

CARLTON-IN-LINDRICK METHODIST CHURCH

CONTACT

September 2023

Dear Friends

Happy New Year!

No, I haven't skipped a few months, although this year does seem to be going very quickly. September marks the beginning of the Methodist Connexional year. It is a time when ministers who have moved circuit begin their ministry in a new place and, for those of us who do not have to move, we gear ourselves up for the autumn round of meetings.

This year feels quite momentous. It really does feel as though the Spirit is moving in Carlton. It is, at one and the same time, exciting and scary. In one sense, we are in limbo. All three Christian denominations in the village are in the process of discerning what it is God wants of us, at this time and in this place. The Anglicans and Methodists are continuing to worship together at the major festivals and support one another in other ways. The Methodists joined with the Anglicans in their vision meeting in July and will do so again in September. In between, we have all been praying about our situations, asking God to make clear to us the way forward God wants for us. On 14th June, during the Warm Welcome Coffee Morning, a number of people from the Methodist and Anglican churches met in the upper room to pray together. The next prayer meeting will be at 11am on Monday 4th September, in the same place, and you are very welcome to join us.

We are excited at the possibility of the Renewed Life Community Church (Apostolic) moving to make the Methodist Church and Centre their base. As I write (near the beginning of August), discussions are ongoing. By the time you read this, I hope we will have positive news.

Whatever the future brings, we can be confident that if it is what God wants us to be doing and being, it will happen. We must always remember, though, that the church of God is not a building but the people. We are God's eyes, ears, hands and feet. Without us, God will still work in our village, but let it be with us.

Verse 3 from hymn 558 in Singing the Faith sums this up:

"Lord, take my hands, and direct them. Help me spend myself in seeking the lost, returning love for the love you gave me.

O Lord, with your eyes set upon me, gently smiling, you have spoken my name.
All I longed for I have found by the water, at your side I will seek other shores"

Best wishes

Meg

Editor's note: A resolution was passed by the Church Council to allow the Renewed Life Church to worship on our premises, and consent has been given by the Methodist Council in London.

The church will worship in our building on Sunday evenings, starting on 17th September. We offer them a very warm welcome and look forward to working alongside them.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SEPTEMBER						
Sunday 3 rd	11.00 am	Morning Worship – Rev Felicity Ferriter - Holy Communion				
Monday 4 th	10.30 am – 12 noon	Warm Welcome Coffee Morning				
Monday 4 th	11 am	Prayer Meeting (upstairs)				
Monday 4 th	7.00 pm	Youth Council				
Saturday 9 th	10.00 – 12 noon	* Bric-a-Brac and Table Top Sale				
Sunday 10 th						
Monday 11 th	10.30 am – 12 noon	Warm Welcome Coffee Morning				
Sunday 17 th	11.00 am	Morning Worship – Julian Pratt				
Monday 18 th	10.30 am – 12 noon	Warm Welcome Coffee Morning				
Sunday 24 th						
Monday 25 th	10.30 am – 12 noon	Warm Welcome Coffee Morning				

* See below

BRIC-A-BRAC and TABLE TOP SALE

Methodist Church & Centre, High Rd, Carlton-in-Lindrick

Saturday 9th September 10.00 am - 12 noon

Tables £5 each

To book, contact Eddie on 01909 733288 or email carltonmethodist@outlook.com

Proceeds for Church and Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association Funds

Have a table, or come and browse or buy, and have a coffee and chat.

BOYS' BRIGADE 40th ANNIVERSARY

On 3rd October 1983, the first meeting of the 1st Carlton-in-Lindrick Boys' Brigade was held in what was then our Schoolroom. Our morning worship on Sunday 1st October 2023, led by Rev Alan Hindmarch (Chaplain), will celebrate our 40th Anniversary. Everyone is welcome to join us, including anyone who has been a member or has had links with the brigade over the years. The service will be followed by a buffet lunch. In order to help with the catering, if you would like to stay for lunch, please put your name on the list at the back of church nearer the time, or email Helen on carltonmethodist@outlook.com.

