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SANDYLANDS CORNERSTONE CHURCH
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Letter from Rev Michelle Woodcock
Priest-in-Charge of the Beacon Team Churches

Dear Friends,

I hope you had some time for refreshment over the summer months. I certainly enjoyed the time I was able to spend with my family and friends. Autumn has followed hot on the heels of spring it seems, with a quick glimpse of summer just as the children returned to school!

The beginning of a new school year is often a good time to start new things. Lots of groups seem to relax during August and so in September and October we see everything begin to gather pace again.

As a priest in the Church of England it is part of my vocation (calling) to pray every day. There is an expectation that every priest will pray the 'daily office' which includes prayers and readings each day. There is great flexibility these days about what you can use to help you pray, but I find the simple discipline of the daily office to be helpful and so I usually begin my day with this in my study.

Now that I live next door to Skelsmergh church, I have decided to say my daily office in the church itself on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from the start of October. I'll be there at 9am and it lasts around 15-20 mins. It would be really lovely if you felt able to join me there.

Perhaps you might pop in once in a while, or maybe it's something you would appreciate being part of more regularly. There will be no expectation for you to do anything other than just come and enjoy a quiet 20 mins at the start of a busy day, thinking and praying about the needs of the world and our local community and hearing words from the Bible.

There will be times of course when diary commitments mean it won't be possible, but I'll make sure that St John the Baptist church is still open at that time on those days.

If none of this appeals to you or is not possible for one reason or another, but you would appreciate a prayer then do send any requests to me by email or on a note through my door and we will include them.

Blessings

Michelle

Readings for October 2024



The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading Genesis 2:18-24

2nd Reading Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

October 6th

Psalm 8

Gospel Mark 10:2-16

The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading Amos 5:6-7,10-15

2nd Reading Hebrews 4:12-end

October 13th, 2024

Psalm 90:12-end

Gospel Mark 10:17-31

The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading Isaiah 53:4-end

2nd Reading James 3:1-12

October 20th, 2024

Psalm 91:9-end

Gospel Mark 10:35-45

The Last Sunday after Trinity

1st Reading Jeremiah 31:7-9

2nd Reading Hebrews 7:23 –end

October 27th, 2024

Psalm 126

Gospel Mark 10:46-end

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.

Worship With Us

St John the Baptist, Skelsmergh:

Sunday 6th October - Harvest Festival 11.00am
Sunday 13th October - Holy Communion 11.00am
Sunday 20th October - Holy Communion 11.00am
Sunday 27th October - *joint service at Burneside*

St John the Evangelist, Grayrigg

Sunday 6th October - Harvest Celebration & lunch 11am
Sunday 13th October - Morning Worship 9.30am
Sunday 20th October - Holy Communion 9.30am
Sunday 27th October - Evening Worship 4.00pm

St George, Kendal

Sunday 6th October - Holy Communion 11.00am
Sunday 13th October - Harvest Celebration 11.00am
Sunday 20th October - Holy Communion 9.30am
Sunday 27th October - Morning Worship 11.00am

St Oswald, Burneside

Sunday 6th October - Evening Worship 6.00pm
Sunday 13th October - Morning Worship 11.00am
Sunday 20th October - Holy Communion 11.00am
Sunday 27th October - Holy Communion 11.00am

St Thomas, Selside

Sunday 6th October - Morning Worship 9.30am
Sunday 13th October - Harvest Celebration 6.00pm



Sunday 20th October - Evening Worship 6.00pm

Sunday 27th October - Morning Worship 11am

St Mary's Longsleddale

Sunday 6th October Abbey Service 10.30am

Sandylands Cornerstone Methodist Church

Sunday 6th October: Morning Worship 10.30am Causeway 3pm

Sunday 13th October: Morning Worship 10.30am

Sunday 20th October: All-Age Worship / Café style with Ann Pater 10.30am

Sunday 27th October: Morning Worship 10.30am

Every Tuesday 6.00pm Short Evening Prayer
at St. Oswald's Church, Burneside

Every Wednesday 9.30am: BCP Holy Communion
at St. Oswald's Church, Burneside

Online Worship is available throughout the week via Zoom

Access: : <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86745535327>

+ 44 203 481 5237 or +44 203 481 5240 or +44 203 901 7895

Meeting ID: 86745535327 Or join by phone on any of the numbers:
Regular weekday Zoom services include :

* **Mondays** 8.30pm : Compline

* **Fridays** 8.30pm : Celtic Evening Prayer

BISHOP'S HARVEST APPEAL 2024

I am always so grateful for the wonderful generosity which is shown by churches across Cumbria towards our annual Bishop's Harvest Appeal. Over the last four years, nearly £85,000 has been raised for our partner projects with Christian Aid and the Mothers' Union in Israel, Palestine and the Democratic Republic of Congo. This work has made a real difference in people's lives.

