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FROM THE MINISTER

Grace and peace from our Lord Jesus Christ!

Friends,

I begin this edition with a 'thank you' for your presence at the Testimony Service on 19th May. I thank you all for your support and prayers and pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to call *us all, ordained and lay*, to use and share our different gifts, with each other in a community of "unity in diversity," (Pope Francis) on Pentecost.

We are approaching two important Christian festivals in the calendar: Ascension Day, on 30th May and Pentecost, on 9th June. Festivals mark the major turning points in our Christian story and point us toward what is central about the Christian faith. But it can also be said to be dangerous, because of temptation to commemorate it. Festivals are important because they prompt us to remember God's faithful action in the past, which is a good thing...so long as it prompts us to seek God's action among us in the present and prepare for God's action through us in the future.

Yet Ascension Day has been described as the 'poor cousin' among church festivals because it is often overlooked and passed over without being missed. Few congregations worship on Ascension Day, which falls on the Thursday that comes 40 days after Easter, or some may observe it on the following Sunday. But many will simply forget or not observe it at all.

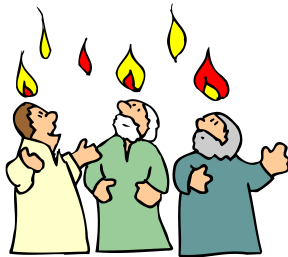
This seems like poor treatment for one of the great ecumenical feasts. Ascension is a story that sets the stage for the giving of the Spirit. Jesus' going to the Father meant that the Spirit will be poured out on God's people (Acts 2:33). But all too often, when we look back to commemorate God's action in the past, our attention lingers there, and we grow nostalgic for days gone by and compare unfavourably to those we currently live in.

Fewer holidays also present themselves as ripe for nostalgia as Pentecost. Pentecost is the day on which the Church was born, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, made evident by the tongues of flame and rushing wind, creating a community of believers, empowered to share the good news of Jesus with the world. These were the glory days of the church, with spirit-filled preaching; miraculous listening and three thousand converted in a single day. Pentecost is not merely a festival of remembrance or nostalgia, celebrated with a big cake and candles but one which points us to God's ongoing work for the present and future.

So to this end, Ascension Day and Pentecost needn't be nostalgic but rather a **window** to make sense of the present and prepare for the future. These great festivals should not be seen as nostalgic commemorations but a means by which to anticipate and make sense of God's ongoing activity in our church and in the world.

With every blessing, and a Happy Church Birthday to us all!

Abe



Thy Kingdom Come

‘Nine Days of Prayer: I hear you differently’!

A prayer guide written by the Revd Dr Barbara C Glasson, President-Designate of the 2019/2020 Methodist Conference and Team Leader at Touchstone, part of the Yorkshire West Methodist District dedicated to interfaith work. Photographs by David Glasson.

Thy Kingdom Come is a global initiative, in which Christians are called to pray for the nine days between Ascension and Pentecost. Churches are being invited to pray for God’s Spirit to move within the Church, equipping us to share God’s love with others and to pay attention to how God is speaking to us today.

Copies of ‘I Hear You Differently’! are being distributed to Districts, and will be available soon but if you want to find out more about Thy Kingdom Come, please visit www.thykingdomcome.global or www.methodist.org.uk/thykingdomcome.

CIRCUIT SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

The Missions Garden Party will take place on Saturday 22nd June at Forest Hill Methodist Church, Normanton Street SE23 between 11.00am and 2.00pm. Please book the date now.

ROUND THE FAMILY

Margaret Boreham would like to thank you all for your prayers, cards and messages during her recent illnesses. There are some tests and possibly some treatments still to come. Your prayers would be appreciated.

We were pleased to welcome the Rev. Bill Tardy to lead our 154th Church Anniversary on 12th May, when we had a good time of fellowship together.

At the end of our General Church meeting and Morning Service on Sunday 5th May we were pleased to receive Tunji Joseph into Membership of the Methodist Church.

We think of all those who are taking exams and pray that they will have cool heads and calm nerves. We also think of those who are leaving school or college this year and moving on to new experiences.

The Church received Easter cards from Dawn Watts and Forest Hill Methodist Church sending us God's blessings at Easter.

The Minister of Burnt Ash, Hither Green and Sunfields Methodist Churches, the Rev. Bill Tardy, will be retiring at the end of July and his Circuit farewell service will be held on Sunday 7th July at 4.30pm at Burnt Ash Methodist Church.

Marian

From the Editor

With this edition the magazine commences its 51st year of production—I can't believe we have been going so long! When Mike started the magazine in 1968 it consisted of two double-sided foolscap sheets duplicated on a temperamental Gestetner machine that lived in our bedroom! It is now prepared on a computer and, as well as printed copies, it is sent far and wide by internet - something never dreamed of in those far off times!

