

CORNERSTONE

SANDYLANDS METHODIST CHURCH



notice sheet...

Sunday 12th January - Melanie Greenall (Covenant/Communion)

Sunday 19th January - Melanie Greenall (AAW)

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.

RUSSELL PEART - CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE

Tuesday 14th January, 1:30pm

Stuart and Karen and their family invite you to a "Celebration of Life" service for
(Joseph) Russell Peart (Karen's Dad) on Tuesday 14th January, at 1:30pm
at Sandylands Methodist Church.

Please join us afterwards for a cuppa and a chat in Sandgate Hall.

CLELEBRATING THE LIFE OF SUSAN BIELBY

Tuesday 28th January, 12pm

You are welcome to join Richard and Sally and family as they celebrate the life of Sue
in a Service of Thanksgiving on 28th January at 2pm at Sandylands
and then to join us after for refreshments.

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.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 4th February, 7:30pm

The next Sandylands Church Council Meeting is on Tuesday 4th February at 7.30pm
in the sanctuary.

All are welcome to the meeting to hear about and discuss issues and events in
Sandylands Church life. You don't have to be a church council member to attend,
but only council members can take part in voting.

We would welcome new council members. If you are interested please do come to the meeting
to see what goes on, or talk with Melanie or any of the stewards.

AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday 25th January

The next afternoon tea is on the 25th January (Burns Night) personally prefer cake to haggis.

The tickets this time will be £12.50 due to increase prices for ingredients.

I will be making up a church table for those coming alone already have 3 books onto that table.

Half the tickets have already been pre booked so if you want afternoon tea at 100 Acre Wood
speak to Jenny Mellor before we are sold out.

Proceeds going towards the cost of the air source heat pump.

CTIK MEETING - 15TH JANUARY

The venue for the CTiKD meeting has changed to Shanthi's Vicarage - 2 Lynngarth Drive, Kendal.

PASTORAL VISITING

Supporting one another is a really important part of being a church family. Some people play an active part in church life, whilst others can only get to church occasionally, or maybe not at all. Whatever our situation, and ability to get involved, we are all equally important and loved by God. We are blessed at Sandylands in having a dedicated team of pastoral carers. This enables us to reach out – especially during difficult times - and offer support and encouragement.

Everyone in our church family – whether a church member or not – is allocated a pastoral link. Currently we are in need of two or three more volunteers to be a pastoral link. You would have four or five names on your list, and arrange with each person how they would like to keep in touch with you. We try to allocate a mix of people who attend church regularly and those who don't, so that the role is shared out as evenly as possible. We have twice yearly meet-ups to raise any issues and allocate membership cards, and there is always support available if needed.

If you think this is something you could consider doing, then please have a chat with Rev Melanie or Barbara, and they can explain in a bit more detail. There would be no obligation. Thank you.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Thursday 16th January

Meetings resume on Thursday January 16th at 2pm when we catch up after the Christmas break with shared New Year 'nibbles'.

Unfortunately our booked speaker for 30th January has had to cancel as she is quite poorly so unless I can find someone to fill the slot it will have to be 'chat and cake' that afternoon.

Wendy

INTERNATIONAL AID TRUST

Please see noticeboard in the Hub - a thank you for the shoeboxes from IAT.

I understand that the vast majority of the shoeboxes we sent have gone to Ukraine (over 5,000) with a few hundred going to Transylvania.

NB: We are hoping to have an update on all their projects at one of the forthcoming Friendship group meetings this Spring.

Watch this space for the date.



The
Piano Playlist

STORTH VILLAGE CHURCH

23RD FEB  AT 4PM

EASY LISTENING PIANO MUSIC, PLAYED LIVE,
SPANNING A TWO HUNDRED YEAR PERIOD

 DONATIONS FOR
CHURCH WELCOME

REFRESHMENTS
INCLUDED 

BACH, BEETHOVEN, SCOTT JOPLIN, CHOPIN, MENDELSSOHN, LISZT & MORE

Our Implementation Group are working hard to keep the process on track and are now at the stage where we want to step up consultation and engagement with all our congregations and partners across Cumbria. We are building our communications strategy so an Update and a Mailchimp post should come out monthly on the first Tuesday. Alongside this we are planning some Zoom meetings for a Tuesday evening at 5:00 pm for Superintendents in week 2 (from 11th Feb) and all Ministers in week 4 (from 25th Feb).

