



Circuit News No. 63 August 2018

Diary Dates

6, 7, 8 August at Silsden. Holiday Club for ages 7-11. 10am-12. Contact Jo Dolman on 07904 883491 or jo.dolman@airedalemethodists.org

13-14 August at Steeton. Holiday Club 10am-12. Contact Jo Dolman.

18 August 6pm Quiz Night at Steeton. Contact Christine Hambley 654223

26 August 6pm at Cross Hills. Circuit Farewell Service for Chris Holmes.

1 September The Tewit Silver Band in concert at Silsden Methodist Church. See overleaf for more details.

14 September 7pm Baker Mike at Cononley Village Institute. See overleaf.

8 September Yorkshire West Methodist Synod at Woodhouse Grove School.

9 September 6pm Circuit Service at Lees Methodist Church

19 September Local Preachers' Meeting

22 September Circuit Quiet Day at Steeton. See overleaf for details.

23 September Stuart Townend Concert at Keighley Shared Church. See overleaf

26 September Circuit Meeting

Action for Children

Thanks to all those who helped with the recent store collection in Morrisons which raised a total of £295.18. These collections go a long way towards raising valuable resources for the vital work the charity does right across the country. Our next store collection is on Friday 7th December at Sainsburys, so do please put the date in your diary now, so that if at all possible you can keep it free. We only ask people to give one hour, so if you haven't done so before please offer just one hour of your time on 7th December.

Judith and Maurice Baren

Dear Friends, Since my return from sabbatical there have been some good things happening in The Airedale Circuit.

The Conference Weekend held in Nottingham saw the ordination of Rev David McAloon from our own circuit and of two of our previous students - Rev Ann Fox and Rev Louise Makin. Many were able to attend from the Circuit, dividing ourselves across the two ordination services. The day was a day of great celebration and the end of a journey and the beginning of another. Congratulations to all of them.

As I write we have just experienced the Circuit Prayer Pilgrimage where many folks walked around the circuit sharing in prayer and fellowship. Two people managed to walk the whole distance which was an amazing achievement. The weekend culminated in a service at Bingley Methodist where many gathered in worship. As the churches continue to "walk" and pray their communities and discern what next, we ask that God will continue to bless this life of pilgrimage and prayer in which we are all involved. The month of August is often a time when the pace is a little slower and many find refreshment in holidays and days away. Some of our churches are holding "Holiday Clubs" and we ask that God may have his hand over those who offer of their time and all the children who attend.

At the end of this month Chris and Heather will be leaving the circuit as Chris takes up a new post as Lay Pastor in The Bolton Circuit. We wish him well and hope that many people will attend his farewell service on August 26th at 6pm to be held at Cross Hills.

The following poem I wrote for the funeral of a stalwart of one of our churches. I thought others might like to reflect upon it too, it is called Faith.

What is this faith we speak of?
Although the storm may rage
Having confidence to walk on the water.
When the rains come
Being convinced the sun is not far behind.
When life throws a bucket load
Believing it will not last forever.
Knowing in the depths of your being
That over time all will be well.
It is never losing sight of love
Even when hurt and bruised.
It is clinging on by our finger tips
Then letting go.
Faith means more today
Than yesterday.
It is never taking your eyes off Jesus.
Faith is knowing that God is
And does

So have a blessed August. Rest and relax well,

See you all next month. *Ruth*



proudly presents

The Tewit Silver Band



'In Concert'

featuring your favourites from
The Last Night of the Proms

**on Saturday Sept 1st at 7.00pm
at Silsden Methodist Church**

Conductor Martin Hall with guest soloist Sarah Halstead

Tickets £ 6.50 including refreshments

*Proceeds for Sue Ryder Manorlands Hospice
and Silsden Methodist Church*

Tickets available from

Twiggs Newsagents and Silsden Methodist Church



Baker Mike

**CONONLEY VILLAGE INSTITUTE
Friday, 14th September**

Bakery Demonstration with Baker Mike

An Evening with the famous local Baker Mike... watch and sample FIVE Demonstration Bakes, whilst enjoying a glass of wine and take home the recipes to try!

at 7.00pm

Tickets: £7.50 available from Cononley Post Office
or Tel: (01535) 633956

All proceeds in aid of St John's United Church Redevelopment Fund



**STUART
TOWNEND
AND BAND
THE
COURAGE
TOUR 2018**

Sunday 23rd September

**An evening with Stuart Townend
at Keighley Shared Church**

Stuart Townend is one of today's leading worship songwriters. Churches around the world sing his hymns including "In Christ alone", "How deep the Father's love" and "The power of the cross".

Start Time: 7.30pm (Doors open 7.00pm)

Tickets: £15 Adults, £12 Concessions

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Saturday 22nd September

10am-3pm

at Steeton Methodist Church



"Resting in Prayer"

A Circuit Quiet Day

led by Revd Ruth Gee

President of the Methodist Conference 2013-2014

This is a free event but please let us know of your attendance by email to the Local Preachers' Secretary Janet Clark janmclark0210@gmail.com or phone 01535 655744. Please book by September 16th at the latest

Many thanks to Eileen Jowitt for doing a great job of editing the newsletter for the past three months. Please submit any items for the September newsletter by Monday 20th August to Gerald Crompton (Editor) news@airedalemethodists.org or 01535 652353 or post to 55 Woodside Road, Silsden Keighley BD20 0BN. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please send a request to Gerald.