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SOME THOUGHTS FROM REV. ANGELA FROM BOOTLE RECTORY

As we come into harvest time and celebrate God's blessing, I often think of one assembly when I was at Secondary School. All the usual things were there such as cabbages, marrows, potatoes and apples, but there in the centre of it all was a single glass of water. How many other pupils saw it and wondered why it was there I do not know, but I certainly did. That was until one of the teachers used it in his talk. The story he told was of a village where one year there was very little harvest because the crops had been washed away by rain. The rain had been so bad very little could grow and all that they could be thankful for was water. Why I remember this was not because of the story, but the visual impact of the single glass of water, which has stayed with me since for the rest of my life.

Of course, there have been many other harvests that I can call to mind, such as when Coventry Cathedral celebrated the car industry which gave wealth and prosperity to the city. Then there were the times of taking boxes of food around to the elderly who in fact did not need our gifts, but it was the unemployed younger families who needed them more. This was especially so when there were four million people unemployed. Then there was the changing of gifts brought to the church, from carrots and apples to soap, razor blades, and chocolate. These went to the hostel for the homeless who needed those things far more than the traditional goods.

I believe we can all remember when harvest and the celebration of the harvest was placed as a far more important event than it is now. This may be partly so in cities, where there is a greater disassociation with the food one eats and how it is produced. However, I'm sure there are countries where it is still very important. One year I went to South Korea to visit my son and he told me that he had a few days holiday because it was a national holiday in thanksgiving for the harvest.

So much more is available to us all the year round now. For instance, strawberries are no longer seasonal, grapes are not just given to us when we are sick and eggs are bought by the dozen and not just by the one or two. (That was of course due to the slow progress out of rationing.) We have so much in abundance, and even here, where we live, we can all of us forget that the food is still grown by someone. It is still back breaking work for someone somewhere and crops are still dependent on the weather. The question is still asked of "how good the yield will be this year" and this is from potatoes to plums.

How much will alter through climate change we have yet to discover. As we all know, climate change is not just a possibility, but it is with us now.

We have all seen the disasters that have overtaken many places around the world. We will have to act quickly as there is no second chance.

Then of course, for the past eighteen months, we have all had to cope with the covid crisis that has impacted on us globally, not just in our community or country. That too has been a harvest of sorts as it has impacted on the economy, our children's schooling, the way we live our lives, and the isolation and fear that we have all experienced.

Like the glass of water, there have been many visual impacts that we can bring to mind this year. These we can bring to our harvest. Along with our gifts of apples, marrow and potatoes and anything else we may bring, we can also bring ourselves. Let us bring what we have been through, both painful or pleasant. The things that we are concerned about such as climate change. Our community, it's health and economic security. The church and our way forward into the future and our mission to God's people.

As many of you know, before coming to Black Combe I was a chaplain doing Industrial Mission. I was visiting work places that are part of the everyday economy of life. That too is a harvest and so are we. All that we are is part of the kingdom of heaven that we can lay before God our maker and creator. I pray that our harvest may be rich, fruitful and above all hopeful in faith and in God. A way that passes all understanding, a way of peace.

God bless, Angela

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

Occasional Offices conducted between the 13th June and the 11th August

BECKERMET

21 st July	Funeral	Dorothy Elliott
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GOSFORTH, NETHER WASDALE and WASDALE HEAD

23 rd June	Wedding at Wasdale Head	Gina Golding Colin Mitchell
26 th June	Burial of Ashes at Wasdale Head	Reginald Byers
3 rd July	Wedding at Nether Wasdale	Lucy McKinley Christopher Wilson
12 th July	Burial at Gosforth	Dorothy Thornley
31 st July	Wedding at Gosforth	Rebecca Hocking James Hilton
7 th Aug	Wedding at Wasdale Head	Rebecca Hayward Jake Dewberry
8 th Aug	Baptism at Gosforth	Georgie Denwood

FROM THE EDITOR

As you may have noticed from the front cover of this copy of the Parish Magazine, the churches of Calderbridge and Beckermest have joined with us and so details of their activities will also feature in the magazine from now on. We are all part of the Seatallan Benefice and share much of what is already in the magazine and so welcome them and hope that it will help us to work more closely together in the future.

