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# THE MAGAZINE

Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church

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*Our Mission:-*



*Living For Christ*

*Living With Christ*



*Living to Make Christ known*

## Harvest and Prayer

We are marking Harvest this year in the first weekend of October. On Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October there will be a Harvest Supper and Hoe Down to raise money for our Horizons Project and the following day we will celebrate Harvest in worship.



This year we are using some material from 'All We Can' (formerly the 'Methodist Relief and Development Fund'). The theme is 'Create a Buzz' and the focus is on Ethiopia. There will be the opportunity to give to support the work of partner organisations of 'All We Can' in that country. We will also be collecting non-perishable food items for Chelwood Foodbank.

Alongside our Harvest, in conjunction with Lane End Primary School and a local charity Salford to Calais, donations of items for refugees (detailed in the notices and on posters) can be brought to church on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> and Monday 5<sup>th</sup> between 9.30 and 11.30 am. Some parents from Lane End will be holding a coffee morning on the Monday (from 9.15am) in the Hall to raise funds for the transportation of the items to Calais and for the purchase of fresh food items. Also during the Monday morning (9.30 am -12 noon) the Prayer Team is organising a vigil in the Sanctuary and anyone is welcome to come and pray or light a candle in response to the current refugee crisis.

The following weekend will provide a further focus for prayer with the Prayer Team also arranging this for us. This takes place alongside the District's 24 hours of prayer and fasting (from 12 noon on Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup> till 12 noon on Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup>). Please look out for what exactly will be happening locally in the church notices. One thing that the District is asking each of us to do is to pray the prayer reproduced below four times or more during the 24 hours.

With this emphasis on prayer this month, perhaps I can use this letter as a springboard to encourage you to do two things in your prayer lives. Firstly, to explore different kinds of prayer so that you may find new approaches which are helpful to you, and, secondly, to make more space for listening in your prayers.

‘Pray as you can, not as you can’t’ – so advised Dom John Chapman. He wanted to dispel the idea that there was some ‘proper’ way of praying which everyone had to adopt. Rather, he encouraged people to find ways of praying which suited their personalities and were most meaningful to them.



Prayer can take many forms. Morning or Evening Prayer found in worship books gives a particular structure. Meditation upon a Bible passage allows us to use our imagination. Doing something with one’s hands, such as drawing or doodling, may enable creative expression. Images and icons, crosses and candles, can provide focal points when praying with one’s eyes open. Hymns or songs or Psalms may be read as prayers.

It is often said that prayer is both about talking and listening, about a conversation between us and God. However, we recognise that we are not always good at listening or being silent before God. For example, this may be apparent in services where periods of silence are few and far between and where words (and many of them) predominate.

Within our lives we can hear God speaking to us in various ways, if only we tune in and listen: through sensing his presence and love in quiet or stillness; through hearing his voice in our reading of the Bible; through reflecting upon events in the news; through the daily encounters we have with others; through the beauty of art and nature. It is important that we seek to develop our listening to the voice of God, which is a vital part of prayer and a means by which we may discover ways forward for us as a church, as a Circuit, and as a District. This magazine includes an insert titled, "Lord, make us a praying church", which the Prayer Team have provided. This is loose so that you can easily extract it for future reference. It is hoped that this resource will be an on-going help and encouragement for you in your prayer life.

*Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*  
(1Thesalonians 5:16-17.)

*Philip.*



A prayer from *All We Can's* Harvest resources

Dear God, we thank you for the beautiful world you created for us all to enjoy.

Thank for you for all of the wonderful living things you created that help us live.

May we work together to care of our world and everything in it.

May we also care for each other in this world, so that everyone has a chance to fulfil their potential. Amen.

Prayer for the District 24 hours of prayer and fasting

God of the future, you are our companion, our compass, and our goal.

Walk with us; stay with us; keep us in your Way. Amen.

