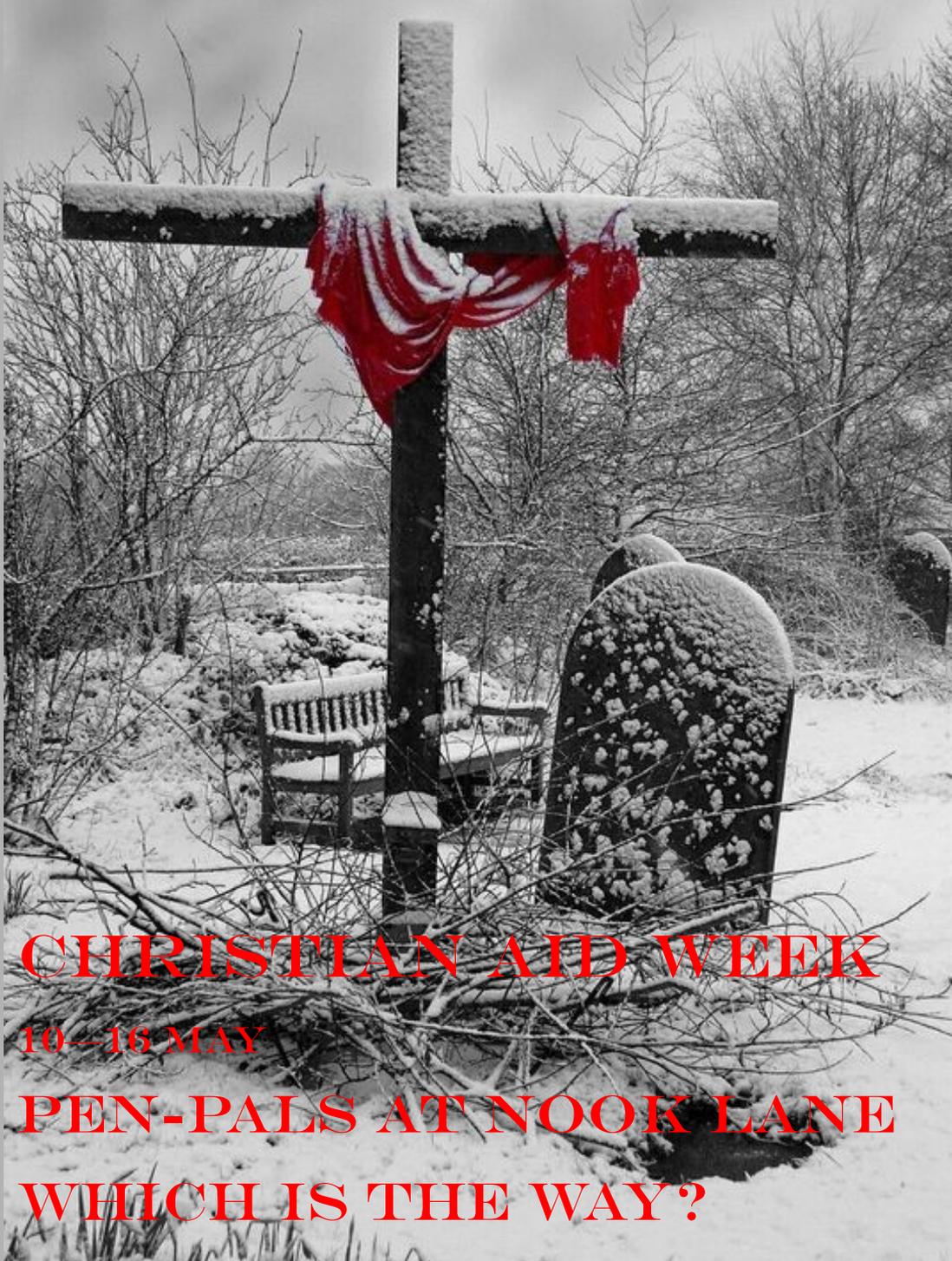


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A magazine for everyone in Stannington



What's on at Christ Church Church Street, Stannington



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SUNDAY WORSHIP

10.30 Sunday Service on 1st and 3rd Sundays will be a live Zoom service which will include a discussion. Please see website for details of how to obtain joining instructions.

