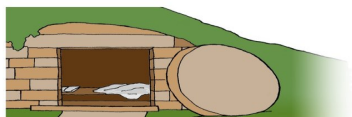


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Letter from Rev Melanie Greenall,
Minister at Sandylands and Stricklandgate Methodist Churches

Dear Friends,

We're lucky in Kendal to be able to see some of the latest block buster movies or more specialist films, if that is your fancy, at a reasonable price. I wonder if you prefer escapism, to be transported to another place and time (if only for an hour or two), or to be challenged, inspired, moved. Those sentiments were how I felt after seeing *One Life*, the story of Sir Nicholas Winton. During the horrors of World War II he saved 669 children from the clutches of Nazi Germany. Remarkably his story only came to light after 'that silly programme' (as Winton's wife called it) *That's Life*, uncovered paperwork detailing events in Prague many years before. The film title is based on some words from the Talmud: "If you save one life, you save the world." Do what you can. What little we have can make the difference. Nicolas Winton lived that out. He was a bank clerk who saw appalling suffering and determined if he could do something he must. He used his paperwork skills and with his formidable mother arranged several train loads of children to come to England, with the hope they'd one day be re-united with parents left behind. For many, if not most, that was impossible as they'd been slaughtered by one of the most civilized nations of the day. A bank clerk used his one life to make a difference. Today its estimated several thousand people, descendants of the original children, are alive because of him. The point is poignantly made in the film's final scene as the grand-children of one child Winton saved play in his swimming pool.

During Lent, Christians recall one life offered to save others; how Jesus willingly gave his life that others and the generations that followed may live. One life lived. One life offered. That one life, of unimaginable love, which sought to welcome and include all - rich or poor, male or female - is who we try and follow day by day as his followers. In Lent, we remind ourselves of the huge challenge and commit ourselves again to learn from him. At the end of Lent, on Good Friday (March 29th) we recall one day that seemed to mark the end as Jesus hung on a cross but 3 days later one life amazingly come again as my favourite Easter hymn puts it *Now the Green Blade Rises*. One life that gave and continues to give life to millions. As we journey on, we can do worse than live by Winton's words '*Don't be content in your life just to do no wrong, be prepared every day to try and do some good.*'

Grace and Peace

Melanie

Worship With Us

St John the Baptist, Skelsmergh:

Sunday 3rd March Lent 3- Holy Communion 11.00am
Sunday 10th March - Mothering Sunday with Selside 11.00am
Sunday 17th March Lent 5 – Passiontide begins Morning Worship 11.00 am
Sunday 24th March - Palm Sunday with Burneside
Thursday 28th March-Maundy Thursday Team Passover Meal at Grayrigg
Sunday 31st March –Easter Day Holy Communion 9.300am

St John the Evangelist, Grayrigg

Sunday 3rd March Lent 3 Holy Communion BCP 9.30am
Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday Lent 4 Morning Worship 9,30am
Sunday 17th March Lent 5 Passiontide Begins Holy Communion CW 9,30am
Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday -Evening Worship 4.00pm
Thursday 28th March Maundy Thursday– Team Passover Meal at Grayrigg
Friday 29th March Good Friday Service at the Beacon
Sunday 31st March Easter Day Holy Communion 9.30am

St George, Kendal

Sunday 3rd March Lent 3 Holy Communion 11.00am
Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday Lent 4 Morning Worship 11.00am
Sunday 17th March Lent 5 Passiontide Begins Holy Communion 9.30am
Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday Morning Worship 11.00am
Thursday 28th March Maundy Thursday Team Passover Meal at Grayrigg
Friday 29th March Good Friday An hour at the Cross
Sunday 31 st March Easter Day Holy Communion 11.00am

St Mary's Longsleddale

Sunday 3rd March Abbey Service 10.30am
Thursday 28th March Maundy Thursday Team Passover Meal at Grayrigg
Sunday 31st March Easter Day Holy Communion 11.00am



St Oswald, Burneside

Sunday 3rd March Lent 3 Evening Worship 4.00pm

Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday Lent 4 Holy Communion 11.00am

Sunday 17th March Lent 5 Passiontide Begins Morning Worship 11.00am

Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday Holy Communion 11.00am

Thursday 28th March Maundy Thursday Team Passover Meal at Grayrigg

Friday 29th March Good Friday Meditative Service

Sunday 31st March Easter Day Holy Communion 11.00am

St Thomas, Selside .