**Harvest Home Made Hot Pot Supper and Hoe Down**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 6.30pm

Adults £8.00 under 12's £4.00

Food at 6.30pm then dancing to

The Super-Ceilidh-Fringe-Elastic Band

Tickets from Hazel Crummett, Lesley Peacock,

Rachel Roberts-Newton or the Church Office

Music will be foot tapping, good to listen and dance to.

Dancing is suitable for Folk of ALL ages and abilities

Proceeds to the Horizons Project

**Harvest services on Sunday 4th October**

**Leo and Charlotte Osborn**

After 19 years in the north east Leo has now been appointed to the Stamford & Rutland Circuit where he has pastoral charge of 4 chapels in Rutland Water.

Charlotte has started training as an Anglican Ordinand!

For their address details – please contact the church office.

**Start** will be starting soon.....

Start! is a six-session course designed to help people discover the basics of the Christian faith, for those wanting to refresh their knowledge and those just exploring. We meet in a relaxed and informal setting where we can discuss important issues, ask questions and hopefully find answers about what Christians believe. If you are interested in knowing more please contact Derek or Jane Booth or the church office for more information.

## **ACTION FOR CHILDREN**

**!!IT'S ABOUT TIME!**



On Action for Children Sunday in July, I spoke about the theme for this year which is - 'It's about time'

Action for Children would like us to use the extra hour we gain at the end of October when the clocks move back one hour to do something for the charity. Can I suggest you use some of that hour giving thanks for the work of Action for Children and praying for continuing help and support given to the families the charity helps. The donations received on Action for Children Sunday will help to create an outdoor play area for the Mother and Baby Unit at Styal prison. Please use some of the extra 60 minutes we get to remember the work of Action for Children - our Methodist Children's charity.

Ann Booth, Action for Children Secretary

**JMA collectors** - please bring in JMA boxes by 1st November and pass them to me, or alternatively leave them in the office and leave me a message that it is there. Thank you!  
Geraldine Butterworth (JMA Secretary)

# *Come and Worship*

## **Sunday 4th October - Harvest Sunday**

10.00am Rev Philip Peacock and Alison Gunn

Music Richard Spurr No Reflect today

6.30pm Rev Louise Gough Music with the Singers

**Tues 6th October** 7.00pm – Reflective Worship

**Wed 7th October** 10.30am - Wednesday Worship

## **Sunday 11th October**

10.00am Rev Philip Peacock

Organist Richard Spurr No Reflect today

6.30pm Margaret Hall and Rick Price Music with the Band

**Tues 13th October** 7.00pm – Reflective Worship

**Wed 14th October** 10.30am - Wednesday Worship

## **Sunday 18th October One World Week**

9.30 -10.45 am Taste

10.00am Pat James and Colin Taylor

Organist Richard Spurr No Reflect today

6.30pm Philip Peacock Music with Neil

**Tues 20 October** 7.00pm - Reflective Worship

**Wed 21st October** 10.30am - Wednesday Worship with  
Holy Communion

## **Sunday 25th October Bible Sunday**

10.00am Rev Philip Peacock and Raymond Francis

Derek Booth will lead Reflect

6.30pm Philip Peacock with Rick Price and the Band  
will include Holy Communion and Prayers for  
Healing and Wholeness

**Tues 27th October** 7.00pm – Reflective Worship

**Wed 28th October** 10.30am - Wednesday Worship

## **Sunday 1st November**

10am Kathryn Price 6.30pm Ian Castledine

## **Mid-week Worship and Learning**

**Home Groups** meet on the 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> weeks of the month -  
**Fellowship Groups** – Please see 'For Your Diary'

### **Dear Chelwood Food Bank Ambassadors**

May I take this opportunity to thank Lesley Ashworth of St Mary's church for all her amazing support with the food bank and our homeless project. We wish her well in her new post. Simon Wheatley is taking over from Lesley and we are really pleased to have you on board Simon, welcome.

May I request your continued support with your Harvest Donations, our shelves are getting low again and we particularly need right now tinned soups, tinned vegetables and cordial juices.