10.30 Sunday Service on the 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sundays each month is Holy Communion and is pre-recorded. The recordings of the services and sermons are available on You Tube from the home page of the website.

www.achurchnearyou.com/church/17506

For Easter Services see page 5

The church building is closed.

We will continue to review these arrangements in line with government guidance and update our website and noticeboard.

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Christ Church mission statement:

To know and share God's love for all, growing in Christian community

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Revd Tim Fletcher writes:



Hope in times of uncertainty

As I write the Prime Minister has just set out a road map to come out of national lockdown with hopes for various stages in the easing of restrictions.

While this gives us hope for the future, if we are honest, many of us still feel anxious about what that future will hold: what will be the impact of this on our children's education, what will job opportunities look like, what state will our finances be after all this? Added to this are concerns about people's mental health with the onset of problems during these periods of isolation or maybe worsening of existing ones. The future is still not certain and there will be no immediate return to pre-Coronavirus ways of living.

So how can we have real hope in these uncertain times? I think we have learnt a hard lesson that things can change: significantly and suddenly. Previous generations have learnt this during times of war and we too have been learning this with the pandemic – a real shake up of everything. What have we been learning about where we place our hope, what we place our hope on and who we place our hope in?

Firstly, I think we have been learning that where we can traditionally place our hope i.e. in studying hard, working hard, getting good jobs, getting a large house and accumulating wealth, are not completely stable and can be shaken to the core - even some of the most secure jobs are now under threat. Society can change in an instant and for business owners what was once a secure place of income can suddenly change: for instance some in the hospitality industry have had to face massive changes with people now working from home – many of whom may continue to do so long-term. We have learnt that we cannot put our security in material possessions which are so subject to change. Psalm 46 (verses 1-2) in the Bible reminds us where we can put our hope: 'God is a very present help in times of trouble, therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake'. Jesus speaks about having good foundations for our life – trusting in God – and that there will be troubles but that He will be with us in them.

Secondly, I think we have been learning the importance of looking out for each other and

making sacrifices for each other. Many people have made sacrifices at this time e.g. not doing things we would like to do (visiting places & people) and continuing to serve in different ways (key workers). We have recognised and been reminded that if we just carry on as individuals or just look after our own interests then we all suffer e.g. if the poorest in our communities are not adequately cared for (through poor accommodation or having to go into work when they shouldn't) then they are more susceptible to this virus which then has an impact on us all – our community is interlocked. We have learnt the importance of not being a 'me first' society in our church and community. In the Bible in Paul's first letter to the Corinthian church (12:26) he writes on the subject of community: 'If one part of the body suffers, all the other parts suffer with it'. Let's express our hope in God in how we love each other.

Thirdly, I think we have been learning to value people more. We have missed our contact with people and value them more as a result. I wonder if we can reflect this in how we treat people in future, in being more kind and tolerant. Society can be very harsh at times – just look at how people can be crippled mentally and emotionally through posts via social media. In the Bible (Colossians 3:13) it says, 'Be tolerant with one another and forgive one another... just as the Lord has forgiven you'. These are the principles our faith is based on and give us hope in the midst of change, as we learn to value one another.

As we seek to have a genuinely hopeful future, can I encourage us to keep learning about where we place our hope, what we place our hope on and who we place our hope in, as we seek to trust in God, love our neighbour and value each other. If you would like to find out more do join us in our services – our Explore services in particular give opportunity to ask questions and learn about faith.

