

Great Ayton Methodist Church



This Sunday 20th June, streaming on Youtube, live at 10.30am.

You can watch this video by clicking the link below. The video will not be available until 10:30am on Sunday but will be available to view at any time after this.

www.youtube.com/greataytonmethodistchurch/live.

[Job 38.1-11; Psalm 107.1-3,23-32; 2 Corinthians 6.1-13; Mark 4.35-41](#)

Sunday 20th June	10:30 'In-person' and online service, live streamed with the worship leaders and Stewards.
Tuesday	Tuesday night House group are now meeting in church. Contact Jeanette Hardy for further details.
Thursday	10:00-11:00 Toddler group meet in the park, for more details see the Great Ayton Toddlers Facebook page.
Sunday 27th June	10:30 'In-person' and online service, live streamed with Rev Andrew (Communion).



Middlesbrough Foodbank

Our friends at Middlesbrough Foodbank are running very low on provisions and desperately need our support. Please, if you're able bring contributions to the foodbank to church with you this week. The box for contributions will be in the foyer every week so it would be great if you could get into the habit of bringing something every time you come.

We're happy to receive contributions on other days/times by arrangement. Peter Jackson can collect from homes if folk phone him on (01287 637882) as he is usually in the village on a Sunday and Wednesday and at Foodbank on a Monday.

Tinned Potatoes, Rice pudding, custard, tinned fruit, tinned carrots, dried rice and fruit juice (not squash) are just some of the things you could bring.

Donations can be dropped off at the Co Op stores in Great Ayton and Stokesley. Cash as an alternative by cheque or bank transfer also allows them to buy as they run short..

<https://Middlesbrough.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>

Please support this cause if you can, there is still a great many people on Teesside who need help.

Big questions



Jesus leaves the crowds after a full day of teaching to get some rest. Jesus sleeps in the boat while the boat becomes engulfed in a storm. Because of the location of the Sea of Galilee, storms occur quickly and violently. The disciples are astonished that he is not alert to the circumstances and their fear. When they eventually wake him, he calms the storm and questions their lack of trust in God.

Perhaps the biggest faith question there is the one that the disciples ask of Jesus when he is asleep: 'do you not care that we are perishing?' Our big questions may be different, but it is important to feel heard as we wrestle with challenges of life in general and in following Jesus.

This week we explore being heard in the storms of our lives.



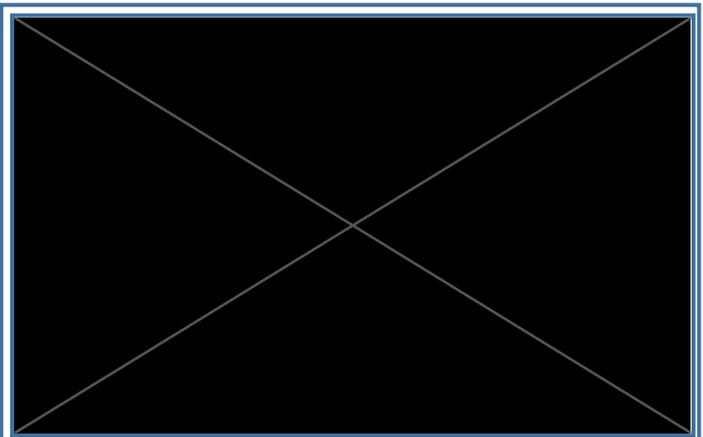
Leadership team have agreed the next steps in the process of getting the church back to something nearer normal. We still don't know whether restrictions will be eased completely later in the summer or whether some restrictions might still remain but we're really pleased to make some changes starting **this Sunday!**

- **All the chairs are back in church** so that the church looks like it used to.
- **You won't need to book your place!** There are more seats and groups of up to six people or two households can sit together. Although we will still have to space out a bit by using every other row.
- We'll still have to complete track and trace details and you'll still need a face covering unless you're exempt. There is still no singing allowed but we hope that it won't be too long before this changes.
- **We'll be serving tea coffee and biscuits outside on the lawn and patio after the service.** This will give people the much-needed opportunity to catch up and socialise.

As we make these first steps to getting church back to something more like we were used to we'd love to see you back in church. We're a church family and need to spend time together- something that we've all missed - so please come back if you feel able.

Coffee will be served after the service at around 11.20 am. If you don't feel ready to come into church yet, you're very welcome to join us outside for coffee and, of course, you can still join the service on YouTube. www.youtube.com/greatanmethodistchurch

A poster for 'Community Broadcast Weekend' featuring a microphone and the text 'LISTEN LIVE AT WWW.LEVENONLINE.CO.UK', 'COMMUNITY BROADCAST WEEKEND', 'SATURDAY 3rd AND SUNDAY 4TH JULY', 'Tune in all weekend to hear new, live and local shows', and 'Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for more updates'.



