

Great Ayton Methodist Church



Newsletter 10th March 2019
9:00am Rev Lisa & 10:30am Rev Lisa

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Ps 91:1-2,9-16; Ro 10:8b-13; & Luke 4:1-13

We Warmly welcome all visitors today. If you are new to the church or the village we hope you were welcomed by our Stewards on duty as you came in. If, for any reason, they missed you, please make yourself known to one of them after the service and join us for coffee and a chat in the hall. We are pleased to have you with us.

Sunday 10th March	10:45-11:15 Creche(0-4yrs) Kings Kids(4-11yrs) 12:15 "Bring & Share" Church Lunch. 18:00 Lent Reflections Café Worship-Testimony Evening.
Monday	9:30 Keep Fit 13:15 Prime Time with Yatton House 18:00-19:15 Brownies 18:30 Youth Club 19:30-21:00 Guides
Tuesday	10:00-12noon Prime Time 12:15 Soup Trio 15:15-16:30 J Time 19:15 Circuit Charity AGM 19:00 Circuit AGM
Wednesday	9:30-11:30 Coffee & Crafts 19:00-20:30 Tai Chi
Thursday	10:00-11:30 Toddlers 13:45-14:45 Toddlers 18:30 Texan Meal 19:00-21:30 Angrove Choir
Friday	18:30-21:30 Barn Dance
Saturday	10:30-11:30 Coffee Morning including "Party on the Patio" at front of church.
Sunday 17th Mar	9:00 Doreen Hunt 10:30 Doreen Hunt 16:00 Lent Reflections



Many thanks to everyone who contributed and attended the

Bacon butties and coffee charity fund raising morning. The sum of £65.20 was

raised for



Treasurers Together

Following a recent meeting of all church treasurers, a note explaining some useful information has been produced to be shared before the circuit meeting. Copies are available from the table in the foyer.

The dates for the ecumenical Lent Course, 'Daring to See God Now' are as follows:

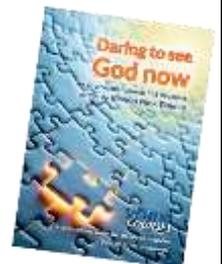
THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD
Thursday 14th March at 1.30pm at St Margaret's RC Church

THE TIME IS NOW
Monday 18th March at 1.30pm in Christ Church Coffee Lounge

CHANGE YOUR MIND
Wednesday 27th March at 10.45am Friends Meeting House, High Green

GOD IS PRESENT
Thursday 4th April at 1.30pm at the Methodist Church

LIVE IT!
Monday 8th April at 7.30pm in the Upper Room, Royal Oak
(Preceded by a meal together at 6pm for all who wish to come.)



Last "Bring & Share" Church Lunch

Today (Sunday 10th March)



This will also give us opportunity to meet the



mission team from Texas who

will be spending the next week serving here at church at numerace events. See details on page 2 for further detail & support them with your prayers.

Notices for the church website and Facebook page.

If you have a notice that you wish to appear in the 'What's on' section of the church's website or on the Facebook page, please take note of, and follow, the process below. Please note that you will still need to send notices for the newsletter to the secretary.

Gain agreement from one of the leadership team for the event or information to be made public in this way.

Ensure you have the consent from any people whose contact details will appear in the notice.

Send the information by email to gamc.tech@gmail.com as below:

Confirm that leadership approval for the notice has been gained,

Specify whether the information is for Facebook, the website or both,

Ensure that full information is supplied eg. date, time, location, cost and the key information about the event, N.B. remember the website and Facebook are public facing media so avoid 'churchy' jargon and use terminology that members of the public will understand,

Write the notice as you want it to appear so it does not need to be re-written. If in doubt about how it should appear please mention this in your email

Include any image you want to appear with your notice ensuring that it is not subject to copyright elsewhere and we have permission to use it

Please give as much notice as possible with a minimum of two weeks before the event for the website and one week for Facebook

Remember: gamc.secretary@gmail.com for the newsletter

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Texan week programme of events

Saturday 09/03/19

3:00pm Team arrive in Great Ayton

5:30pm Getting to know you dinner with hosts at church



Sunday 10/03/19

10:30am Team at 10:30am service at Great Ayton Methodist Church. Everyone welcome.