Yours
Tim



Christian Aid Week

10th—16th May 2021



In the past year we have become painfully aware of the influence of faraway places such as Wuhan, China on our everyday lives. People here and all over the world are experiencing anxiety about health and loss of income, education, freedom of movement and contact with others. These have long been daily concerns for millions of people in poor countries, now made worse by the pandemic. The charity Christian Aid supports disaster relief and long term development in low income countries. They also support global action against climate change, since climate change disproportionately affects poor people. Christian Aid funds local partner organisations in low income countries to help needy people of any religion or none. **In the Covid19 pandemic they are providing hygiene supplies and PPE for health-workers.** Christians give to Christian Aid because it is one way in which we can love other people, which we believe God wants. Christian Aid welcomes donations any time, but we highlight their work during Christian Aid Week from 10th to 16th May. Covid19 rules will prevent any door to door collection of envelopes this year, but please continue to give generously. You can give on line at www.christianaid.org.uk, or by phone 0207 523 2269, or cheque to Christian Aid, 35 Lower Marsh, London SE17RL, or from 10th to 16th May only you can give cash, in the envelope provided, at Stanwood or Stannington Post offices.

Both photos: Adam Finch, Christian Aid

Sponsored Walk

This year has been difficult for all of us, but for some people life is always difficult. Which is why I have supported the work of Christian Aid for the last 35 years or so. This year I am taking on the 300,000 Steps Challenge to raise funds for Christian Aid. I intend to do this by walking 10,000 steps in and around Stannington on 30 days during April and May.

You can support me in this by making a donation on this webpage

https://www.give.net/Christchurch_christianaid

I am also looking for volunteers to walk with me for the day on each of the 30 days. If you can do this, then please get in touch with me via the church office: info@christchurchstannington.co.uk. You would need sturdy footwear and I would ask that you ask friends and family to sponsor you too by donating on the givenet page mentioned above.

So look out for me and give me a cheer as I walk by, and I look forward to walking with you!

Sue Spencer

Holy Week and Easter at Christ Church

- 28 March 10.30 **Palm Sunday:** Holy Communion video via website
- 31 March 19.30 Evening Prayer: Zoom link via network groups
- 1 April 19.30 **Maundy Thursday:** Holy Communion video via website
- 2 April 14.00 **Good Friday:** Meditation. Zoom link via network groups
- 4 April 06.00 **Easter Day Dawn Service**, outdoor, non-eucharist. Contact Church Warden to book a place (07768 293 406)
- 4 April 10.30 **Easter Day** Holy Communion video via website



Stannington Library Update

A donation of £362 from Christ Church really gave Stannington Library volunteers cause to smile at the end of February, and they send thanks to all who contributed. They tell us it came as a welcome boost, in a year that has been as frustrating for the library as for everyone else - especially when it became necessary to suspend the 'Order+Collect' service in January.

Volunteers have spent the time since then making the library a secure environment for people to visit, once the building can finally be opened again for users to come in and browse.

"We're advising all our library users to watch local noticeboards, including those outside the library itself, for details of what services are available and when," said Dot Russell. "Full details will also be posted on the library website – stanningtonlibrary.com – and on Facebook."

The 'Order+Collect' service has now resumed, with browsing inside the library likely to begin again at some point in April, though it is inevitable that numbers of people allowed inside the library at one time will be restricted for some time to come.



Library Manager
Dot Russell

PARISH REGISTERS

Burial of Ashes

We offer sympathy to the family and friends of:

29th January	Heather Balaiss
19th March	Marion Gaines

Lent at Christ Church

By Alison Cook



Lent is a positive time of year. The term comes from two old English words meaning spring and lengthen. We use it in the church to mean a period of time when we can look forward to Easter by deepening our relationship with Jesus. And in order to have the time to do this sometimes we need to stop doing some things so we have time for others.

One of the positive things about Lockdown is that it has given us the time to focus our attention on the environment, initially we looked at our local spaces especially the church yard. We have just been awarded our bronze Eco church award.

For Lent we wanted to think globally. Looking after the environment includes looking after the people. Many people across the world do not have access to clean water or toilets. Twinning our toilets means we can raise money to send someone to places where there are no toilets. They will teach people how to build toilets and save lives that would otherwise be lost to infections such as diarrhoea, an illness which is life threatening in hot countries with poor hygiene. You can find out more about toilet twinning here <https://www.toilettwinning.org>

Some of the children at Christ Church have already got involved with fund raising. They had a great activity suggested to them to make a money box out of a toilet roll and see if they could fill it over Lent with cash. One child has already raised £100 for the toilets by making and delivering cakes to members of the congregation, another child is also doing the same, she is taking orders via Facebook. It is amazing what three year olds can get up to these days! If you would like to donate then there is a link to our Give.net page here. [https://www.give.net/Christchurch toilet twin](https://www.give.net/Christchurch_toilet_twin)



If you would like to know more about this or get in involved, then do visit our website <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/17506/page/67192/view/where> we will post more about our environmental and rewilding projects.

