

With Linthwaite Methodist Church

Website www.linthwaitemc.co.uk

Services	July	3	9.30am	Church Centre Anniversary and Gift Day Revd Peter Catford will lead Holy Communion at 9.30am. Linda Marshall and Sue Howard will then lead us in worship
		10	9.30am	Own Arrangement – Songs of Praise
		17	9.30am	Mrs Elaine Nixon
		24	10.30am	United Service at Marsden
		31	9.30am	Mrs Kathyne Beetlestone
	Aug	7	9.30am	Mr Paul Bussey
		14	9.30am	Revd Sue Burton including Holy Communion
		21	9.30am	Mrs Laura Tunnacliffe
		28	9.30am	Own Arrangement

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Revd Sue is not well, and is at present on sick leave. We all send our love and very best wishes that she soon returns to good health and is able to join us again.

For any matters concerning our own church, please contact Linda Marshall on 846557 or 07535250807
For general church queries contact the Circuit Administrator on 07851689005

Remembered by the Church

Edna Sykes who died peacefully at home on June 8th aged 101 years. Our thoughts and prayers are with Pat, and Mark and Richard and their families at this sad time. A service to celebrate Edna's life will be held in church on Friday, 15th July at 11.30am.

Michelle Carter who died peacefully at Huddersfield Royal Infirmary on June 5th aged 52 years. Our sincere condolences are sent to Christine and Alec Garside and the rest of the family as we remember them in our prayers. A celebration of Michelle's life is in church on Wednesday, 6th July at 12 noon.

Flower List

July	3	Flower Fund	24	United Service at Marsden
	10	Molly Myers	31	Linda Marshall
	17	Beryl Woodward & Andrea Morley		
Aug	7	John Liversidge	21	Mildred Walker
	14	Peter & Maureen Stead	28	Flower Fund

Cleaning Rota

July	3	Margaret Moriarty & Maureen Stead	24	Linda Marshall & Andrea Morley
	10	Mairi MacKay & Sue Howard	31	Margaret Moriarty & Maureen Stead
	17	Jennifer Hirst & Linda Nuttall		
Aug	7		21	Jennifer Hirst & Linda Nuttall
	14	Mairi MacKay & Sue Howard	28	Linda Marshall & Andrea Morley

Community Coffee

Everyone welcome to come along and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea, biscuits (and often cakes!!) and have a chat, from 11.15am till 12.45pm. A suggested donation of £1.50 per person.

Messy Church

We are now taking a summer break and will be back with fun activities, games, celebration, stories and food on **Saturday 10th September, Saturday 8th October, Saturday 12th November and Saturday 10th December**

Afternoon tea with the Vautreys

The Annual Vautreay Open Day is being condensed into two Saturday afternoons from 2pm – 5pm when we will serve afternoon tea. These will be on July 30th and August 13th at 19 The Mount, Thorne, Wakefield. Everyone welcome and you can of course just come and sit in the garden and have a drink.

Thanks

Many thanks to **Sue and David Haigh** for providing the excellent Brunch we enjoyed in church on June 12th. £160 was raised for church funds.

Mildred Walker sends her thanks for the beautiful flowers she received following her fall, they were much appreciated. She is steadily improving, the swelling on her face is going down.

John and Catherine Davison also send their grateful thanks for the flowers they received from church last week. John is recovering very well from his operation and is in excellent spirits.

Church Building upkeep party!

Can you spare a couple of hours on Saturday mornings? Each week from 10am till 12 noon a small party meet at church to do general church cleaning, graveyard tidying, gardening and painting. Anyone willing to come along and help would be most welcome. Bring your own cleaning, gardening equipment and paint brush! (NB not meeting July 2nd)

2022 Commonwealth Games

The Queen's Commonwealth Baton has been to 72 Nations and Territories over 294 days with 7,500 Batonbearers – of which 2,022 are in this country.

Linda Nuttall has been nominated for services to Scouts, Duke of Edinburgh Award and Community. The baton is in Yorkshire on July 12th and 13th and Linda will be carrying it in **Market Street and Newgate in Malton on Wednesday, 13th July at 2pm** (It is in Huddersfield on the 12th July)



Finance & Property Report

The Church owes a big thank you to a small group of people who give up an amazing amount of time, particularly during the growing season to keep our grounds looking inviting. Whilst John Liversidge and Margaret Moriarty, aided by Jamie from Jellies, manage to cut the grass around the buildings, the old bowling green and the footpaths in the graveyard. This saves us a lot of money, however, we do have to employ someone to cut the grass in the rest of the cemetery. The few who give up their time on a Saturday morning are steadily working their way through the list of jobs.

As mentioned in the last Link we are still in the planning stage of the repairing / replacement of the windows in the old Sunday School building which is Grade II listed and are launching an appeal for donations. We have broken the costs down into three phases with a rough estimate of the costs:

Phase I East side – this is the entrance into the tarmac area £22,000

Phase II South side – the Cemetery side £51,000

Phase III North side – the road side £59,000

We are applying for grants, but will need to raise some money as no one will give us 100% funding

It is hoped to start the work in September, but we are still in the throes of getting consent to do the work and also put double glazing units in.

Recollections' by Ian Baxter.

Thoughts about Holidays.

The Editor tells me that the next edition of the Link will be the combined July/August edition so I have put aside the article I had prepared for July and have replaced it with this which has Holidays as its subject. Many years ago, the working population had much less leisure than we have today, Sunday has always been the day of rest in Christian countries but the only other holidays were the 'Holy Days' in the Christian calendar. When factories were established, a week was needed to carry out maintenance work on the power plant and the work force were given a holiday at that time. It was not until 1938 that employers were required to set aside an amount of money to be paid to their employees to cover this period. In the North of England these holidays were known as 'Wakes Weeks' and whole towns shut down and most of their working population departed for resorts on the Lancashire, North Wales and Yorkshire coasts.

In Huddersfield there were two holiday weeks, the Engineers in July and Textiles in August, and until the early 1950's they were just only one week. Since there has been an increase in the number of days of holiday, most notably during the Christmas period. When I started work in the 1950's this holiday was only Christmas Day and Boxing day unless these came between Tuesday and Thursday and as it was not considered worth lighting boilers for one day, that day was added into the Christmas holiday. New Years Day was not a Bank Holiday in England until recently but before it was, many did not work that day, which infuriated employers. Nowadays the Christmas holiday is usually from Christmas Eve to the day after New Year's Day. A few weeks ago we enjoyed an extra bank holiday to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, and in recent years there have been suggestions for additional Bank Holidays but no permanent one has been added since May Day came on to the calendar in 1978.

Although my family spent many pre WW2 holidays at Rhyl in North Wales where we had relatives, my parents went to Shanklin on the Isle of White and Torquay in Devon, and before I was born took a Mediterranean cruise with my grandparents on a Canadian Pacific liner, the Montcalm. This was an experience they would have liked to repeat but were unable to do so until the late 1960's. That was fairly adventurous holiday-making in those distant times, but does not compare with the exotic holidays enjoyed by all levels of society today who consider flying to all parts of the world as a normal activity.

This is an example of how our life-style has changed in living memory.

If anyone has any item they would like to be included in the next Link please e mail to me at

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Thanks, Jennifer