12:00pm **Pooled lunch** at church followed by afternoon walk

6:00pm **Café worship** at church led by Lisa Quarmbly and Kyle Jackson. Everyone welcome

Monday 11/03/19

1:15pm Team at **Primetime Games** at church

6:30pm **Youth event** at church with inflatable play equipment

Tuesday 12/03/19

10:00am Team at **Primetime Games** at church

12:00pm team at **Community lunch**

2:30pm Team at **J Time** with bouncy castle and soft play

Wednesday 13/03/19

10:00am Team split between **Coffee and crafts** and **gardening**

Thursday 14/03/19

10:00am Team at **Toddler Group**

1:15pm Team at **Toddler Group**

6:30pm **Texan meal at church**. Donations in aid of the church's charity for 2019, The Smiles Foundation. Everyone welcome. Please sign up if you would like to attend



Friday 15/03/19

6:30pm-9:30pm **Barn Dance** at church with the Cleveland Bays. **Tickets £5.00** to include supper. Everyone welcome

Saturday 16/03/19

10:30am **'Party on the patio'**. A witness event at the front of church with free food for passers-by and visitors, music, bookstall, church tours etc. Everyone welcome.

5:30pm Team leave.

Meal with the Texans on Thursday 14th March at 6:30pm

If you would like to attend the meal on Thursday, please make sure you have booked your place by putting your name on the sign up sheet on the notice board in the Youth Hall. *Thank you*

Traidcraft Sale

Just letting you know that I have donated **£1700 to Traidcraft Exchange** (Traidcraft's linked charity) from the sale last month
Many Thanks, Kate.



There is opportunity today to bring your donations for the

Foodbank, please place them in the container at the top of the stairs as usual.
Thank you.

Key points from church council meeting on 13 February 21019

- The church is to proceed with a relationship with Christians Against Poverty. Claire Whayman will be the lead person for this initially. Hopefully someone else will feel called to train in this role too.
- Volunteers are needed to keep the church's notice boards up to date. This is even more important now we have additional notice board space.
- Church council had agreed to top up the amount raised for the 2018 church charities up to a sum of £3000 if this amount was not raised. This top-up was not needed as the amount raised was over the £3000 target.
- The church charity selected for 2019 is the Smiles Foundation and fundraising has stated for this.
- The council approved the people leading the Texas mission team as volunteers after the completion of all safeguarding and recruitment checks.

- An open evening with slides and opportunities for questions about the mission trip to Texas is planned as soon as practicable after the team's return.
- Holy Habits. This programme is to be launched on Pentecost Sunday, 9 June 2019. There are 10 Holy Habits based on the early church in Acts, including praying, sharing, worship, teaching, eating etc. Information booklets are available. The plan is to start with eating and follow up with generosity. A presentation is planned for the beginning of March to introduce this to everyone.
- There is an ongoing need for more people to volunteer to support the wide range of work undertaken by the church was stressed.
- Work is planned in the Living Room including the provision of a large screen for use by different groups. The purchase of IT equipment for the use of different groups is also planned.
- There are some alternative style afternoon/evening services planned for Lent including Godly play, a Labyrinth journey, prayer stations etc all with a more reflective and meditative style. There will be a Passover service on Maundy Thursday and a meditative and musical style service on Good Friday afternoon.
- The church doors are still not being locked reliably both when people are in the building and when they are not. It is vital for security and safeguarding purposes that doors are locked securely.
- Church expenditure has reduced over the four-year period and giving has remained steady which is helping the accounts. The church is likely to be asked to increase our circuit assessment. A small increase may be possible.

A circuit steward is required as the currently is currently short of people in this role. If you feel called to this role or would like more information, speak to Lisa

We are a Fairtrade Church. There are lots of new products in our Fairtrade cupboard, please help and support Fairtrade.

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New Circuit Plan & Circuit Newsletter.

Copies of the latest plan & newsletter are now available from the table in the foyer.

(Woman's) World Day of Prayer.

"Come-everything is ready"

Last Friday 37 woman & 1 man (well done Tim!) from all the village churches, met to celebrate with the woman of Sloveria and join in a 'wave' of prayer passing right around the world.

They heard about their lives, hopes and dreams and reflected on the parable of the Great Banquet (Luke 14:15-24).

Afterwards, everyone enjoyed Slovenian sweet treats with their coffee. The sum of £213.95 was received in the collection which will be distributed to various charities by WWDP. Spare service booklets are available in the foyer.

Dates for the Diary

Sunday 10th March-6pm Lent Reflections
Café Church with Rev Lisa & Kyle Jackson.

Tuesday 12th March-7:15pm Circuit
Charity AGM & 7:30pm Circuit AGM at
Great Ayton.

Thursday 14th March- 6-8pm Meal with
the Texan Team at church.

Friday 15th March-6:30-9pm Church
Ceilidh with the Texans.

Sunday 17th March-4pm Lent reflections.

Friday 22nd March-Domino Drive with Pie &
Pea Supper in aid of The Smile Foundation,
doors open 6.15 for 6.30pm start.

Sunday 24th March-4pm Prayer Stations.

Sunday 31st March-4pm Lent Labyrinth.

Sunday 7th April-12noon Annual General
Church Meeting (**change of date**).

Sunday 7th March- 4pm Godly Play.

Church Office

Office hours are Monday 10:30-1:30 &

Thursday 9:30-12:30.

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