Or you might like to watch some of our Lent activity videos on our YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8SKAo2Ta2FzWfwE9RIPgog> where we will be studying stories in the Bible about toilets.

There is nothing dull about Lent in Christ Church. 😊



Nook Lane children bring a smile

Isabel Wodrow explains a Christmas letter-writing project and more....

During the pandemic older people may have felt that they have been forgotten. In the first lockdown, those living independently were asked to stay at home and visits to care homes were stopped.

The Sheffield Age UK website gave details of a project to gift a smile to an older person. This involved children writing letters or creating cards to be given to older people.

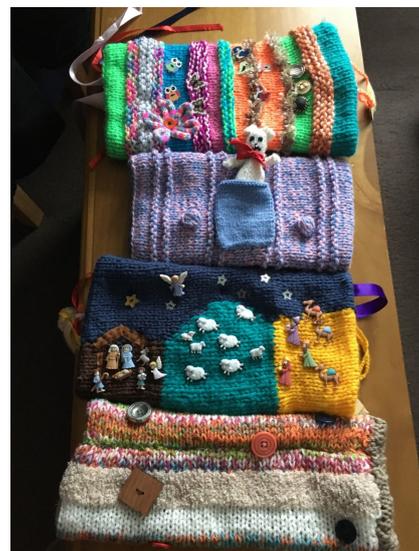
I thought this was something that the Christ Church family could do for older people in Stannington. Local children made cards with smiley faces, rainbows and words of encouragement and hope. These were sent to residents at The White House at Rivelin, Manor House on Stannington Road, and to older people who live in their own homes. These were well received with one recipient saying what a smile it brought to her face to receive a card.

Katie Parkin, one of the teachers at Nook Lane Junior School, contacted me to say that the children in Year 3 would be able to write letters to be given to older people. These were given to residents at Manor House and to older people living at home. Many replied, and five exchanges are reprinted in the next few pages, with permission.

The children then made Christmas cards for residents of The White House and Manor House and for older people who live in their own homes.

Twiddle-muffs were knitted by Christ Church members and these were taken to The White House for residents with dementia and these were much appreciated.

Since we have again been in lockdown, the next project has been for cards and small gifts for Valentine's Day. And now Easter is approaching.....



Poppy
& Alex



Emma
& Pat



Emmalee
& Eileen



Gabriel
& Jean



Katie
& Rita



Dear Friend

My name is Poppy. I like to play football with my team. My team is called Sheffield City FC.

I like to play roblox with my friend. She is called Scarlett.

Did you like to play football?

I like to go on tiktok. Tiktok is an app where you can do lots of videos and you can make an account. Have you used tiktok before?

I like school because the dinners are really good. My favourite subjects are maths, PE and Art. What were your favourite subjects when you were at school?

My teacher is Mrs Parkin. She is silly and funny but when it gets to learning she wants you to get on.

I like school because I get to see my friends Scarlett, Fern, Eva and Grace.

I hope you enjoyed reading my letter. It would be lovely if you can write back.

Love from Poppy.

Hi Poppy

Thank you for your letter, it was a lovely surprise!

It is a very long time since I went to school. I didn't play football but played a lot of hockey and really enjoyed it.

I am pleased you have nice friends. You are lucky to have good friends and good dinners at school. Also good teachers.

I have never heard of tiktok but I always enjoyed Maths, Art and PE.

I played a lot of hockey in my senior years, also PE, and loved Art class. We took sandwiches for lunch. I will have to ask my granddaughter how to play tiktok.

It's been lovely to get your letter and I hope you do very well with your education!

With best wishes, Alex.

Dear Resident

My name is Emma. I am 7 years old.