Please pass the word around to others who may like to come along, including the message about lunch. If anyone has any memories or stories they'd like to share about the brigade, or their time as a member or leader/helper, please also pass those by email to Helen on the above email.

On Tuesday 3rd, the Boys' Brigade and Girls' Association will have a party during their meeting time.

As days begin to shorten, there is a temptation to stay indoors to keep warm. Bears eat excessively for several weeks in Autumn then stay in their den for up to 8 months. They are not sleeping the whole time and do not eat or drink to conserve energy. Cave bears were prehistoric. There are eight types of bear - polar bears are the largest and sun bears the smallest. They can move fast and are strong swimmers.



Wojtek was a Syrian brown bear bought as a young cub in exchange for food by Polish soldiers who had been released from Soviet labour camps in WW II. He played tag, had wrestling matches with them and sat upright to eat and drink. He carried

ammunition during the battle of Monte Cassino. He was officially enlisted so that he could travel freely with the soldiers. He was promoted to the rank of corporal for his services to the Polish army and walked the entire route from Iran through Iraq, Syria, Palestine and Egypt to Italy, and finally to Great Britain in 1947 and spent his final days in Edinburgh zoo. There are seven statues to him in Britain and Poland.

Brumas was the first baby polar bear successfully reared in the UK. He was born in London Zoo in 1949 and the nation was fascinated by him – over 2 million visitors went to see him. Soft toys and books followed.



Brumas & Ivy

Yorkshire Wildlife Park near Doncaster is now the largest centre for polar bears outside Canada.

Teddy bears are named after Theodore (Teddy) Roosevelt, following an incident with a black bear in 1902. A store owner made a stuffed toy called Teddy's bear. Steiff bears are expensive and collectable. They are loved by children as a favourite cuddly toy. Care bears were popular characters in the 80's. Build a Bear shops stock bears with different outfits and accessories.

Rupert bear first appeared in 1920 in the Daily Express.

Winnie the Pooh was created in 1926 in a story about Christopher Robin.



Pudsey is the mascot for Children in Need, first appearing in 1987, now aged 37! £35 million was raised by Children in Need in 2022.

Other famous bears include Yogi Bear and BooBoo, Baloo, Fozzie, Sooty and Super Ted.

The Bear House at Newby Hall, Ripon has teddy bears collected by Gyles Brandreth and his wife plus new famous bears in various scenes.

Leeds Bear Hunt

There are 35 giant bear sculptures in Leeds this summer, which will be auctioned in September to raise funds for Leeds Hospitals Charity.



Remember this?

If you go down to the woods today, you're sure of a big surprise.

If you go down to the woods today, you'd better go in disguise.

For every bear that ever there was will gather there for certain because –

Today's the day the teddy bears have their picnic!



£110 was raised at the Action for Children Service recently. Many thanks to everyone who donated. *Yvonne*

RECIPE CORNER



Bears Love Honey !!!

Honey Roasted Vegetables

Carrots, parsnips, turnip, leeks, celery New potatoes

4 garlic cloves

4 tbsp olive oil 2 tsp honey

1 tsp dried oregano

2 bay leaves

2 tsp lemon juice

salt & ground black pepper

Preheat oven to 200°C/400°F/Gas 6.

Cut potatoes into ½" ovals and rest of veg at an angle into ovals. Blanch in boiling salted water for Drain and place with garlic in hot 1 minute. roasting tray with oil. Roast for 30 minutes turning once. Spoon in honey, oregano and bay leaves and turn to coat. Cook another 30 minutes. Take out, sprinkle with lemon juice and season.

Honey Tea Loaf

8 oz dried mixed fruit

1 tbsp water

8 oz SR flour

1/4 pint cold tea

1 egg

4 tbsp clear honey

Place fruit, tea, honey and water in a bowl and soak overnight.