Can I remind everyone that we need to know what's happening in our villages as well as in our churches, so do please keep me informed about future events and also about things that have taken place, including photos. We try to have a monthly book review and poem, so do please keep sending these in and we also welcome photos for the front cover – it helps if everything can be sent electronically to my email address by the 15th of the preceding month.

Also, please note that as from September all our Sunday church services are either at 9.30 am or 11.00 am to allow Philip to take two services on Sunday mornings, so we see him rather more often – at the moment he has 17 churches to cover!

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CHILDREN'S SOCIETY BOXES

If you have a Children's Society collection box, could you return it to Miriam Palmer before the end of September please, so she can pay in the money. These can be brought to church if possible or Miriam will collect them from you if you contact her on 24682. Miriam is winding up the box collection scheme because of banking difficulties, so in future could you please make donations directly to the Children's Society or through St Mary's Christingle collection.

ST OLAF'S HARVEST FESTIVAL ***Sunday 26th September - 11.00 am***

followed by

HARVEST LUNCH at the WASDALE HEAD INN at 12.45pm
Tickets for lunch £10 available from: Andrew & Heather
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NEWS FROM CALDERBRIDGE

Ponsonby Church Service:

September 12th 9.30am taken by Rev. Philip Dorling
Please note new time of services.

The Old Church

September 19th 3pm Evening prayer (BCP)
Taken by David Rudd (reader)

Sarah Millard

BECKERMET NEWS

Community Led Plan

A meeting of a group of Beckermets residents, wanting to make sure that the community is protected from unwanted change and to make the village a better place to live in, resulted in a questionnaire being sent out to all residents in the village. As a result, a Community Led Plan was published in 2020.

Using the Reading Rooms as a community centre, the Community Led Plan Committee and Beckermets Village Association organised several events in August: Coffee Mornings (drop in for anyone to meet up), Quiz and Musical events, Yoga classes and a Village Show, with similar events planned for September.

Other news:

The White Mare remains closed but the Royal Oak has re-opened and hopes to have a village shop opening soon.

The Parish Council has installed a second defibrillator in the centre of Beckermets, which can be used by the public in an emergency.

Kathleen Cook - 841363



SOUTH CALDER MISSION COMMUNITY PRAYERS



Mission Community prayers have continued on Zoom during the summer on Thursday mornings at 9.30 am. During September we will continue to meet on Zoom except for Thursday 2nd September when we will meet at Seascale Methodist Church at 9.30 am to pray together, but you will also be able to join us on Zoom if you would prefer to do so.



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HARVEST FESTIVAL - 11am Sunday 26th September

HARVEST FESTIVAL COMMUNION SERVICE 11am - This year we will be thanking God for the farming community at Wasdale Head and for all that they produce. We will also be celebrating the return of visitors and having the Inn and Barn Door Shop, the holiday cottages and the campsites busy again. Accordingly, we are aiming to have St Olaf's decorated appropriately for this year's festival, to reflect farming and life at Wasdale Head. The Rector, Philip Dorling, will be leading the service, please come if you can!

HARVEST LUNCH AT THE INN - The service will be followed by a Harvest Lunch at the Wasdale Head Inn at 12.45pm. Lamb pie and apple crumble are on the menu, and a vegetarian option will be available. Tickets for the lunch are £10 each and are available from Andrew & Heather Lopez (please phone 019467 26244) or me (019467 25725). Early application will help, we're limited to 35.