Kindest Regards Linzie Hogan

As Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church, we continue to offer tinned meat and fish as has been requested.

Articles for the November Magazine  
by 12th October - thank you  
*Articles can be sent via e-mail for  
publication in this magazine,  
in 'Word' format for text - Arial font 16  
.jpeg for images, posters etc please, to  
chmc@talktalkbusiness.net*

### **CHRISTMAS IS COMING !.....**

I have designed a new Christmas card in aid of the Horizons Project and this will be on sale from late September. The price will be the same as last year – 10 cards for £5.00. There are still a number of cards from last year and these are available at half price – 10 cards for £2.50 !

Peter Crummett

# *News of the Family*

## **Baptisms**

We are very pleased to have joined in the baptisms of Eliza Nuttall, Cooper Wilkinson and Jessica Wiley and our prayers and promises of support go to them and their families.

## **Bereavements**

We were sad to hear of the death of George Codner and our thoughts and prayers are for Doris and the family

Doris Codner and family would like to express our thanks to all our friends at church for the love, support and prayers following George's death. We have really appreciated all the cards, messages, flowers and visits at this time.

Thank you to all who assisted with the funeral and everyone who joined us to celebrate George's life. We are blessed to be a part of such a wonderful and caring church.

## **Congratulations**

Our congratulations go to Norman Parker for his 90th birthday on 6th September.

## **TRANSPORT**



If any church member is aware of someone who cannot come to Sunday Morning Service for lack of transport, please let me **George Lea** know.

The **Flower Visitor** for October is Jill Gourley



## **In our Prayers**

We remember in our prayers those who have been in hospital during the last month and those who are very poorly. We continue to pray for those who are listed in our prayer book – Jean and David Huxley, Kathryn and Colin Taylor, Christine and Brian Woodhead, Andy and Fiona Longworth, Susan Howie, Doris Codnor and family, Sheila and Peter Cresswell, the family of Glenys Fisher.



## **A Tribute to George Arthur Henry Codner:**

George was born in Plymouth, Devon in October 1923 where his younger brother, Bill, was born three and a half years later. Their father, George was in the Royal Navy and was away at sea during much of their early childhood. When their father was appointed as Royal Navy recruiter in 1937 the family moved to Newcastle upon Tyne. After leaving school at 16, George started an engineering apprenticeship with Vickers Armstrong before progressing to the drawing office and then acquired a professional qualification as a Chartered Mechanical Engineer.

As a teenager George met Doris, his first and only love, and they both became members of the Methodist Church in 1943. They were both active youth club members, members of the church cycling club, and Sunday School teachers at a time when there were so many children they ran two separate sessions on a Sunday afternoon. They married in 1948 and had three children, Gillian, Judith & Graeme.

Leaving Newcastle in 1957 the family lived firstly in Tynemouth, and then Barrowford in Lancashire. Settling in Cheadle Hulme in October 1962 they joined in worship in the old church, and then here when it was opened in 1968. George worked in Rochdale as an engineering manager, at a textile mill designing and developing machines and organising the plant maintenance.

Over the years George held many roles in the church, including serving on the Property and Coffee Lounge committee and being a door steward. In the early 1970s he became a Society Steward, forerunner of Church Steward. He continued to repair hymn books and bibles until recently, quietly getting on and doing things to help. At Church or family events, George would be regularly found at the sink in the kitchen washing up or moving tables and chairs. He was always active, involved in many activities outside church; the organiser of the cycling proficiency scheme for over ten years, helping with the annual Christian Aid sponsored walk from its start in the late 1960s until a few years ago and was also a keen photographer

On retirement George became a driver for the WRVS Meals on Wheels service – continuing till he was older than many of the people he delivered to. As a music lover with a wide range in

taste, George and Doris went to many concerts, shows and choirs. He was passionate, and justly proud, about his garden. This time of year the apples trees were abundant with apples. It was only this year that he allowed the family to cut the lawn. Always on the go, until very recently he enjoyed days out on the train to Southport or on the tram to Bury, Bolton or Ashton. Very interested in current affairs and local issues, he held strong and passionate views. He expressed his opinion but listened to others.