Preheat oven to 180°C. Add egg and flour to bowl, mixing thoroughly and bake in greased loaf tin for 1 hour - 1 hour 15 minutes.

Paddington Bear shared the limelight, and marmalade sandwiches, to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee with Queen Elizabeth II. They would have loved this recipe!

Rhubarb & Orange Jam (Lilian)

3 lb rhubarb

3 oranges

4 ½ lb sugar

Chop the rhubarb into smallish chunks and cover with half the sugar. Squeeze the oranges and mince the peel. Add both to the rhubarb and stand overnight.

Next day, put fruit into large pan. Add rest of sugar. Stir until dissolved. Bring to boil then boil for 20 minutes only. A small knob of butter will prevent boiling over. Let cool for 15 minutes then fill warmed jars. A slice of orange down the side of the jar looks attractive.

Answers to BB&GA Treasure Hunt

- The Carlton Fish Bar, House of Hair, Cassios 1.
- 2. 6
- Best Pub Food 3.
- 4. North House, Copper Beeches
- 4 and 7 5.
- 6. The Millennium (2000)
- 7. Michael King
- Apples, Ducks, Plough 8.
- Rabbit 9.
- 10. Chapel Farmhouse

During his lifetime, Eddie Askew wrote many books of meditations and prayers. In a compilation book of his writings involving animals, his daughter Jenny wrote this as the foreword in 2018.

Within a few minutes of wondering what to write in this foreword, I am transported into the sunshine and warmth of Purulia, India. Once again, I am a small child in a big garden saying hello, with my dad, to our pet monkey, Squeak. He loved my dad and seemed happiest sitting on Dad's head grooming him. I fondly remember his antics, especially when he ran off towards the roof of our garage with a goose egg under his arm, much like a rugby player making a dash for the try line.



Dad loved animals. We had dogs, cats, guinea pigs, mice, a peacock, geese and monkeys over the years. He wanted to build a zoo of sorts for the leprosy patients as he had spotted a small bear cub for sale in the local market. My mum didn't share his enthusiasm. "And what will you do when it's full grown?" she asked. The subject was never mentioned again, but he engendered in my sister and me a great love for animals of any kind. He taught us to recognise birds by sight or by their song, probably because it distracted us from the terrible insistent call of the aptly named 'brain fever bird', which sang in the hot weather.

Now, as adults, we have very willingly passed this legacy on to our children together with Dad's made-up stories of the Silver Grey monkey, whose adventures were only ever shared on a Sunday morning before breakfast. And there are memories of an invisible donkey called 'Neddie Wiffle', who lived under our dining table. He was so real that we brought him back to England with us when we settled back here.

So Dad, you've done your work well. Your grandchildren regularly rescue birds, look out for stray cats, feed sugar water to exhausted bees, and continue to love our pets with the commitment that you taught us. Thank you. Life is so much richer for it.





How many are your works, Lord!
In wisdom you made them all;
The earth is full of your creatures.
Psalm 104: 24





During the prayer meeting on 14th June, Jenny Williamson shared this song /poem that she had written, and she has kindly given permission to share it here.

O Lord my hope is in you

Believing what I cannot see,
Being the best that I can be.
Not by my strength but by God's mighty power.
Silver and gold won't save me now.
Earthly things will disappear.
Let the peace of Christ rule in my heart.

Chorus

O Lord my hope is in you, As I run this race called life. I'll do what you tell me to. Cause with your love I'm free. My anchor's firm and strong, My anchor's firm and strong, In your eternity. I won't listen to the lies I've heard,
Just take inside his living word.
Strengthened with his glorious power.
Hope in what is yet to come.
Faith in Christ God's only son.
Love shown to all I meet along the way.

Chorus

O Lord my hope is in you, As I run this race called life. I'll do what you tell me to. Cause with your love I'm free. My anchor's firm and strong, My anchor's firm and strong, In your eternity.