NEW HYMN BOOKS – All St Olaf's new Mission Praise Hymn Books have been donated or sponsored, so a big thank you to all who have contributed. If anyone would like to sponsor or donate the Mission Praise Music Edition – 2 Volume Set, it would be brilliant. This costs £32.99. This Music Edition is used for anyone accompanying services on the organ or other instruments.

OUR ORGANIST – is not available for every service so we have a music system. However, if you are a pianist and would like to play our organ, please get in touch with me. This beautiful little chamber organ has no pedals, so it is a natural for pianists! Please get in touch with me, contact details below.

VISITORS – Visitor numbers at St Olaf's seem to have returned to 2019 levels. With relatively few from abroad at present, this is encouraging.

SERVICES in September, both at 11am:

Sunday 12th - Morning Praise; Sunday 26th - Harvest Festival. Our services last around 45 minutes.

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GOSFORTH PARISH CHURCH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

At our July meeting we discussed our concerns about the process of nominating foundation governors for Gosforth School and decided to be ready to raise this at the next APCM. The future of zoom services was discussed and it was decided that at present there wouldn't be services exclusively on zoom, but that they may resume for some Sundays in the winter months if there was a need. However, we would continue to zoom services held in St Mary's so that people could join them from home and monitor the uptake to decide if this will continue on a permanent basis.

The financial position has not improved to the extent we had hoped for, with a deficit of £500 over the period May and June, but were pleased to note we are still on track to pay our parish pledge for 2021 in full. We reviewed the budget and forecast for the rest of the year and agreed to aim to stay on track. The gas company have made an error in their charges since 2018 and have asked us to pay the extra, we feel they should take responsibility for their error and are in negotiation with them.

Much of the equipment used to zoom services out of St Mary's is borrowed. We agreed to set up a sub group to look at all the modern technology needs and report back with a view to making purchases when money is available.

Fund Raising – Once again the main event will be a Christmas Fair in the Public Hall on Saturday 28th November, please make a note of this date. A group will meet after a Sunday service in September to consider what changes to the format will be needed in the light of available helpers and events since the last one. Discussions are on going over the possible formation of a 100 Club to give a small but regular increase in income, a money raiser from Christmas Lights, a coffee morning and an open gardens weekend. We would welcome any offers for people to take part in sponsored events such as runs or walks (maybe the Gosforth 10 or Fun Run) and raise sponsorship money for Gosforth Church, or specifically for the maintenance of the churchyard.

It was felt that another forum meeting to consider a summary paper on our earlier discussions and decide on a way forward was needed. This will be on a date in September still to be decided.

We checked up on the requirements of the last quinquennial report and have now done all the more urgent items. It was noted that we need to make people aware that there are rules from the Church of

England on what can and cannot be done in a churchyard. We discussed another change in service times and agreed that we had no option but to fall in with the pattern in the Mission Community and that this meant that the main service on Sundays would be at 11am with a request that the service was never more than an hour long.

There will be a report on the forum meeting in the October magazine. The next regular management meeting to monitor the situation will be on Tuesday 12th October and the report will be in the November magazine. If you have anything you wish us to consider please 'phone 01946 725 300.

Ruth Schofield (Clerk to the Committee)



TOILETRIES for the emergency bags at West Cumberland Hospital



These have been in high demand as a result of limited visiting because of covid regulations. Particularly needed are combs, face cloths, toothbrushes and toothpaste for adults, but also those specifically for young children. We also normally take "travel size" bars of soap, (but not those marked with the names of hotels and airlines) but at present there is not such an urgent need for these. The collecting box will be at the back of church from the beginning of September and items can also be given directly to Ruth Schofield.

SAINT FOR SEPTEMBER

Lancelot Andrew's is a name that may not be familiar today, but the Church of England regards him as sufficiently important to remember him on the 25th of September, the date of his death in 1626. Common Worship describes him as 'Bishop of Winchester and Spiritual writer' but this does not give him justice. He was a dedicated and hard-working don at Cambridge and he was in turn Bishop of Chichester and Ely before going to Winchester. He was a noted preacher who impressed both Elizabeth I and James the VI and Ist. He wrote a book of private prayers which was widely used in the past, so please remember this saintly person, even if you have never heard of him before.





