

# CORNERSTONE

SANDYLANDS METHODIST CHURCH



Following discussions at both the church council and stewards' meetings about the roles and responsibilities of stewards, and, in order to encourage more to volunteer as stewards, it has been agreed to simplify the roles into two. We would like to have a team of four Worship stewards, who will focus on Sunday services, welcoming the minister giving notices and preparing and securing the building before and after the service. These stewards would not be expected to participate in the six weekly meetings held by the remaining stewards. The remaining stewards would also be on the Sunday service rota so this would mean just one per quarter.

The other stewards, ideally four, would continue to be a core team who plan, administer and oversee the functioning of the church – both in terms of worship and activities. Church groups would continue to feed into the church council, where all decisions would continue to be made. Their role would be to support and facilitate the minister in carrying out their vision and to promote the unity of the church. This would be done in conjunction with all groups and office holders, so enabling the church to work together for the glory of God. If you feel that you could assist by being either Steward please speak to Barbara, Paul (Atherton) or Beth. Thank you

**Church Council Secretary:** Rebecca Preston is stepping down as Church Council Secretary at the end of the year. This means we are looking for a new CC Secretary. If you think this is something you could do please speak to Tricia or Jeff.

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## NOTICE SHEET FOR WEEK 12th - 19th JANUARY

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

## THIS WEEKS ACTIVITIES

<b>TODAY</b>	10.30am	Mrs Barbara Fryers	Steward Beth: Welcomers Jeanette & Paul:
		Coffee Alastair & Jane:	Counters Bill & Merv: PA Ann Marie
<b>MONDAY</b>	9.30am	Totters	
	1.30pm	CBBs	
	6.15pm	Girls Brigade	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Church Council</b>	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10.00am	Drop In in the lounge	
	6.00pm	Activ8	6.30pm XLR8
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10.00am	Over 60's	
	2.00pm	Friendship Group - 'Enjoying Wild Flowers' with Andrew Skinner— all welcome	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	2.00pm	Cornerstone Crafts	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	10.00am	Who Let the Dads Out	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	10.30am	Rev Michael Hunter (pulpit exchange) - All Age Worship	
		Steward Barbara: Welcomers Linda & Tracey: Coffee Sally & Merv:	
		Counters Mavis & Peter: PA Lance:	

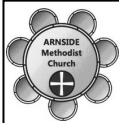
Today's Readings: Isaiah 42:1-9 Matthew 3:13-17 Acts 10:34-43

**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.

**Marriage and Relationships** meeting being held this week - Thursday 16th January at Stricklandgate [using the hall] 7pm - 9.30pm.

Our Circuit has produced a small booklet 'God in Love Unites Us: Additional Study Guide' looking at some of the Biblical passages which will help inform our discussions. These are available in church. **Please take one to read** and study and come along to one of the discussions.


The full report can be found on the web <https://www.methodist.org.uk/media/12606/3240-10-amended-marriage-and-relationships-report.pdf>



Praise & Prayer at Arnside Methodist Church this Friday 17 January at 7.00pm. Everyone welcome.

**PASTORAL TRAINING.** If you are already a Pastoral Visitor, or have a pastoral interest in members of our church fellowship and are thinking about what the role entails... Please put a note in your diary and make an effort to come along to 3 sessions of Pastoral Training in the New Year. Our own Rev. Tricia Rogers will be leading these evenings. As well as improving our listening skills there will be opportunities to learn from each other. So it promises to be a good and beneficial time.

The sessions will also be open to Stricklandgate church and will run from 7 - 8.30pm, so you'll be home in good time for bed! The dates for the first two evenings are Tuesdays 21st January and 4th February. The third date is 'to be arranged'. Please have a word with Lance or Jenny Goodman or Jane McNeill if you will need transport. Thank you.

 **4Cs Coffee Morning:** Our next Coffee Morning is Saturday 1st February 10.00am—12noon. There will be our usual Cake and Jam Stall as well as Scarves and used Christmas Presents. Please support us if you can.

Advanced Warning: The following coffee morning will be on 2nd May and will be our Plant Sale so start planting!!!!



### Sandylands does Alpha!

An Alpha course is starting on Thursday 23rd January 2020, running weekly starting at 7pm- location to be confirmed.

Alpha is a film series exploring the big questions around life, faith and meaning. We will meet together to share a meal and watch a video in the series. After the video there will be a chance to ask questions and discuss perspectives on life's big topics. All are welcome! Whether you're an atheist, agnostic or confess a faith, you are welcome to join in the conversation. If you know anyone that might be interested or want to come yourself we would love to see you there! Just drop me a message if you're interested or have any questions.

There are 4 ways you can help:

**PRAY-** Very important! We would love for people to be praying specifically when Alpha is happening- prayer cards to follow!

**COOK-** Make a meal for the group (sign up sheet on notice board) prepare for at least 15 people.

**COME-** Come yourself or bring a friend.

**DONATE-** Any donations would be appreciated to help fund the venue for the Holy Spirit weekend and to contribute to the cost of meals.

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Message from easyfundraising.com - Raise even more in January by reminding your supporters to use easyfundraising when they book holidays and getaways this month. It's the time of year when people book their summer holiday and because we've DOUBLED donations on travel with selected retailers this week, your supporters can raise TWICE as much for Sandylands Methodist Church Kendal when they book with Expedia, Secret Escapes, Virgin Holidays, Onthebeach, Lastminute.com and many more!

**Pilgrim Poets:** Why not try something new for 2020? A new group is starting at M:HUB on Tuesday 14 January at 7.30pm and then on the second Tuesday of each month.

Come along and explore the ways in which contemporary poets have written about God and drink coffee at the same time! No experience or expertise necessary. Everyone very welcome. £2.00 donation towards cost of coffee and room hire.

**Volunteers desperately needed for Tuesday Lunch club at Stricklandgate**

The lunch club provides a hot 3 course meal for people who want to come together for company and a hot meal. Most of the folk live alone and live all across Kendal, so this time together is very important in alleviating loneliness.

The meal is cooked by different teams each week with about 6 people on each team. So you would be asked to volunteer once a month. Please contact Tricia or Jeff for more details

**Events at St Georges Church**

Community Hub every Tuesday From 11.30am to 1.30pm they have soup, sandwiches and cake, and drinks and biscuits

Sacred Space first Thursday of every month at 7.45pm. ( for 45 mins) It's an opportunity to grow closer to God. It includes silence and quiet music

First Saturday Breakfast (on the first Saturday of the month!!) is from 8.30am to 9.30am – continental style - with a Thought for the Day.

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