This year sees the start of a new cycle of fundraising, in support of Christian Aid's work in Burkina Faso and that of the Church Mission Society in Northern Argentina – one of our link dioceses. Two local groups – Cumbria Development Education Centre and Carlisle One World Centre – will also benefit.

I'm excited to see how this missional work will play out over the next three years as we again commit to the support of our brothers and sisters in Christ in the wider communion. I pray that lives will again be transformed through these partnerships and that levels of giving will continue to grow.

The Rt Rev Rob Saner-Haigh, Acting Bishop of Carlisle

For many in Burkina Faso, finding land to plant seeds and a place to live long enough to harvest has been a significant challenge. Internal conflicts have forced 2 million people to flee their homes, their communities, and their land. With your support, Christian Aid and its partners have been able to assist internally displaced communities by helping them acquire land, plant crops, and begin rebuilding their lives. In September seed distribution commenced with beans and groundnuts, preparing for the upcoming rainy season.

Father God, we pray for your blessing on the land, that the rains will come at the right time, and the harvest will be abundant, providing food security and hope for the future.

'For the Beauty of the Earth':

An **ECO**  **CHURCH** Celebration
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Saturday 5 October 2024
Carlisle Cathedral

TICKETS
£10
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lunch

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talks about EcoChurch and lunch**

Fratry Hall, 10am - 12.30pm

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To apply for a free ticket, please contact Anna Newlove anna.newlove@carlisle-diocese.org.uk

FREE
ENTRY

Also taking place:

• **Carlisle Farmers' Market**

Cathedral Precinct, 9am - 2pm
Buy and celebrate local produce

• **EcoChurch Stalls**

Undercroft, 10am - 3pm
Find out more about EcoChurch

• **Evening Prayer**

Cathedral, 3pm

CARLISLE
CATHEDRAL



South Lakes Christian Resources

Since the closure of Market Place Books at the end of June, Kendal has been without a place to buy Christian books and cards. A new venture has started to meet this need.

South Lakes Christian Resources is looking to provide local churches with regular or one-off bookstalls. There will be a small selection of Bibles, Christian books, greeting cards and Christmas cards on sale at St George's Church on Mondays (9am-3pm) and at Holy Trinity Church on alternate Saturdays (10am-2pm).



Hannah Dunnett Cards and 2025 Calendars have just arrived!

For more information visit the South Lakes Christian Resources Facebook Page or email slchristian_resources@outlook.com.

Books can also be ordered through Lynne Magee in the Beacon Team office : 01539 720018 admin@beaconteam.org.uk



Kendal with Grayrigg Mothers' Union upcoming meetings:

Wed. 30th October – meeting in the Radley Room, St George's Church with a talk by Anna Gorst , entitled "Ukrainian Families one year on".

Wed. 27th November – meeting in the Radley Room, St George's Church with a talk entitled "Women of the Bible"

Please come and join us, all are welcome

Mary Atkinson (Branch Leader)

Kendal Choral Society **COME AND SING DAY**

Lauridsen, Nocturnes: Sure On This Shining Night
L'Estrange, Songs of a Rainbow Nation
Gjeilo, The Sunrise Mass (excerpts)
Bernstein, West Side Story Medley



Saturday 26th October, 1:30-6:00pm
St. George's Church, Kendal

Director: Duncan Lloyd • Keyboard: Shaun Turnbull

TICKETS: £10 | In aid of Manna House
(pay on the door or ring 01539 725093)

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CUMBRIA
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Sandylands Cornerstone Church and Community News

Totters and Bumps and Babies

Totters

A very lively popular and friendly group which attracts between 40-50 toddlers plus adults every **Monday 9 - 11am**. It runs in *term time* only. The group is run primarily by a team of 5 volunteers. We provide support for the adults as well as activities for the children. Drinks for adults included in the fee. There are plenty of toys (large and small), sit and ride toys, art and crafts, tuff tray messy activities, play dough, sand and sometimes a bouncy castle etc. We also have a quieter room for adults and children who find the other rooms too noisy and busy. The session ends with a healthy snack and a singing time.