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BOOK OF THE MONTH

An Affinity of Place

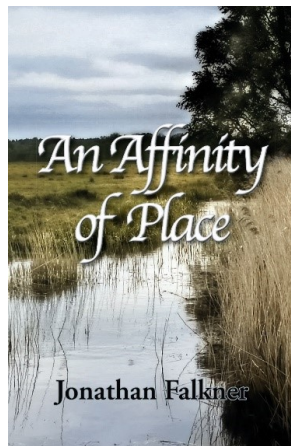
Just published – a novel by Jonathan Falkner, set on the Norfolk Broads.

An affinity with an exceptional place...

For the last ten years Lorna had lived with her father in a small cottage out on the marshes. Now Henry Banningham had died, and Lorna was alone. Would she find companionship? Might she find love?

Meanwhile, the life of this special place – its birds, insects and flowers, its reedbeds, its flowing waters – ministered to her in her solitude.

The village church, the pub, sailing on the Norfolk Broads, local people and incomers, provide the wider setting for a story whose focus always returns to this unique environment at the heart of the Broads.



Jonathan writes:

From 1990 to 1999 my family and I lived in north Suffolk, on the edge of the Norfolk Broads. We enjoyed sailing on the Broads, and visiting the many nature reserves of the area. In particular, I paid regular visits to the Ludham and Potter Heigham Marshes National Nature Reserve, and made notes of my observations through the seasons. I realised that better naturalists than I am would be keeping a scientific record of this reserve; then it occurred to me that another way to pay tribute to this unique environment would be to make it the setting for a story. This would also allow me to describe other parts of Broadland and to draw upon the pleasures of sailing on these beautiful waters. There is even a short visit to the Lake District! After retirement I dug out all my notes and began to plan this story, and the lockdowns of the last two years have given me time to finish it.

The paperback version is on sale now at Spindlecraft, Drigg, price £8.99, and will be available in a week or two from bitternbooks.co.uk
An e-book version is available from amazon.co.uk, price £1.99.



SEPTEMBER 2021

A big thank you to all who donated to the open day at Deb Lee's when £650 was raised for the Summer of Hope Appeal for the work of the Mothers' Union in supporting family life in 84 countries world wide. In addition, over £400 worth of Tradecraft goods were sold.

In September and October members in the Carlisle Diocese are asked to walk, cycle or use a wheelchair getting sponsorship in aid of the Bishop's Harvest Appeal for the work of MU in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The aim is that the total number of miles covered will equal the distance from Carlisle to the DRC. You may like to think how many miles you can contribute or alternatively who you can sponsor. The money raised will be collected at the end of October.

Meetings to the end of this year: On Wednesday 15th September the 4 branches of the Deanery will join together for a special service at 7pm at St James' Whitehaven to remember all who have been badly affected by covid and mark the restart of branch meetings. The preacher will be the Reverend Lucie Lunn the Chaplain of Carlisle Diocese MU. Members intending to go please let Ruth know on 25300 by the 8th September to let Whitehaven know the numbers to expect and to make the most efficient use of transport.

The October meeting will be on Monday 18th October when there will be a talk followed by a members' discussion on the future direction of our part of the MU. 2022 is the start of a new triennial and this means elections for officers at all levels. Please note the date and try to attend as we wish to hear your views on the times we meet and the main focus for the branch, as well as discussions in preparation for the AGM. The time, venue and speaker are still to be confirmed.

The November Meeting is booked for Monday 22nd November in Seascale when Phoenix Praise will lead the usual social evening. The time and venue are still to be confirmed. As usual there won't be a meeting in December.