The two key things in George's life were his family and his faith. Doris was always the love of his life and they always did things and made decisions together. They were both firm, fair and loving with the children and grandchildren and instilled good values and manners. His brother Bill and his wife Joyce live in Kent, have been able to stay in touch with such things as Skype. He had a strong faith which he tended to demonstrate in a practical way, he was happiest getting on with a task and doing it thoroughly. He was very hands on- he would just roll up his sleeves and get on with whatever needed doing. He did not like any fuss, he did not seek any recognition for things he had done. He was dutiful, loyal and enjoyed humour. He firmly believed in being self-reliant and was fiercely independent. However he was encouraging and caring.

He had been involved with the building of the church in 1968 and he was fascinated with the Horizon project to improve and update this building and would have loved to have seen the plans for phase 2 & 3 reach fruition.

We have been touched and do appreciate all the lovely memories of George that people have shared with us. We too have many memories of a very special husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. We certainly are proud of him. We give thanks that we had him for 91 years and that he led such a full and active life, always helping others.

George's family

## **Jim and Elin White**

Ian, Janet and Isobel wish to thank friends from Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church for the kindness and sympathy shown after the recent deaths of their parents Jim and Elin White. They have been very touched by the cards and messages they have received.

Jim and Elin were members of Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church from 1957 until 1989. They were committed members of the Methodist Church all their lives, firstly at Newton Heath and latterly at Northallerton in Yorkshire. Mum and Dad were active members of the Cheadle Hulme congregation and always remained grateful for the friendship and support extended to them in so many ways over the years.

Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church will always be significant to us because it is where we were brought up in faith by mum and dad and the countless other people who helped us find the love of God. This faith continues to nurture us and gives us very real comfort now at the double loss of our parents. We thank God for the love shown by Cheadle Hulme members to mum and dad and to us.

'Tis Jesus, the first and the last,  
Whose Spirit will guide us safe home;  
We'll praise him for all that is past,  
And trust him for all that is to come.

The hymn verse is from 'This this is the God we adore'. Time has obviously moved on from when we all attended Cheadle Hulme but it was quite a favourite all those years ago. I remember still Dad leading the congregation in singing it at one of the anniversaries (not sure which though). It is the one that mum wrote at the front of the Methodist hymn book she gave to each of us as a present.

Ian, Janet and Isobel White

# *For Your Diary*

## **Leadership Team Meeting**

Monday 12th October

## **CAMEO**

Elderly people meet together to have a chat, enjoy entertainment and have lunch.

Meets on Tuesdays 10.15 – 2.15pm

### **Change of Leader**

We thank Margaret Clarke for all the time and effort she has put into running CAMEO and wish her well as she leaves this role.

We are very grateful to Pat James for taking over the running of Cameo and we wish her well as she gets to know these elderly people and work with them.

## **Toddlers**

Toddlers meet on Wednesdays at 10.45am-12noon

## **Friendly Food**

Wednesdays at 12.15pm the hot meal - £3 adults and £1 Anyone welcome - just come.

### **Friendly Food – Job Vacancy!**

We have been very fortunate in having Kathryn Price to cook our meals each Wednesday for the past two years but she will be finishing at October half term so we hope that someone else will volunteer. It does not have to be just one person – a few years ago it was shared by three people on a rota. If you feel that this is something you could do, or know of someone who might be interested, please speak to me.

Hazel Crummett

## **Womens' Network**

We meet on Thursdays at 2.30pm

1st October Stockport Sunday School- Judith Higgins

8th October Harvest Lunch and AGM

15th October Shoebox packing

22nd October "Life in Crime" Terry Sim

29th October Churches Together Lunch

## **Contact**

21st October 2.30pm AGM

## **Baby Chat**

Baby Chat on Thursdays 10.30pm

## **Tiddlywinks**

On 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of each month 10.30am

## **Focus**

Friday 30th October at 7.30 pm in Room 1

"Are we nearly there" Linda Brackenbury and Gwen Roston

## **Men's Breakfast**

Will be on Saturday 10th October from 8.30 - 10.00am. Come along for 8.30am and after clearing up be away for about 10.30am. For further details contact Carl

### **Change of Leader**

With many thanks to John Harrington for the work he has done with Men's Breakfast and thank you to **Carl Robinson** for taking over this role.