QUIZ TIME



British Seaside Town Answers

1.	Scarborough	10. St Ives	17. St Andrews
2.	Llandudno	11. They turned on the	18. New Brighton
3.	Skegness	Blackpool illuminations in	19. Clovelly
4.	Westward Ho!	those years	20. Bamburgh
5.	Weymouth (in Dorset)	12. Ilfracombe	21. Torquay
6.	Blackpool	13. Southend	22. Prestatyn
7.	Cromer	14. Penzance	23. Margate
8.	Swansea	15. Isle of Wight	24. Edinburgh
9.	Lyme Regis	16. Whitby	25. Broadstairs

ANIMALS

- 1. How many horns does an Indian rhinoceros have?
- 2. Which animals can be described as ursine?
- 3. How many tentacles does a squid have?
- 4. What name is given to a group of kangaroos?
- 5. What do you call the home of a squirrel?
- 6. What do carpophagous animals eat?
- 7. What type of animal is a "Flying Fox"?
- 8. What is the National bird of New Zealand?
- 9. What is the largest carnivore in England?
- 10. What is the only great ape NOT to live in Africa?
- 11. Of which continent is the aardvark native?
- 12. What is the fastest land animal?
- 13. The ibex is a member of which family?
- 14. What do you call the home of a badger?
- 15. How many humps does a Bactrian camel have?

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday:	Worship (1 st , 3 rd and 5 rd Sundays)	11.00 am
Sunday	Renewed Life Community Church (Apostolic) – Worship	5.00 pm - 6.30 pm
Monday:	Warm Welcome Coffee Morning	10.30 am - 12 noon
	Brownies	6.00 pm – 7.30 pm
	Guides	6.30 pm – 8.00 pm
Tuesday:	Boys' Brigade	6.00 pm – 7.00 pm
Thursday:	Rainbows	5.45 pm – 6.45 pm

(Youth Groups term-time only)

Lord God, Creator, all life is yours.

All that has come to be has come through you.

Lives in your energy, takes breath because you willed it.

Is clothed in your beauty, your dignity, part of your world.

Valued and loved. Amen.

Eddie Askew



CHILDREN'S PAGE

Blind Bartimaeus

Hello

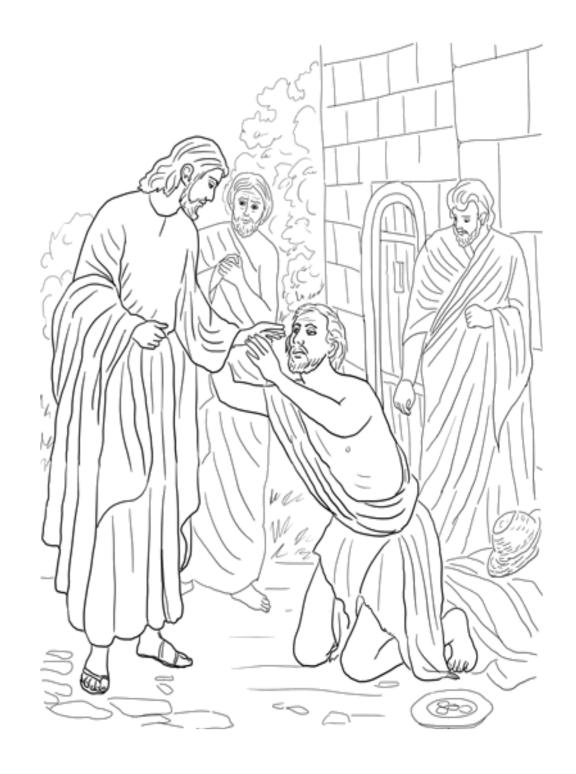
I want to tell you about something Jesus did that surprised his followers. He was on a journey, walking a long way to Jerusalem. Jericho was one of the towns he needed to pass through on his way. As he was leaving Jericho with all his followers, they came across a blind man sitting by the road, begging. He couldn't go to the Post Office and get money from the Government. The only way he could get money was by begging. There was such a buzz as Jesus was passing that the blind man asked who it was that was walking along the road.

