Jesus was shocked.."Theres been a pandemic for a year and you've been in Yorkshire!! What were you doing there"?

God smiled and quietly replied "Working from home, son, working from home"

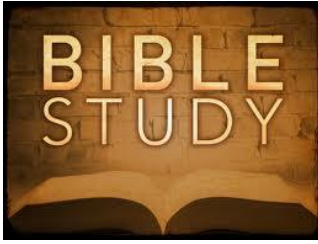
SCARBOROUGH SEAFRONT WALK –

Gimbal walk TV on You Tube.

(Suggest you mute the sound as it is only background music – captions are on the screen)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SIJzVYqgX>

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A WORD IN TIME BIBLE STUDY Romans 8:12-25

These bible studies are available daily using the link below.
<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/the-bible/a-word-in-time/>

... the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. (v. 18)

Background

What a great set of verses to end the week with! For many people Romans 8 would be one of their 'Desert Island Discs' passages. It has been a source of inspiration and comfort to Christians down the centuries but, like all of Paul's writing, it's rooted in the social conditions of his own time and culture. In the first few verses he takes two thoughts that would be very familiar to his readers. One is the theme of debt – a worrying danger in the first century as it is in the twenty-first. Like slavery, it threatened life and took away freedom. Roman Christians knew the consequences of falling into debt all too well. The other theme is of adoption; in a society where family relationships were so important, being able to call someone 'Father' (or 'Abba' in Aramaic, the language of Jesus) carried with it a sense of identity and hope. Being joined to Christ means becoming children of God, sharing the inheritance of God's kingdom.

All of this depends on the Holy Spirit, God at work deep within us. This may be a present experience, but it looks forward to a future in which the whole of God's creation will share in the glory of God. Now Paul takes yet another example from human experience – childbirth. He imagines the whole universe as a woman in labour (verse 22), with all this implies in terms of pain and hopeful expectation. There is something mind-blowing about this. In a few sentences, Paul takes us from the personal to the cosmic. Spirituality is not some personal possession or a self-help technique. It connects us with the whole of humanity and with the whole of the universe. Our hope takes us beyond what we can see, understand or control. In a time when our sense of controlling the world has been shaken, this hope is good news.

To Ponder:

- How helpful do you find Paul's language of 'debt' and 'adoption'? Are there examples from contemporary culture that might help us appreciate what he is saying?
- If God is concerned with the transformation of creation, how might this affect our prayers and actions in relation to the planet we inhabit?

Bible notes author

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