Sunday 3rd March Lent 3 Morning Worship 9.30am

Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday Holy Communion 11.00 am

Sunday 17th March Lent 5 Passiontide Begins Evening Worship 4.00pm

Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday Holy Communion 9.30am

Thursday 28th March Maundy Thursday Team Passover Meal at Grayrigg

Sunday 31st March Easter Day Holy Communion 9.30am

Sandylands Cornerstone Methodist Church

Sunday 3rd March Holy Communion 10.30am Causeway 3.00pm

Sunday 10th March Mothering Sunday Morning Worship .10.30am

Sunday 17th March all age worship 10.30am

Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday Morning Worship 10.30am

Sunday 31st March Easter Day Holy Communion 8.30am and
Holy Communion 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*

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Regular weekday Zoom services include :

* **Mondays** 8.30pm : Compline

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

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 <https://www.beaconteam.org.uk/>

Readings for March 2024

The Third Sunday of Lent

1st Reading Exodus 20:1-17

2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 1:18-25

March 3rd, 2024

Psalm 19

Gospel John 2:13-22

Mothering Sunday

1st Reading Exod.2:1-10 or 1 Sam.1:20-end

2nd Reading 2 Cor.1:3-7 or Colos.3:12-17
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March 10th, 2024

Psalm 34:11-20 or 127:1-4

Gospel Luke 2:33-35 or John 19:25b

The Fifth Sunday of Lent

1st Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34

2nd Reading Hebrews 5:5-10

March 17th, 2024

Psalm 51:1-13 or 119:9-16

Gospel John 12:20-33

Palm Sunday

Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16

1st Reading Isaiah 50:4-9a

2nd Reading Philippians 2:5-11

March 24th, 2024

Psalm 118:1-2, 19 - end

Psalm 31:9-16

Mark 14:1 to 15:end. or Mark 15:1-39
(40-end)

Easter Day

1st Reading Acts 10:34-43 or Isa 25:6-9

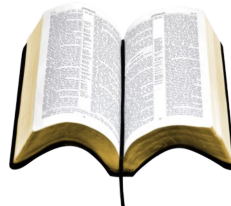
2nd Reading 1 Cor 15:1-11

or Acts 10:34-43

March 31st, 2024

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Gospel John 20:1-18 or Mark 16:1-8.



From The Registers



Baptisms

11th February –St George’s Kendal
- Hallie Emelia Gill

Weddings

20th January— St John the Baptist ,Skelsmergh
Emily Holmes & Carl Perry

Funerals:

2nd February - St George’s Kendal-
Paul Schwarzer

9th February - St George’s Kendal -
Christopher Askew

16th February –St George’s Kendal -
Robert Heaton

Burial of Ashes

19th January –Skelsmergh -
Pauline Cox

The Annual General Meeting was held on 31st January 2024 with 18 members present, apologies from 2 and we welcomed one guest. Prior to the meeting Revd Jean Radley officiated at the Eucharist.

At the meeting, chaired by Revd Jean, reports were presented by the Branch leader, Secretary and Treasurer (see highlights below).

There were several changes; Jenni resigned as secretary, and Judith as treasurer. Both were thanked for all their dedication and hard work and presented with a card and flowers from all the members. Judith agreed to be secretary and Eileen Allen agreed to be the treasurer. Karen also joined the committee.