The Strategy and Vision Group want to give everyone across the new circuit the opportunity to engage in creating a vision for the future up to and beyond September 2025. This will include:

- Opportunity to complete and return postcards
- Campfire discussions in January
- Zoom conversations with the implementation group
- A creative art project

We are hoping to have a first draft of a vision statement ready during February. This isn't the end of the process, but a starter for ongoing consultation. To inform the process, it is hoped that as many people as possible will also attend campfire discussions, but for those who can't, ideas can be written on postcards to ensure we reach more people.

The Group are producing opening worship, and discussion questions, to guide the sessions, intended to last for 1-1.5 hours. **Look out for details of where and when your local Campfires are being held.** Some will be outside, others inside.

On the 21st November a joint Invitation Committee met and appointed David Newlove as the Superintendent of our new Cumbria Circuit from 1st September 2025.

David is currently a Co-Superintendent of the North Cumbria Circuit. He came to Cumbria from Lincolnshire 6 years ago and has fallen in love with the County. As part of his ministry here he has developed chaplancy roles at the Borderway Auction Mart in Carlisle and at Cumberland Infirmary. Alongside Superintendency David is the Mission Area Lead for Cumbria Mission Area and a Deputy Chair for the North West England District. As he takes up his new role David will have served as a Superintendent for 26 years.



A number of legal decisions will need to be approved at Church Councils and Circuit Meetings in Feb/March so look out for local dates

Finally, as we continue to pray for patience and understanding while we develop this exciting initiative, we wish you a peaceful, happy and blessed Christmas.

The background of the entire page is a photograph of a large, ancient stone building with the word 'RHEGED' carved into its facade. The building is built with large, rectangular stone blocks and is situated on a hillside. The sky is blue with some light clouds. There are three semi-transparent text boxes overlaid on the image: a teal one in the top left, a tan one in the middle right, and a dark green one in the bottom left. The text in these boxes is white or light-colored for readability.

Children, Youth & Families Network

*Are you a key youth/children/
family leader in your Project,
Church or Sunday Group?*

*If so, this network is for you! A
time to meet, share advice,
resources and spend some
time together in fellowship.*

**Join us for coffee, cake
and a catch up :
11am-11.30pm
on 14th January at the
Rheged Centre Coffee Shop
CA11 0DQ**

**Contact Rev. Lawrence
Basham for more info:
07891001592 or email Lol
Wood:
lol@cilfamilyproject.org**



Kendal **Methodist** Circuit

**Worship to reflect on the coming of Christ
into our lives**

‘Hush the Noise’



Tuesday 14th January 2025

in Levens Methodist Church

Fresh Coffee/Tea and cakes from 10.15am

Worship from 11am

All are welcome

Campfire Conversations



Cumbria Methodist Circuit

A time to share the joys of faith we have received, and explore the way God is leading us together in the future.

Be part of the conversation ...

Storth Village Church LA7 7JQ

2:30pm Monday 27th January

Cornerstone Methodist Church

Sedbergh LA10 5AF

2:00pm Thursday 23rd January

Cornerstone Methodist Church

Sedbergh LA10 5AF

6:00pm Tuesday 28th January

contact Helen Hooley on
helen.hooley@methodist.org.uk

Talk on Palestine

Friends Meeting House Wednesday January 22nd 7.00 – 9.00 pm



Hilary Davis spent three months in Jericho as a volunteer with the **Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel (EAPPI)**

Since the 7th October 2023, the two checkpoints which split the Jordan Valley from the rest of the West Bank have created many problems for local Palestinians. Hilary will talk about the Economic, Medical and Environment impacts of these two checkpoints on the local communities.

Find out more and (if you are able) book a FREE ticket on [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/daily-life-in-jordan-valley-and-the-west-bank-tickets-1136089336789) <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/daily-life-in-jordan-valley-and-the-west-bank-tickets-1136089336789>

Or search on Eventbrite for Daily-life-in-jordan-valley-and-the-west-bank

Tickets are not essential but help us estimate numbers . Come anyway and bring a friend!