MU Diaries, Christmas Cards, Calendars etc. Orders will be placed with MU at the end of September. Once again, we cannot use the usual system for ordering, so Ruth will contact all members personally. Those who have internet access can view the catalogue at www.mueshop.org. Ruth is willing to co-ordinate the orders and get free postage but if you wish to place your own order, please ensure you find the section on your Diocese and choose Carlisle so that our county MU gets a small % of what you spend.

PRAYER TOPICS FOR SEPTEMBER

- The MU members and associates in Zone A - Korea (2,700); Myanmar (8,950); India (1,900,000); Sri Lanka (3,200) and Thailand (519) that they may enjoy Christian Fellowship within the Mothers' Union.
- MU members across the world who work with families and communities to overcome situations which cause insecurity. May they be enabled to promote conditions which lead both to peace of mind and secure livelihoods.
- Those who have to give up independent living or a well-loved home because of a change in health or circumstances, may they still retain their dignity and a sense of purpose as they adapt to a new way of living.
- Those starting at school, college or university this month as they prepare for the next stage of their life and particularly those beginning their school life at Gosforth C of E Primary School.
- All those whose education has been interrupted because of conflict, covid or other adverse circumstances. Also, for women and girls across the world but particularly at this time those in Afghanistan, who are denied access to avenues of learning.

WASDALE HEAD SHOW – news from the Committee

Following a committee meeting this week, where we considered all eventualities, it is with regret that due to the continued uncertainty surrounding the current situation that we are announcing the cancellation of the 2021 Wasdale Head Show.

However.....We are all in agreement that after an appalling 18 months, our farming community need something to look forward to, and with this in mind we will be going back to our roots this year. On Saturday 9th October, we will be holding the Wasdale Head Shepherd's Meet. Starting at 10am, there will be 15 Herdwick sheep classes, with entries from our local farmers.

Although this is not what our beloved show has developed into, and we don't expect the large attendance that we usually get, we will welcome members of the public who want to come and watch the judging of the classes. There will be a catering stand for those people to purchase from on the day.

GOSFORTH METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Minister: Revd. Paul Saunders

Deacon: Dcn. Kina Saunders

Tel: 01900 823273



Dear friends,

During the summer we held a Church Council at the Chapel here in Gosforth to discuss how we saw our future. We realized that the building was becoming difficult for our small congregation to maintain and, with regret, we took the decision not to reopen, but to move towards selling the building. However, this does not mean the end of a Methodist presence in the village. With the encouragement of Rev. Philip Dorling we are looking to continue worshipping together in two ways:

Beginning on 12th September, on the 2nd & 4th Sundays our worship will form part of the Zoom congregation which Phoenix Praise have been running so successfully for the last year and a half, a ministry which we have shared in and enjoyed, and which we wish to encourage and support. **Beginning on 19th September** we will meet in St Mary's Room on the 1st and 3rd Sundays each month for worship.

This is the beginning of a new journey for us, and we look forward in the coming months to exploring how we can work with our friends at St Mary's in new and exciting ways, and we ask for your prayers as we journey.

Paul and Kina Saunders
Ministers, Western Fells Methodist Circuit

Gosforth Methodist Chapel

A hundred and fifty years ago plans for the building of a chapel at Gosforth were approved. In September 1872 the plot at Beckside was bought for £36 by four local preachers who had a particular interest in the Gosforth Society of Wesleyan Methodists, who had been meeting in each other's homes at least since 1839 (the first recorded date.)

Donations for the building of the chapel came in quickly and the opening service was held on 27th December 1874.

Although we are closing our Chapel with great sadness, we are embracing the opportunities of uniting in worship with St Mary's Church here in Gosforth.

Mary Moody

On the evening of Friday 6th March, 2020, I attended the World Day of Prayer service here in Gosforth Chapel. Little did I know that it would be the very last service I would ever attend there. Within weeks of that service the world as we knew it was turned on its head and things would change dramatically, some forever.