Following the meeting members enjoyed a time of fellowship with tea and scones – a lovely surprise – thank you to Sheena, and to Jean.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 27th March at 2pm in the Radley Room, St George's Church, when Revd Angela Whittaker's talk is entitled 'Transformation is now'. Visitors are welcome to join us.

Best wishes

Mary Atkinson (Branch Leader)

Highlights from the annual reports:

Our membership is now 19, having welcomed 2 new members. 3 of our members are housebound but are contacted/visited on a regular basis. We are always looking for new speakers, and volunteers for the rotas.

Talks over the past year included 'Digital Awareness', 'Shoeboxes for Romania', 'Old Kendal with slides', 'Carers Support South Lakes' 'A pilgrimage to France'. We made posies for Mothering Sunday, shared our crafts & memories, and when the expected speaker did not turn up, we reminisced about Christmas traditions (which was particularly enjoyable). In March St George's church hosted the World Day of Prayer service and the MU Deanery Songs of Praise. In December, as usual, we enjoyed an excellent Christmas Meal together.

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

Only one meeting which is March 28th at 2pm

Speaker : Rev Les Hann – agriculture Chaplain

Sandylands Seniors

Come and join us for board games twice a month from 10am to 12 noon.

March 7th followed by a cooked lunch, which must be pre-booked (please email mellor.family@tiscali.co.uk).

March 21st this includes tea/coffee and cake. Donations towards costs accepted .

4Cs coffee morning : March 16th 10am to 12pm

For emergency aid for Palestinians in Gaza

GIRLS BRIGADE



1st Kendal Girls Brigade is suitable for all girls and young women, from age 4+ (girls must be at school).

We meet at Sandylands Methodist Church on Mondays from 6pm to 7-30pm (term time only).

Sometimes our very youngest members leave after a drink and biscuit at 7.15pm

Our n'vestigate group is 4-7years olds, n'gauge for 8-10's, n'counta for 11-13yrs old and the 14 plus organise themselves as an n'spire group.

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.

We look forward to meeting you. For more information contact Karen at 1stkendalgb@gmail.com or just pop down on a Monday night.



Messy CHURCH

Saturday 9th March

3.30-5.30pm

Sandylands Methodist Church

Food

Celebration

**Fun
activities**

For more details contact :-

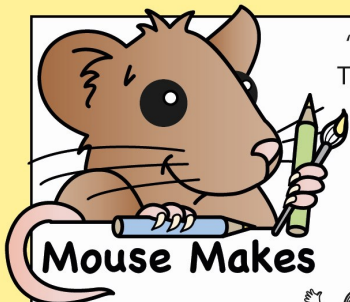
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**Messy Church is part of the Bible Reading Fellowship (BRF),
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"I am the **resurrection** and the life.
The one who believes in me will live
even though they die."

John 1:25



READ the Bible
passages to find
the answers to the
crossword clues

Mouse Makes

Matthew 21:1-11

- Which city did Jesus ride into?
- What did he ride on?
- What did the crowd shout?
- What did clothes did they put down?
- What did they cut down to spread on the road?



Matthew 26:17-29

- What feast did Jesus celebrate?
- Who did he celebrate it with?
- What did Jesus break to eat?

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**Anna
Chaplaincy**
for older people

Kendal
Anna Chaplaincy in Cumbria

Everyone is welcome to the

KENDAL TEA SERVICE

BRINGING PEOPLE

TOGETHER

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

Thursday 21st March, 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
bevmoores.annachaplaincy@gmail.com

World Day of Prayer 2024

Friday 1st March, 2pm - Salvation Army Gillinggate

The service this year is to be held at the Salvation Army Gillinggate, on
Friday 1st March at 2pm.

Written by the women of Palestine, there will be much to pray about.
All are welcome to this special yearly global ecumenical service.

Grayrigg Church and Community News

St John The Evangelist , Grayrigg

Church Cleaning Rota

March 3rd Sue Harper

March 17th Sally and Wendy

April 21st Sally and Wendy

The rota will be published in the magazine each month

If you wish to join the team contact Ann Kendal on 01539
824276

Good Friday, March 29th.