Are you looking ahead to 2022? **Spring Harvest** have opened bookings this week for their Skegness and Minehead on site events next April.

Skegness 11-15 April
Minehead 18-22 April
Harrogate 9-13 April*

(* bookings for Harrogate will open in September.)

They can't promise sunshine, but promise worship, learning and laughter! Find out everything you need to know by [clicking here.](#)

Do you care about Justice?

Last Sunday Gordon Brown gave the first Methodist Justice Lecture. He spoke on Justice and Hope. If you missed it, you can watch the recording on the Walking with Micah

website: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-in-britain/social-and-climate-justice/walking-with-micah/>

Safeguarding Foundation Module

Bookings are open to attend on zoom with dates between 28 June and 14 July. Book [here](#) or contact Ruth Dunbar neregsafe.office@gmail.com for further information. Leaflet also attached with this newsletter.



This years church charity is the Russ Devereaux Headlight Project.

Headlight Mental Health Charity

If we are to raise money for this worthwhile cause this year it will need us to do something about it as it will not happen by itself.

We are setting up a small co-ordinating group so if you want to join it or you have an idea or want to do something yourself or can help with an event please contact:

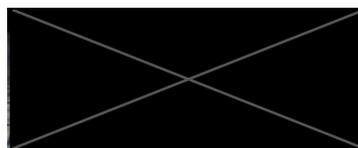
Howard & Elaine

01642 723507

or email: gamc.treasurer@gmail.com

If you missed Cliff Festival at Home

If you missed last week's 'Cliff Festival at Home', you can still access it on the Cliff YouTube channel and listen to some of it there.



Hutton Rudby Chapel Hub

is now open for

outdoor hospitality and take outs.

New opening times!

Monday & Thursday 2-4pm

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 10-12

There are now tables and chairs set up outside so you can enjoy your refreshments socially distanced both inside and outside.



Radio and TV suggestions for this week, 20th June

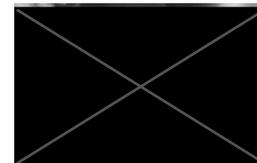
Radio 4

08:10 Sunday Worship

05:43 Monday-Friday-Prayer for the Day
BBC 1

Sunday 10:30-Sunday Morning Live
BBC2

Sunday 13:15 Songs of Praise. Aled Jones celebrates Father's Day.



Hope to see you this Sunday



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

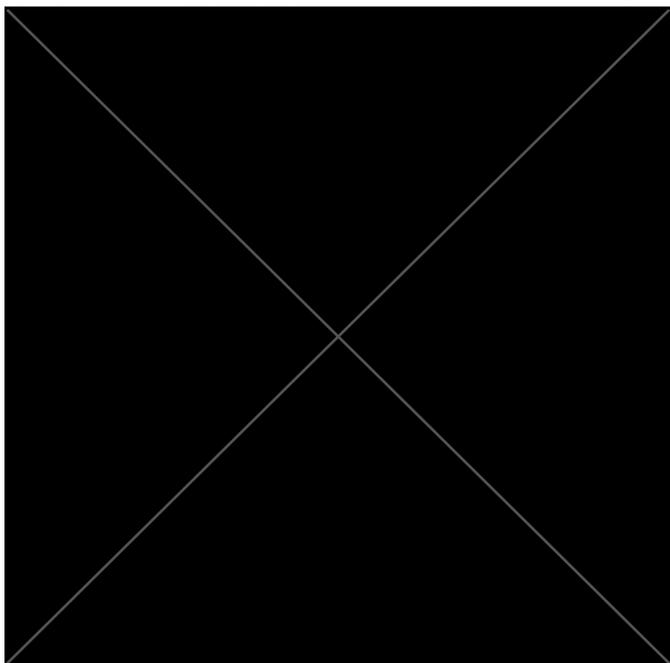
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Job opportunity!

Digital Ministries Enabler with the Darlington and Newcastle Methodist Districts. The closing date for applications is Monday 5th July 2021 and application packs can be requested from Natalie Clark on deeassistantne@gmail.com. For further information on the post please contact either Elaine, elaine@lindridge.org.uk or Helle, darlingtondistrict.enabler@gmail.com and they will be happy to help. Poster is attached.

To contact the church office please send all enquires and items for the newsletter to Ruth at
Email gamc.secretary@gmail.com

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A prayer of blessing
May you be a blessing
to every life you touch,
and the Spirit within,
that life-giving water,
be a gift of refreshment
in love shown and shared
with all who are thirsty
along the road you travel.
Amen