It soon became almost normal to attend virtual church services, organized by Jill and Keith Hudson. As the world slowly started to return to 'normal' and chapels and churches reopened, it became apparent that Gosforth Chapel was not sustainable. A meeting was called, prior to which there must have been much praying for guidance. It was decided that we could no longer afford to run the building and the proposal of closing the Chapel was put forward and carried.

Over the past few weeks I along with Lorrie, Mary Snape and Mary Moody have spent many hours sorting and clearing out the cupboards ready for our final exodus. Items have been unearthed from way back and with them many happy memories.

There are many happy times to look back on but there are also exciting times to look forward to for our congregation here in Gosforth. We may not have a building anymore but we are still a church – the church consists of God's people. It is the assembly of believers in Jesus Christ. The physical buildings facilitate the fellowship, worship, and ministry of God's people, but it is not the church.

At the time of writing the plan for our future is still a work in progress, but with God's help and guidance I know we will continue to be a 'church'. Jill and Keith Hudson have laid a foundation stone for our future with all the hard work they put into what I call 'Zoom' church and if our efforts can match theirs, then I'm sure that this new and exciting chapter which we are embarking on in Gosforth will be a happy and successful one, and I'm confident that there is a bright future ahead, and hopefully another few hundred years of Methodist worship in Gosforth. So, this isn't a farewell – it's a we will be back!

Lynn Pattison – a Gosforth Methodist

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POEM OF THE MONTH

A Dead Hare in the Driveway at Over Kellie, 15th October 2015

I got home late that night, so I didn't see
the body, till the headlamps picked it out,
almost unscathed, so it seemed,
in the hover of light, the taxi driver
stepping out to look, as I stooped down
and ran my fingers through the empty pelt.

No marks that I could see, no wounds
to tell how it had died, the driver
stepping out to look, unless he'd thought
to see me to the door,
sensing the blur in my hands, the house key
spilling from my fingers in the dark, the smell
of vodka on my breath.

By morning, the fur had creased
and shriveled, and the outcurve of the eye
was nothing but a smudge
of glaze and pulp, the limbs
extended, still, as if they could recall
the joy of bounding through the summer grass,
still formal, while its substance leached away
and left behind a corpse, abridged, unspooled,
all tenderness surrendered to the rain

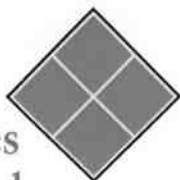
so quietly, it made me want to stop
and let the spell come over me, a brief
rehearsal of the spell shrugged off or pared
away, another body shining through
as skin and bone, perhaps, but with its light
intact, the tawny camber of the soul
protracted, till the chance of something new
seemed possible, if only for an hour.

John Burnside

This poem, from John Burnside's 2017 collection *Still Life with Feeding Snake* (Cape), is one of many where the writer - a Professor in the School of English at St Andrew's University - examines Christian themes through an interrogation of the apparently ordinary, and domestic.



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Programme to Cautiously Restart our U3A Meetings

It is hoped only Members with 2 Covid injections will attend.

Our Covid Precautions:

1. We would like everyone to wear a mask until seated and sanitise their hands.
2. Please give other members space when paying and signing in and when getting refreshments.
3. A QR code is available for Guests and those who wish to use it.
4. Some windows may be open so wear appropriate clothing for the climate/temperature.

1st Sept. (Wed) History & Out and About – 3.30 pm Gosforth Church.

A History stroll around the churchyard and church to hear about the Grade 2. Listed Tool Shed which recycles a memorial stone which was designed using designs from a wonderful 9th century tombstone in Wales. View listed gravestones and of course the famous Viking cross, hogbacks and fishing stone. We will then stroll to Gosforth Hall and hear a little of its history from a member whose family once lived there before enjoying an early light supper together at 5.00 pm.

13th Sept. (Mon) Walking Group – 2.00 pm To be arranged.