Cornerstone Bumps and Babies (CBBs)

This small and friendly group runs in *term time only* on a Monday afternoon from 1.30 - 3pm. It is run by 2 volunteers. We have between 6 - 14 babies from birth to 1 year old plus adults attend on a regular basis. We offer friendship, advice and support to the adults. This is a safe place to come and experience the highs and lows of being a new parent. We attract mums, couples, dads and grandparents (particularly when mum returns to work). We have play mats, rugs etc for the tiny babies and good quality, safe and stimulating toys and a ball pool for the babies to play with as they begin to sit up, move and eventually walk. There is opportunity to weigh the babies as well. Included in the low price is a choice of hot and cold drinks and a selection of lovely homemade cakes or biscuits.

Some of our Groups

Causeway First Sunday of Every Month

3.15pm for Chat and Coffee, Service begins at 4pm

Friendship and praise with our friends in the community with supporting needs, to come together for chat and worship.

Sandylands Friendship Group

This meets at **2pm** on alternate Thursdays, with a speaker, followed by refreshments. £2 per meeting for all attendees.

10th October Tiras Dainty-Share (Arnside Methodist Minister)
24th October Karen Bell: Girls Brigade London Remembrance
Parade 2023 + Normandy beaches

Sandylands Seniors

We meet twice a month from **10am – noon** on a Thursday morning in the church hall. We have a coffee morning with drinks and cake, board games such as Scrabble, Dominoes, Uno etc are available, or just come and chat. Every other meeting is followed at noon with a cooked lunch.

Thursday 3rd October with lunch — this must be pre-booked
(please email mellor.family@tiscali.co.uk to book).
Donations towards costs welcomed.

Thursday 17th October, 10am with coffee and cake.

Sandylands Drop In

Every Wednesday from **10am** till noon.
Why not join us for coffee cake and chat?
Everybody is made welcome.



1st Kendal Girls Brigade

Sandylands Methodist
Church

Mondays from 6pm to
7.30pm (term time only).



We welcome all girls and young women, from age 4+ years (girls must be at school). We play games, listen to stories, get creative, and discuss life issues, all with a Christian ethos underpinning it. Our motto is "Seek, Serve, and Follow Christ" but fun and friendship is important.

There are 4 age groups:

n'vestigate for 4-7's

n'gauge for 8-10's,

n'counta for 11-13yrs old

n'spire organised by the 14+ themselves

For more information contact Karen at 1stkendalgb@gmail.com or just pop down on a Monday night.



3Generate

Each year the Methodist Church holds a gathering for our younger folk for a weekend of fun, teaching and learning more about God. This year it is being held on the weekend of Oct 4-6 2024 The overarching worship theme this year is "Being Wrapped Up in God."

Please pray for the event, its organisers and those attending, that God will touch hearts and minds anew.





Messy[®] CHURCH

Saturday 12th October

3.30-5.30pm

Sandylands Methodist Church

Food

Celebration

**Fun
activities**

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to book**

**Messy Church is part of the Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF),
a Registered Charity. brf.org.uk**



Kendal
Anna Chaplaincy in Cumbria

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KENDAL TEA SERVICE
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TOGETHER

A short service with a Bible reading,
3 **traditional** hymns and prayers
Followed by Tea and Cake

Thursday 17th October 2.30 pm at Kendal Parish Church
For more information about the Tea Service or Anna Chaplaincy
in Kendal please contact Beverley Moore 07507 749238 or
bevmoore.annachaplaincy@gmail.com

From The Registers

Baptisms:

1st September – St George's Kendal
– Megan Kirsten Muriel Emma Pearson
and Archer Malin Toal

8th September – St John's Grayrigg - Ezra Matthew Heavyside

Weddings:

21st September -St John the Baptist, Skelsmergh -
Georgina Carruthers & William Atkinson



Grayrigg Church and Community News

St John The Evangelist , Grayrigg Church Cleaning Rota

October 6th Harvest Festival

October 13th Sally and Wendy

The rota will be published in the magazine each month. If anyone else would like to be added to the rota please contact Pauline Robson

Howgill and Firbank WI

will be holding their next meeting
at 7.30 pm. on Thursday 7th November at Howgill Village Hall.

