



Open The Book How did you hear your first Bible story? Was it on your mum, dad or grandma's knee? Was it in Sunday school or maybe day school? Children love stories, and so many children could miss out on the great classic stories from the Bible – Noah, Daniel and the life of Jesus could be closed chapters if youngsters don't get an opportunity to

engage with the Bible. Open The Book is a national storytelling project that began in 1999. The main aim is "To enable children to hear the stories of the Bible in their primary school years" It is simple, effective, engaging, inexpensive – and fun! The stories are shared weekly by teams of local Christians, using a variety of costumes, props and often involving the children themselves.

It is a three year rolling programme delivered at no charge to the schools. Here in Kendal teams of around 4 or 5 people made up of Christians from St George's, Holy Trinity, St Thomas', United Reform and the Methodist churches have just completed their third year of OpenThe Book stories in three schools. Vicarage Park, Burneside and Selside.

All three school want us to continue in September so we will be revisiting the Year 1 stories. Due to people moving away or just unable to be part of OTB anymore we often find ourselves short and would love some new people to join us. Our greatest need is St Oswald's Burneside on Thursday mornings from 9.30 till 10.45am and Selside on Monday afternoons from 2 till 3.15pm. A weekly commitment is not essential.

We pray that as the children watch and listen to the stories shared so enthusiastically by those who love God and his word, they too will learn about the God who loves each of them.

If you would like to know more please chat to Jenny Goodman.

And visit www.openthebook.net where you can watch a short promotional video.

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NOTICE SHEET FOR NEXT 2 WEEKS

19th - 26th AUGUST and 26th AUGUST - 2nd SEPTEMBER

We extend a **warm welcome to all**, especially visitors.

We invite you to stay **for coffee** after the morning service. There is a **crèche** for under 3's where your baby or toddler can be looked after while you enjoy worship.

If you would like prayer after the service please talk to someone wearing a Green Lanyard or go to the Prayer room

SUNDAY	10.30am	Dr D Spivey - All Age Worship: <i>Steward Jane; Welcomers Agnes & Lesley; Coffee Karen & Louise; Counters Bill & Merv; PA Tom;</i>
THURSDAY	10.00am	Over 60s **
FRIDAY	2.00pm	Cornerstone Crafts
SUNDAY	10.30am	Mr S Hitchcock <i>Steward Karen: Welcomers Elizabeth & Sylvia; Coffee Jenny & Lance: Counters Bill & Merv: PA Ed:</i>
THURS. FRI. ARE AS ABOVE		
SATURDAY 1st	9-10am	Prayer Meeting in Church - all welcome
SUNDAY	10.30am	Mrs J Skinner <i>Steward Jane: Welcomers ?? Coffee Tracey & John: Counters Olive & Freda: PA Lance:</i>
	3.30pm	Causeway


** Over 60s are off on a Mystery Coach Trip on 23rd August so will not be meeting at their usual time.




NOTICES :- Email Elizabeth on liz_stanbridge@hotmail.co.uk or phone 725156

Notices by Thursday evening please. Notices sent after Thursday evening will NOT be included in the notice sheet.

Church Volunteers: Many people who are part of or connected with our church community volunteer their time in lots of different ways - sometimes with a specifically church related task such as being a steward, reading the Bible, or helping with one of the many groups that we run; and sometimes with a skill that they have in their professional life such as plumbing, fundraising or publicity. At our recent Church Council we noted that how, as a whole church, we are extremely grateful to everyone who volunteers their time: however much and in whatever capacity. We also confirmed that as a general principle we do not offer remuneration for this time, but we do pay people's expenses when they have been previously agreed.




Our Harvest Festival is on 23rd September. The service will be followed by a simple lunch of soup, bread and cheese. If you can provide any of these items please give your name to one of the stewards.



The Food Bank is very short of the following foods:- Tinned meat in sauce (ie meatballs); sponge pudding; tins of rice; fruit squash; Uht semi skimmed milk; instant pasta; tins of carrots and sweetcorn; microwave rice. If you can donate any of these please leave as usual in the hub.

Volunteers needed: Our Circuit is hosting District Synod on Saturday September 8th. The Circuit leadership team feel this is a wonderful chance to showcase our Kendal family. As such we need a few volunteers to help with Tea & Coffee especially at lunchtime. If you can spare an hour in the morning, lunchtime or 3pm please let Pastor Marc know as soon as possible.



Please see the Notice Board in the Hub for full information on the Cumbria Ecumenical Prayer Discussion Day being held on Saturday 29th September at Penrith Quaker Meeting House.




Cumbria District MWiB "Together at Thornleigh" ; Nov 5-7 '18. with Jan Sutch Pickard - poet, preacher & storyteller, speaking on "Five Stories of Hope".

Why not join us for a time of learning, refreshment & fellowship at Thornleigh in Grange-o-Sands - a lovely comfortable hotel overlooking Morecambe bay, which produces super meals! There will be a full programme on the Tuesday should you wish to come as a day delegate only, as others from Sandylands did last year. Our evenings will be quite relaxed and entertaining.

Costs :- Full Residential for three days - £140. Day Delegate Tuesday - £18 all inclusive. Other. - by arrangement.

There is a Brochure on the notice board in Church and for further info/application forms, please contact Delphine 01539 737305.

Help Needed to Make "Noah's Arc et al" for the CTiKD Torchlight Float. Calling all Helpers to participate:- Workshops- (AUG 18 - now passed) , AUG 25 and SEP 1. Venue is 39 Kendal Green. This is a private road at the end of Kendal Green so park somewhere near St Thomas School and walk down. Time is 10 am to 4 pm; come and go as you need to. Drinks provided, but please BYO lunch. Jobs to do:- Make the Ark; Create lots of small creatures; Make a raven and a dove (big versions); Make clouds; Make a lot of fish; Maybe some things we have not yet thought of..... Bring: yourself & friends + any craft items, if you have them, that you might think useful. There will be lots to do and if you have never done anything like this before, there will be people to help.

FLOWER APPEAL again!! There is a Flower Rota in Sandgate Hall and at the moment it has very few names. If you would like to buy and bring flowers to brighten the church on a Sunday please add your name to the list.