## **Young Church**

Our activities will continue on Sundays with Taste on 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

## **Foodbank**

Continues with our collection of tins of fish or meat on the second Sunday of each month.

## **Churches Together**

Inter-church lunch at Cheadle Hulme Methodist Church on 29th October

### **Christian Aid Sponsored Swim**

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 1p.m. at Cheadle Hulme School pool.

# *Horizons Project*

## **Bibs and Bobs Charity Singers.**

Following a hugely successful concert last year, B and B are returning to perform for us again by popular demand. B and B is a choir made up of volunteers who sing to raise money for charities and will put on an extremely entertaining concert for a varied audience.

## **Bibs and Bobs**

present a



## **Fun Evening of Songs and Entertainment**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm

£6 per ticket

(which includes tea/coffee and cake)

available from the church office

Proceeds to the Horizons Project

## **Afternoon Tea Dance**

**Ballroom and Sequence**

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

2pm - 4.30pm

Tickets £6

Available from the church office 0161 485 1605

includes a cream tea

and live music by Trevor Todd.



Come and just enjoy listening to the music or dance the afternoon away.



### “Baked Alaska.”

No, it’s not a Mary Berry special about cooking posh desserts. It’s a play about the cooking of the earth.

Yes, global warming but not as we normally hear about it. It’s extraordinary theatre for extraordinary times.

So, how will you spend your evening of 13<sup>th</sup> November? (Friday, from 7:30-9:30pm) If your taste is for some funny yet challenging, urgent yet hopeful, high-energy innovative drama, then this is for you!

Riding Lights Theatre Company has a long-standing reputation for memorable dramatic presentations of current issues. Their latest focus is on how our populations live together, experience and respond to climate changes. Whilst speaking to all types of audience, their ethos is Christian-based and has the support of Christian Aid, Operation Noah and the Diocese of Litchfield.

As we await December’s U.N. Conference on Climate Change, we wonder what the outcome will be? Will we protect Alaska or make a pudding of it? Baked Alaska is something we can all look forward to.....unless we act fast on climate change.

Bookings taken via Tel 0161 485 1605 (10am-3pm, Mon-Fri)

Tickets by suggested donation of £8, Children and students £4.

Venue St Andrew’s Methodist Church hall, Brownley Rd,

Wythenshawe, M22 2DW

Please book early to avoid disappointment.

### **Vestry Stewards**

For the past 12 months we've had two teams of Vestry Stewards - one for the morning services and one for the evening ones. Vestry Stewards are responsible for the preparation of the church for worship each Sunday. They are not involved in the leadership team which comprises the minister, the lay staff and the church stewards. This means that there are no meetings and very few emails. We are now needing to appoint three new Vestry Stewards to the morning team. If this is of interest to you or you would like to find out more about what this entails, please have a word with Duncan Booth or Andrew Hardman as soon as possible. Appointments will be initially for 1 or 2 years and the duties average out at just one a month.

**It's Time to Talk  
... to God?  
... to each other?**



# *World Mental Health Day*

Monday October 12<sup>th</sup> 2015

Service at St Cuthbert's Church,  
Cheadle at 7.30 pm

**The service will include worship, prayer,  
testimonies, a talk and a question-and-answer  
session**

**(please send questions beforehand to**

**[tricia@theberries.me.uk](mailto:tricia@theberries.me.uk))**

St Cuthbert's is at the junction of the A560 (Stockport Road) and Cuthbert Road, postcode SK8 2DT

but please park opposite the church on Park Road unless you have a blue badge



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