16th Sept. Open Mind – 10 am for 10.45 start Gosforth Public Hall.

Nicola Pointer & Luke Johnson from United Utilities – 100km Pipeline Project from Thirlmere to W. Cumbria – one of the biggest construction projects in our history, which includes installing new pipeline, refurbishment of existing pipework, a new water treatment works, pumping station and two new reservoirs. They will deliver a presentation on progress and tell you about what's coming up next.

21st Sept (Tues) Discussion Group

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NEWS FROM GADS – GOSFORTH AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY



At last, we are beginning to get back to some form of normality! At the end of July, we managed to hold our long-delayed AGM in the Kellbank, with over 20 in attendance, including several youngsters. After the not-too-formal formalities we enjoyed sandwiches, chips, and a quiz.

Then during the first week of August, we held our annual summer youth workshop for 23 youngsters. After only 5 days of preparation, they performed “The Rocky Monster Show”, by Malcolm Sircom – a musical lasting just over an hour on stage. It was an amazing show, much enjoyed by an audience of about 65 friends, family and GADS members. Also in August, we auditioned for our Autumn Play “Two” by Jim Cartwright. If we can cast this, rehearsals carry on through September and we will reveal more details about the performances in next month’s parish magazine.

Finally, our Youth Theatre Group starts up again after the summer holidays on Thursday 9 September. There are usually a few places at this time of year, so if you have a young family member (8 to 18) who may like to join, why not encourage them along for a free taster session?

If you would like to be kept up to date, you can follow us on Facebook or join our mailing list via the GADS website – www.gads.org.uk (About GADS | Keep up to date). Or you can email us using secretary@gads.org.uk.

Jim Polmear GADS

GOSFORTH LIBRARY

Whilst Covid levels in Copeland are stubbornly high we have decided to delay any changes to our opening times.

The library will continue to open from 10.00-12.00 on Saturday mornings, until we feel the demand from the public is increasing, or they give us feedback that an increased service would be beneficial.

John Reed



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GOSFORTH BROWNIES



We had a busy summer term meeting socially distanced outside and managed to earn lots more badges including Local History, Time Traveller (we made up a time capsule to be opened in 2071!), and Archaeology. We also finally managed to finish and wear our bluebird costumes - which we had planned to wear last year for the VE 75 celebrations - and put on a short dance show in front of residents at Bradbury House.

Our coffee morning was a massive success and we raised £400, split between ourselves and Hearing Dogs for Deaf People.

Hopefully next term we will be able to meet indoors when the weather is not so good.

We do have a few vacancies starting September, so if your daughter would like to join us, please register your interest on www.girlguiding.org.uk and I'll get in touch with you.

Samantha Milliner (Brownie Leader)

ROTARY OF WEST LAKELAND

A significant proportion of our recent time has been taken up with our Rotating Wheels car show, held on the Old Show Field, Gosforth on Sunday 8th August.

Luckily the weather was reasonable, and we had a good attendance of vehicles, visitors and stalls. This enabled us to make a surplus of approximately £3,000 which will be donated to BEEP DOCTORS, this year's President's nominated charity.

BEEP DOCTORS are a group of doctors who volunteer in their own time to attend accidents and emergencies, normally if the Air Ambulance is unavailable. They were formed some years ago in the Penrith area and are now starting to operate in West Cumbria.

Towards the end of July, our president Rob and other Rotarians joined some of the BEEP volunteers in a round Cumbria cycle ride, which raised a further significant sum for the charity.

In addition to all the work for Rotating Wheels we also had a trek to see the spectacular new viewing platform at Stanley Falls, Eskdale, and a car treasure hunt.