I like to see my family. I also like to sing and dance. I enjoy roller-skating and I sometimes go to the rink. I like playing with Lego with my friend Hatty and I love teddies because they are so cute.

My favourite subject at school is English because I like to write. I also like Spanish now. I can say all the numbers up to 12. What was your favourite subject when you were at school? My teacher is very lovely and kind.

I hope you enjoyed this letter and you are okay during lockdown.

Merry Christmas

Love from Emma.

Dear Emma

I had a lovely surprise when I found your letter. It was good to read about all the things you enjoy. I did visit your school a few times and the work was excellent.

My favourite subject at school was Art but I did enjoy English and French too. I was quite good at Sports when I was your age but now I just like gardening. When I'm digging outside a little robin, like the one on this card, comes very close to see what he can find to eat.

We have a squirrel that comes every day and takes most of the peanuts put out for the birds.

I hope you and your family stay safe and well and you all have a lovely Christmas.

Best wishes to you all, from

Pat Mirreh.

Dear Friend

My name is Emmalee. I am 7, nearly 8.

I like playing Roblox but first I need to do my homework. My mum showed me how to make gingerbread men and they were yummy. What is your favourite food? What do you like for Christmas? I would like Santa to bring me a teddy cat.

I hope this letter makes you happy.

I like playing with my teddy cat. She is so cute.

What do you like to do? Are you ok?

My favourite subject is Art and Science. Last half-term, we learnt about Ancient Egypt. We dressed up as Egyptians too.

Hope you enjoyed my letter.

Merry Christmas from Emmalee.

Hello Emmalee

It was nice to get a letter from you. You are a good writer.

You said you had a teddy cat. I haven't heard of that. I thought you meant a real cat, or is it a toy? I like ginger cats.

You asked what my favourite food is, well I think it's cake. I like to do jigsaws and go for walks. I love seeing all the Christmas lights and trees in people's gardens.

You said what would I like for Christmas. Well, I don't really want anything, just to see my family is enough but I'll probably get some gifts from them.

Learning about Ancient Egypt is very interesting. I saw a real Egyptian mummy once in the museum.

Thank you for your letter and have a very merry Christmas

From Eileen.

Dear Resident

My name is Gabriel and I am 7 years old.

I like to play Minecraft but I do like to climb trees. Once I climbed to the top. What did you do when you were 7?

I go to Beavers and we play games.

I like school because I love to learn English because I love to write. Do you like writing stories?

I hope you have a good life.

I hope you enjoyed reading my letter. It would be lovely if you could write back.

From Gabriel.

Dear Gabriel

Thank you so much for your lovely letter. I was so pleased to receive it and it made me very happy. I think your writing and spelling are very good – much better than mine when I was your age.

My name is Mrs Jean Seymour and I am very old now, and live on my own. When I can go out I like to visit my friends and I play bowls in the summer and card games in the winter with them. Now I have to stay in. I read books and newspapers and do puzzles. I used to like writing stories but now I prefer to read them.

When I was 7, I lived in a cottage in the country with my Mum, dad and baby sister. I used to like going for walks because there were lots of baby rabbits running about everywhere. I also enjoyed school and loved reading and doing sums and I played games and belonged to the Brownies.

I hope you have a lovely time at Christmas and enjoy the holiday. Will you be climbing some more trees? If you felt like writing to me again to tell me about it, I would enjoy that very much.

Best wishes from Mrs Jean Seymour.

Dear Friend

My name is Katie and I love my family.

I'm from Nook Lane Junior School.

I am seven years old and I have one little brother called Ethan. He is three years old.

I live with my mum dad and my brother.

I love to play roblox because adoped me is my favourite on roblox.

I enjoy playing with my brother too. Do you have a brother or sister?

What did you do when you were younger? What school did you go to?

I like school. My three favourite things are Art, Maths and Computing. Art is my most favourite because we did our own printing block.

When it was my first time at school, I was quite nervous at the time.

I hope you have enjoyed reading my letter. It would be lovely if you could write back.

Love from Katie.

