

CORNERSTONE

SANDYLANDS METHODIST CHURCH



notice sheet...

Sunday 15th December - Melanie Greenall (AAW/Nativity)

Sunday 22nd December - Jeff Thomas (Communion)

Tea and coffee are served after morning worship. Please join us in further fellowship.
There is a crèche for children under 3, and Sunday Club for school aged children.

To contact our Minister

Please email Melanie Greenall on; revmelanie.methodist@gmail.com or call; **01539 720513**.

Church Room Bookings

All enquiries to Helen Ainsworth.

sandylandschurchbookings@gmail.com

Helen will try to respond within 3 working days.

Something for the Notices or Facebook?

If you'd like something including, email;

sandylandsnotices@gmail.com

Please send before 6pm Thursday.

CAROL SINGING AROUND SANDYLANDS

Tuesday 17th December, meet at Church at 6:30pm

Would you like to join us for ONE NIGHT ONLY visiting a few residential areas
in Sandylands to spread the good news of Christmas by singing carols.

Carol sheets will be provided.

No previous performing experience necessary, just plenty of enthusiasm.

We also would like a musician who could accompany the singing.



If you are interested, please let Fiona or Geoff Barrett know via email moomsles@gmail.com
Mince pies and mulled wine after the event.

CAROLS WITH BURNESIDE BRASS

Sunday 15th December, 6:30pm

We're delighted Burneside Brass Band are playing for our annual
Sing Christmas Carol Concert on Sunday 15th December.

What could be more Christmassy?

To make it go with a swing we need your favourite carol.

Please let Rev Melanie know your choices by Dec 9th 2024 at the latest.

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Christmas Eve, 4pm

We are holding a Christmas Eve Christingle service this year.

I would be very grateful for any donations of oranges, sweets (eg dolly mixtures)
and raisins please. Please could they be brought next Sunday morning
and placed in the box in the kitchen?

Thank you. Jeanne

NEW CHURCH COUNCIL SECRETARY NEEDED

Lisa Roberts is standing down as CC secretary so we need an enthusiastic replacement for her.
The role includes preparing for church council meetings which take place 3 times each year,
as well as the general church meeting (usually in the summer) by receiving reports and
distributing them to CC members, preparing the agenda with Melanie, writing and
distributing minutes, and some other secretarial tasks arising from the meetings.

If you are interested, please talk with Lisa or Melanie about it,
you will be welcomed with open arms.

THE FOOD BANK

Please support our food bank, especially as we near Christmas.

It would be lovely to see things like selection boxes, mince pies etc.

It would be great to see the food bank as full as it was after Harvest on a regular basis

It only takes everyone to bring a tin or a packet every so often.

Thank you.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday 28th December, 8:30am - Wetherspoons

Don't forget, next Men's Breakfast, on Saturday 28th December at Wetherspoons,

All Hallows Lane, Kendal at 8.30am. (After Christmas).

If you'd like any more information, please speak to Paul Rodman.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES FOR INTERNATIONAL AID TRUST

A final word for 2024 (for anyone not in church last Sunday)

The response this year has been quite amazing - 121 boxes were filled.

A HUGE thank you to the following for your generosity in filling boxes,

making cash donations for items needed and for transport costs.

- our church members, your families, friends and neighbours
- our church groups, Totters and Babes, Friendship group, Girls Brigade
 - Sandgate and Stramongate schools
 - Kendal Lions Club

NB. We now have NO empty shoeboxes left for next year so please keep any you should come across - we can store them!

Wendy

CUMBRIA CIRCUIT

As part of the planning for the new Cumbria circuit, which comes into being on Sept 1st 2025, the implementation group are keen to hear the views of as many folk as possible on how it should be shaped. To this end, postcards have been printed asking -

What is it about Methodism that brings you joy?

What is the yearning of your heart for the Cumbria circuit ?

Please ask one of the stewards for one and return to church before Christmas.

I will then deliver them to Helen Hooley.

Please take this opportunity to shape the future, after all we cannot complain about things being done to us, if we've not used our voices.

Rev Melanie Greenall

A PRAYER FOR KIRKBY LONSDALE

written by Rev Richard Snow, Rector, Kirkby Lonsdale Ministry Team.

For any who have been injured:

We pray God's peace.

For the rescue workers - fire, police, medics:

We pray God's strength.

For the local community, offering comfort and help:

We pray God's compassion.

For those who are grieving loss of any kind:

We pray God's comfort.

For the people of Kirkby Lonsdale and the deep sadness they feel:

We pray God's light in our lives.

In the midst of the sadness we give thanks for every sign of the
resilience of the human spirit; every act of kindness and compassion;
every gesture of sympathy; every offer of help.

Be with us, our Lord Jesus, you who bear our sorrows,
and in whom nothing can separate us from the love of God.

Amen

THANK YOU FROM SCOPE

On behalf of SCOPE, Kendal, may I please thank both Sandylands Church & Totters Group
for allowing us to sell Christmas Cards & to you wonderful people
for purchasing some over these past couple of weeks.

You've helped & supported all ages with Learning Differences & Disabilities
and we are very happy to say we've sold over £90's worth!

So thank you each and all for your kindness and generosity.

Wishing you all a Very Joyous Christmas & Every Blessing from all at SCOPE Kendal Shop.

Marilyn - Volunteer - Scope