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Services for September

1st Sunday			
5th Sept	Nether Wasdale	HC	9.30
14th after Trinity	Waberthwaite	MP	9.30
GREEN	Bootle	HC	9.30
Proper 18	Seascale	HC @ St Cuthberts	9.30
	Gosforth	All-Age W.	11.00
	Drigg	HC	11.00
	Eskdale Boot	HC	11.00
	Muncaster	MP	11.00
	Whicham	HC	11.00
	Seascale	UES@Methodist Ch	6.30
2nd Sunday			
12th Sept	Ponsonby	HC	9.30
15th after Trinity	Irton	HC	9.30
GREEN	Seascale	MethodistS@MCh	9.30
Proper 19	Gosforth	HC	11.00
	Wasdale Head	MP	11.00
	Drigg	FS	11.00
	Eskdale Boot	MP	11.00
	Corney	HC Harvest	11.00
	Whicham	EP	4.00
	Phoenix	Zoom	7.00
3rd Sunday			
19th Sept	Eskdale Green	MP	9.30
16th after Trinity	Waberthwaite	HC	9.30
GREEN	Seascale	HC @Methodist Ch	9.30
Proper 20	Gosforth	MW	11.00
	Drigg	HC	11.00
	Muncaster	HC	11.00
	Whicham	FS Harvest	11.00
	Whitbeck	FS Harvest	3.00
	Old Church	EP (BCP)	3.00
Archdeacon's service	Nether Wasdale	EP	6.00
	Bootle	EP	6.00
	Gosforth	Methodist EW in St Marys Rm	6.30
4th Sunday			
26th Sept	Beckermest	HC Harvest	9.30
17th after Trinity	Eskdale Green	HC	9.30
GREEN	Seascale	Methodist@MCh	9.30
Proper 21	Gosforth	HC	11.00
	Wasdale Head	HC Harvest	11.00
	Drigg	MP	11.00
	Irton	HC Harvest	11.00
	Bootle	HC Harvest	11.00
	Corney/Waberthwaite	EP	6.00
	Phoenix	Seascale M + Zoom	7.00

SERVICES IN THE SOUTH CALDER MISSION COMMUNITY

SEPTEMBER 2021

As we push on into the Harvest Season the churches of the South Calder Mission Community area continue to open their doors week by week in a pattern of worship that is returning cautiously towards something like normality. In most places, the sound of Sunday congregational singing has returned to the rafters of our lovely old buildings... and there are some new services on offer. Do look carefully at the rota for what is on offer in the evenings. Having said all that, we don't want anyone left out... so services continue to be 'zoomed' out by St Mary's Church Gosforth and the Phoenix Praise people. There is also an emailed weekly liturgy for each Sunday for those who cannot access either live worship or the Zoom services. Please do contact me if you want to go on the weekly distribution list.

ZOOM SERVICES

If you are a person with Internet access, you might like to join in with one of the two Zoom services hosted in our area. They are both very welcoming, ecumenical in character and have been attracting between 40 and 60 people... so you will not find yourself on your own!

- **11.00 am Morning Worship from the South Calder Mission Community** hosted by St Mary's Church, Gosforth. If you would like an invitation to this service please email stmarys.gosforth.zoom@gmail.com or ring the Revd Philip Dorling on 01946 725102 or 07500 239684.
- **Virtual Phoenix Evening Worship** hosted by Jill and Keith Hudson. Please contact Jill and Keith to obtain the latest information on this service. www.phoenixpraise.org.uk For an invitation please email khudson@freenetname.co.uk or ring Keith and Jill on 01946 721592.

WEEKLY SOUTH CALDER MISSION COMMUNITY LITURGY

If you struggle with Zoom, or if you are unable to access it, the South Calder Mission Community is also producing a Weekly Service Booklet with prayers, readings, a reflection for the day and suggested hymns (which can either be read from a hymn book or listened to on Youtube).

- If you would like to be emailed a copy of the weekly service each week, please contact the Reverend Philip Dorling on philipdorling123@btinternet.com or call him on 01946 725102 or 07500 239684 and he will arrange for a paper copy to be delivered to you before the next Sunday.



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