Hello Katie

Thank you for your letter. My name is Rita and I live in Reynard Lane. I went to Springfield School and I loved school. My best subject was Maths, which we called Arithmetic. I left school at 14 and went to work.

Yes, I did have a brother but he is not with us any more.

I was a Sunday School teacher for 25 years. I was a dinner lady at Nook Lane for 20 years. I was Mrs Lomas then.

I hope you have a party at school and I hope Father Christmas comes to you and your little brother.

Thank you once again for your letter. It made a happy day.

Love from Rita (Barden).



THANK YOU from two more people who received cards and letters.

Barbara B writes

"What a lovely surprise it was to have cards and letters from the children. Lockdown for such a long time has meant that any correspondence has been most welcome and it gave me the opportunity to write back to let them know how much it was appreciated.

A big "Thank you" to the children and teachers as they all brightened my days."

Jean G writes

"I was delighted to receive a letter from one of the children at Nook Lane School telling me about herself and her family. I was able to reply telling her a bit about myself and so lucky to be able to send a photo of a view of what was to be the school site way back in 1959! It was included in a shot of our first home in the process of being built at the bottom of Greaves Close, overlooking what was then a farm. I was able to write about the new school, recalling the headteacher Mr Tinsdeall. My son was one of the first pupils and I spent some weeks in the school hall putting "sticky backed plastic" on piles of brand new books."

Viv Willox was interviewed by **Carol Ritson** about her life, her career and her faith.

Where did you grow up?

I was born and lived in Sunderland, Tyne and Wear until I left to do my nursing training at St James Hospital, in Leeds, at 18. Afterwards I studied to be a Midwife and joined the PMRAFNS, the Princess Mary's Royal Air Force Nursing Service, where I worked as a Midwife in the RAF Hospitals. It was at one of these hospitals that I met my husband, who was a Catering Officer. I then did a tour in an RAF Hospital in Germany, before getting married and leaving the RAF. Our married life started by being posted to Cyprus and roughly every two years we moved to different postings in the UK, before ending up in Cambridgeshire for twenty four years. In the 1990s I moved into General Nursing and spent the last ten years of my career as a Practice Nurse before I retired in 2017. We moved to Loxley in June 2019 to be near my son Matt, who lives with his partner Abby, and my gorgeous 19 month old grandson, Otto. Also recently, my daughter, Amy has moved in with us for a short while.

Since May 2020 I've been working as a Clinical Contact Tracer for the Test and Trace programme and I have rejoined the nursing register on a temporary basis during the pandemic so I could help out. I've also expressed an interest in doing vaccinations but so far, have not heard anything back about this.

Are you from a church family?

Yes, we went to church regularly when I was a child. My Dad was a member of the choir and also a server at the altar. I have fond memories of Sunday school outings as a kid and I attended church until I was a teenager. After our son was baptised I started going back to church regularly and was confirmed as an adult a few years later. From then on I think I have just had a steady increase in my faith and relationship with God. I've done two Alpha courses about fifteen years apart which were great at those different stages in my Christian life. I have been lucky to have always found welcoming active churches as we have moved around with the RAF and have been able to experience different styles of worship which has enriched my Christian life and taught me that there are many ways we can worship God.

When we first moved to Loxley I felt that God was directing me to Christ Church. I do feel at home there and people are very friendly and welcoming. Unfortunately due to the pandemic I've not been able to get to know as many people as I would have liked but I'm sure that will change when we can worship together again.

What different organisations and activities within Stannington and elsewhere are you involved in?



Homelessness is something I feel strongly about and having been involved in helping them previously, in both Cambridge and Peterborough, I volunteered to go out into the city centre with the St Polycarp's team to provide soup and sandwiches for the homeless. Unfortunately, we have not been able to do this since March 2020 because of the pandemic.

Until having a knee problem recently, and been advised by my GP to stop, I have always enjoyed running and joined the ladies running group 'Strideout'. I enjoy cycling although it has taken a while to get used to the hills after living in the flat countryside in Cambridgeshire and we've had to invest in e-bikes. I also love getting out and walking on the trails and hills around here. I feel so lucky to live in this part of the country.