When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth passing by he was very excited. "Son of David. Have mercy on me!" he shouted again and again. The people tried to quieten him, but he shouted more. "Son of David, have mercy on me." Jesus turned, and to the surprise of all the people, he said, "Call him and bring him here." As soon as he knew that Jesus was calling him, Bartimaeus threw off his cloak and went to Jesus.

Jesus asked, "What do you want me to do for you?" "Sir, I want to receive my sight." Jesus said, "Go on your way. Your faith has made you well." Immediately, he received his sight and followed Jesus on the road. Bartimaeus, whom the disciples had tried to silence was now one of their number as they travelled towards Jerusalem.

Another great miracle!

Rev. Alan Chaplain, 1st Carlton Boys Brigade and Girls Association



Complete the story by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the bottom of the page

As	and his disci	ples, togeth	er with a lar	ge crowd, were	;		
eaving the city, a man, Bartimaeus, was sitting by the							
oadside When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth,							
e began to, "Jesus, Son of David, have							
on me!"							
Many told him to be, but he shouted all the more, "Son of							
David, have mercy on me!"							
"What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him.							
The blind man said, "I want to"							
"Go." said Jesus "v	our	has	VO	ou " Immediately	,		
Go," said Jesus, "your has you." Immediately ne received his and followed Jesus along the road.							
Begging	faith	Jesus	quiet	shout			
Blind	healed	mercy	see	sight			

Lord, thank you for healing blind Bartimaeus. Help us to have faith in you too, and to follow you as our friend every new day.

Amen.

For reflection, here are the Lectionary readings and an appropriate hymn for each Sunday in September.

Sunday 3rd September

(22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Exodus 3:1-15

Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c

Romans 12:9-21

Matthew 16:21-28

Singing the Faith 518

- 1 Father, hear the prayer we offer: not for ease that prayer shall be, but for strength that we may ever live our lives courageously.
- 2 Not for ever in green pastures do we ask our way to be; but the steep and rugged pathway may we tread rejoicingly.
- 3 Not for ever by still waters would we idly rest and stay; but would strike the living fountains from the rocks along our way.
- 4 Be our strength in hours of weakness, in our wanderings be our guide; through endeavour, failure, danger, Father, be there at our side.

Love Maria Willis (1824-1908)

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Sunday 10th September

(23th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalm 149

Romans 13:8-14

Matthew 18:15-20

Singing the Faith 254

1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you; Allelu, alleluia:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia!

2 Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek and ye shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you; Allelu, alleluia:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia!

3 We shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord; Allelu, alleluia:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia!

Karen Lafferty (b. 1948)

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Sunday 17th September

(24th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Exodus 14:19-31

Psalm 114

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21–35)

Singing the Faith 613 (God, how can we forgive)

- 1 God, how can we forgive when bonds of love are torn?
 How can we rise and start anew, our trust reborn?
 When human loving fails and every hope is gone, your love gives strength beyond our own to face the dawn.
- 2 When we have missed the mark, and tears of anguish flow, how can you still release our guilt, the debt we owe? The ocean depth of grace surpasses all our needs. A priest who shares our human pain, Christ intercedes.
- 3 Who dares to throw the stone to damn another's sin, when you, while knowing all our past, forgive again? No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live. As you, O God, forgive our sin, may we forgive.

Ruth Duck (b. 1947)

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Sunday 24th September

(25th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Exodus 16:2-15

Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

Philippians 1:21-30

Matthew 20:1-16

Singing the Faith 124 (For the fruits of all creation)

- 1 For the fruits of all creation, thanks be to God; for the gifts to every nation, thanks be to God; for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe-keeping, thanks be to God.
- 2 In the just reward of labour, God's will is done; in the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done; in our world-wide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.
- 3 For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God; for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)

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