A Walk up Whinfell Beacon with a short service at the summit (leaving from the Mast at 1.30pm).

Followed by refreshments in the Coronation Hall, with a decorated Easter Egg Competition and an Easter Egg Hunt.

This is a Community event organised by the Church, Ladybirds, and the Friends of Grayrigg School

All are Welcome

Firbank Dominoes

Tuesday 12th March and Tuesday 9th April

Firbank Church Hall at 7.30pm



Upcoming Events

March 9th 2024 – Grayrigg Variety Concert.

This will be held on Saturday 9th March starting at 7.30pm. It is hoped that the concert will be the usual mix of songs and sketches, and the money raised will go to a local charity. There will be a raffle and ice cream for sale in the interval.

May 25th 2024 – Plant Sale

This will be in the Coronation Hall between 10.0am and 1pm. All types of flowers and plants are available. Coffee, tea, and cakes will also be on sale .

Orders please no later than April 10th to Ann – 01539824276 or Kath on 07736125236 or kath.dickinson@btinternet.com.

All proceeds for St John's Church

David Last

Grayrigg Rainfall

The rainfall in January 2024 was 247.8mm or 9.75 inches

The rainfall in January 2023 was 240.3mm or 9.46 inches

The average January rainfall over the last 32 years is

171.1mm or 6.74 inches



Sandylands Drop In



Every Wednesday from 10.00 till noon.
Why not join us for coffee cake and chat.
Everybody is made welcome.

St George's Church Chatter and Natter

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

There will be no meeting in March as
the date falls on Good Friday but we
will be back to normal in April.



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

All are welcome For further information ring

Sue Whittaker 07866341554
Look forward to seeing you all!



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 –
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Organist of Settle Parish Church**



**Tuesday 5th March
12 noon to 1pm
St George's Church Castle St. Kendal**

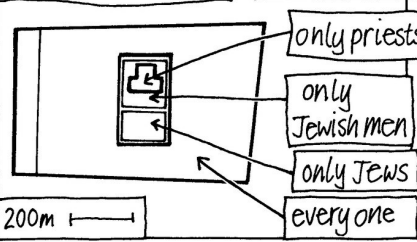
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A short story from the Bible

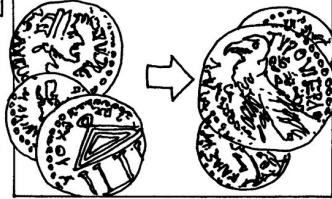
It can be read in the Bible in
Mt 21:12-16, Mk 11:15-18, Lk 19:45-48

When Jesus reached Jerusalem he went to the Temple, built as a place where everyone could worship God, but with restrictions...

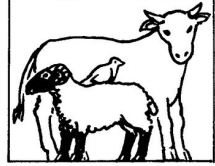
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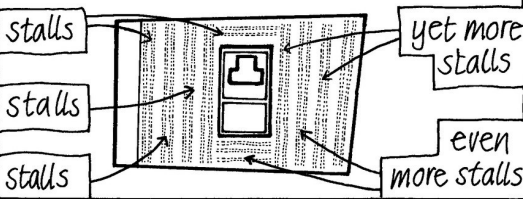
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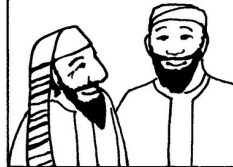
They had to buy special animals to sacrifice...



and the stalls filled the only place that non-Jews could come to worship God



The chief priests had no problem with this...



but it made Jesus very angry...



so he drove them out



This should be a place of prayer but you have made it into a den of thieves *

* Isaiah 56:7, Jeremiah 7:11

Hosanna!



He is upsetting everything.

We must have him killed

But the crowds love him - we must do it secretly.



"The new vicar is really cool, Dad.
Did you know that God emailed the Ten
Commandments to Moses' Tablet PC?"

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