At Christ Church I was going to a house group, and I am looking forward to when we can meet up again. I also took over as the Christ Church representative, at the Stannington Foodbank when Joe left. It was a great honour to be asked as I am a new-comer to the Church family. I really enjoy helping there and it is wonderful to see faith in action and to witness God answering our prayers and providing food for us to distribute to those in need. Because of my work with the Foodbank, Tim asked me if I would join the P.C.C.. I've never done this before so I was a bit apprehensive about it but I am looking forward to serving God and doing what I can to help in the running of our Church.

What does your faith mean to you?

My faith gives me comfort and strength to face each day, knowing that God is with me, especially in the present situation. I remember when my Mum died, I was only 34 years old and had two small children. I really felt that I was able to cope with the grief and loss because of my faith. I knew so many people were praying for me and I could feel the love and strength. It is such a comfort to know that no matter what, I can put my trust in God and He will always be with me!

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This is the Way by Carolyn Gibbs



Is your life nice and ordered, with everything just as it should be?

Or is it usually a question of coping, just about holding together?

Can you see clearly ahead – where you are going in life and how to get there?



Wherever your life was a year ago, maybe the way ahead has become considerably more difficult.

New obstacles to get round.

Unexpected mountains to climb.

Sticky places where you are afraid of losing your footing.



Maybe your usual way is suddenly no longer an option.



Everything inside you seems to be dried up.



This is the Way, continued

Or some parts of your life have completely collapsed under the strains of the pandemic .
What has God to say to you to help you to keep going?



Be encouraged by the familiar words of Psalm 23: “He gives me new strength. He guides me in the right paths, as he has promised.”



“Even if I go through the deepest darkness, I will not be afraid, LORD, for you are with me.”

Keep searching and listening for his voice.

Will it come in a blinding flash from heaven? Probably not. God uses his people to bring his messages – maybe through an email, a text message or a chance meeting outside the shops. He can speak through the words of a song on the radio, or in an online service.

Are there other props which have filled the emptiness of lockdown which are crowding him out? Alcohol? Social Media? Maybe some of these need to be set aside to clear the way.



Create some space; listen to different music; search for Facebook groups with spiritual content; as our Good Shepherd, he will feed you.

It's when we eventually admit to ourselves that our own answers aren't working, that God allows the stillness of his presence to fill the empty space.

In Isaiah Chapter 30, verses 20-21, we can read: “The Lord will make you go through hard times, but he himself will be there to teach you, and you will not have to search for him any more. If you wander off the road to the right or the left, you will hear his voice behind you saying, “Here is the road. Follow it.”



Violet Sherratt

June 1926 – March 2021

Violet Hartley Sherratt was born on the 17th June, 1926 at Cow Gap Farm, Hill Top, the only child of Charles (Charlie) and Frances Lee.

The family moved to Fox House Farm on Uppergate Road when Violet was six and this was to be her childhood home and became her married home when she married Jim in 1953. There was always a constant stream of visitors and the door was always open to have a chat and a cup of tea.

Violet had a strong faith and was a member of Christ Church for many years. She was Churchwarden for several years, a valued member of the Sunday School team and generations of children passed through her pastoral care and teaching. She was in charge of putting together the flowers to give out on Mothering Sunday, ordering the oranges etc for Christingle, getting the donkey for Christmas Live, making the mulled wine, a member of the church cleaning teams and the list goes on!

Her food displays were legendary and she was the 'Queen' of catering, especially where church events were concerned – vicars coming and going, a vicar's wedding, Stannington Carnival, funeral teas, etc and everything was done only one way – Violet's way!

We cannot underestimate Violet's standing in the community. She was well known to the 'older' generation of the village and for her straight talking, but she also loved to see the children and grandchildren of friends and neighbours and it was lovely to see that smile when you would take your grandchildren to visit Auntie Violet.

The last few years had not been kind to her, losing her mobility but certainly not her mental awareness as she was still as sharp as a pin.

There was and still is only 'one' Violet who was respected and loved by those who were privileged to know her

We extend our sympathy to Nigel and the family at this time.



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