The speaker is Katie Laidlaw (who had a regular slot on Radio Cumbria about her farm at Dufton). The competition is for a jar of chutney. .

Firbank Dominoes

Tuesday 8th October 7.30pm in the Church Hall



The Grayrigg Good Neighbours

Join us every second Tuesday in the Coronation Hall for a get together and talks or craft activities. All welcome.

Oct 8th THE FRIENDS OF AMASANGO UK

Martin Coombs

Nov.12th CRAFT NIGHT – *Pen & Wash Christmas*

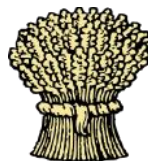
Margaret Jarvis

There will be 10 monthly meetings:
Annual Membership £12 for 10 months.
£3 per visit for non-members.

Upcoming Events

October 6th—Harvest Thanksgiving Service 11am

Followed by Harvest Lunch in the Coronation Hall . No charge for the lunch but donations welcome for Bishops Harvest Appeal



October 26th - Soupa Saturday starting at 11.30 am

There will be a choice of a bowl of soup with a roll, or soup and sandwiches.

It is an ideal time to chat with your friends and neighbours and catch up with local news.

There will also be a raffle and proceeds will go to St John's Church.



Dates for your diary

November 30th - Christmas Fayre 10am-1pm (hampers, plants & potted bowls, calendars, cakes etc.); more details in next months magazine (proceeds for St John's church funds).

December 16th Carol singing in Church (proceeds for the Over 60's Annual Treat)

Grayrigg Rainfall



The rainfall in July 2024 was 90.8mm or 3.57 inches
The rainfall in July 2023 was 221.9mm or 8.73 inches

The average July rainfall over the last 32 years is 116.9mm or 4.61 inches

The rainfall in August 2024 was 165.5mm or 6.52inches
The rainfall in August 2023 was 122.1mm or 4.81 inches

The average August rainfall over the last 32 years is 134.6mm or 5.30 inches.

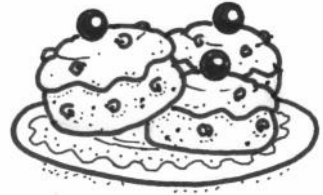
St George's Church Chatter and Natter

Come and Join us on the last Friday
of every month in the Radley Room

October 27th 2024 from 10am to 11.30am

For Tea/coffee, cake and meet
up with friends.

All are welcome
For further information ring
Sue Whittaker 07866341554
Looking forward to seeing you all!



A weekly email with news and updates on services is available -
please contact jean.radley@outlook.com if you would like to be
added to the list.

Services and news from the Beacon Team, as well as an online copy
of this magazine, can also be found at www.beaconteam.org.uk



NOTHING WITHOUT US

Join us to hear the story of the first South
Lakes PTC and our hopes for the future of
Poverty Truth in our area.
Good company, good food and much more!

MONDAY, 14 OCTOBER **12PM TO 3PM**

LADYHOLME CENTRE, WINDERMERE

The final public event of the first Poverty Truth Commission in the
South Lakes - 12pm-3pm, Monday 14 October,
Ladyholme Centre, Windermere LA23 2JA



St George's Community Hub

**Soup, sandwiches, cake and fruit, tea, coffee
and squash are available
between 11.45am and 1pm on
Thursdays.**

**There is a listening ear
available for
anyone who would find that helpful.**

***DO COME AND JOIN US –
ALL ARE WELCOME***

What is a Hassock? Could you rehome one?

From the Old English hassuc "clump of grass, coarse grass," the sense of "thick cushion" is first recorded 1510's, with the likely connection being the perceived similarity of a kneeling cushion and a tuft of grass.

St George's Church has more kneelers or hassocks than it needs and is offering some of them in exchange for a small donation.

Please contact a churchwarden or the Team office to choose your design





The harvest produce was taken to the old people's bungalows

Editor Vacancy

St George's, Kendal and St John's Grayrigg Magazine.

Do you have the interest and aptitude to take on this important voluntary role?

Access to a computer is required, but the work is not too tasking and training will be given.

Please speak with Revd Michelle or Lynne in the Beacon Team Office for more details.

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