Mike started the magazine as a way of keeping everyone in the church family in touch with what was happening in the Church, and I am sure that he never envisaged it still going strong over 50 years later. Over the years we have had record reviews by "Mr. Disc", motoring advice from "P.C.Plod", various recipes, series on the Crystal Palace, several series of articles by "Tred" (Andrew Tredinnick's father), more recently a series on Church music, and articles about Methodism. We have marked births, marriages and deaths, changes of Minister and a change of Circuit!

I have been the editor for the past 27 years, but production of the magazine is a team effort and I would like to thank Valerie and Andrew Tredinnick, who collate and staple the magazine, Dave Hynes, who maintains the mailing list, and all the Pastoral Leaders who help to distribute the magazines.

I am also very appreciative of everyone who gives me articles, news and suggestions for things to include. If anyone has any news or an idea for an article, or even feels moved to write the occasional article themselves, please have a word with me or contact me - my details are inside the front cover.

Marian

INTROIT

Our Introit for the next four months will be “Jesus, we are here,” which we last used as an Introit in December 2011.

Jesus, we are here,
Jesus, we are here,
Jesus, we are here,
we are here for you.

Spirit, we are here,
Spirit, we are here,
Spirit, we are here,
we are here for you.

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Singing the Faith no. 27



PENGE FESTIVAL 2019

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

PENGE FESTIVAL FETE Saturday June 2nd from 11am to 5pm on Royston Playing Field. Attractions include a Bouncy Castle, Dog Show, Ark Animal Encounters, Football Activities, Fair-ground rides plus a variety of stalls.

A SERIES OF WALKS including a Swift Walk 7th June. A Bat walk on Friday 15th June, a Penge Street Art Walk on Sunday 9th June and a Heritage Walk on Saturday 8th June,

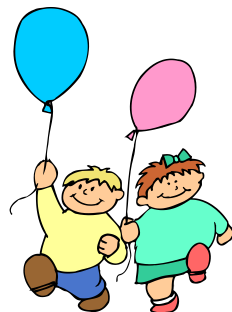
FOR THE CHILDREN An activity Fun Afternoon at Penge Recreation Ground on Sunday 16th June, and Teddy Bears' Picnic at St. John's Church on Monday 3rd June.

QUIZ/SUPPER NIGHT at Avenue Club, Royston Halls on Wednesday 19th June

THANKSGIVING SERVICE at Penge Baptist Church on Sunday 2nd June at 10.30am

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COOKERY CORNER**Gateau-au-chocolate Chocolate Cake****Ingredients**

300gr.(10oz.) plain flour	100gr.(4oz.) chocolate powder
1 heaped teaspn. baking powder	4 eggs
175gr.(6 oz.) caster sugar	1 teaspn. Vanilla essence
100gr (4 oz.) butter	a little milk
50gr.(2 oz) margarine	pinch of salt

Method

1. Prepare an 18cm.(7 inch) square tin by lining with greased paper.
2. Beat sugar, butter and margarine to a cream.
3. Whisk eggs and add vanilla essence.
4. Mix flour, salt and baking powder.
5. Add flour and eggs alternately to the butter and sugar.
6. Add the chocolate powder and a little milk, beat until smooth and evenly coloured.
7. Pour mixture into the cake tin.
8. Bake for 1 hour in a moderate oven 375°F/Gas Mark 4/ 190°C/Fan 180°C

Ann Vickery

CIRCUIT CONCERT

Saturday 1st June 2019

4pm at Forest Hill Methodist Church

Normanton Street SE23 2DS

(Buses 75 and 356 stop in Perry Vale, nearby)

Before climbing Mount Kilimanjaro in July Taiwo Payne will be volunteering for a few days at a newly built orphanage 'Summit Happy Home' in Arusha, Tanzania

which opens on 1st May 2019.

Funds raised from this Concert will go towards creating a Learning Centre

at 'Summit Happy Home' housing children aged between 3-10 years old.

Tickets price £5 available from John Collis. Please send a cheque made out to

Forest Hill Methodist Church & Centre with a SAE to:

John Collis, 70 Dundee Road, SE25 4QJ.

Tickets will be available on the door.

EASTER OFFERING SERVICE

The Easter Offering Service was held at Burnt Ash Methodist Church this year on the afternoon of Sunday 12th May. The theme was “Longer tables, lower fences”, and we were pleased to have as our speaker the Rev. Bill Tardy.

The amount collected this year in Anerley’s Easter Offering envelopes was £209.37 including tax recovered. This year some of our congregation collected money in jars during lent to also go towards the Easter Offering and the amount raised in our jars was £158.05 including tax recovered.

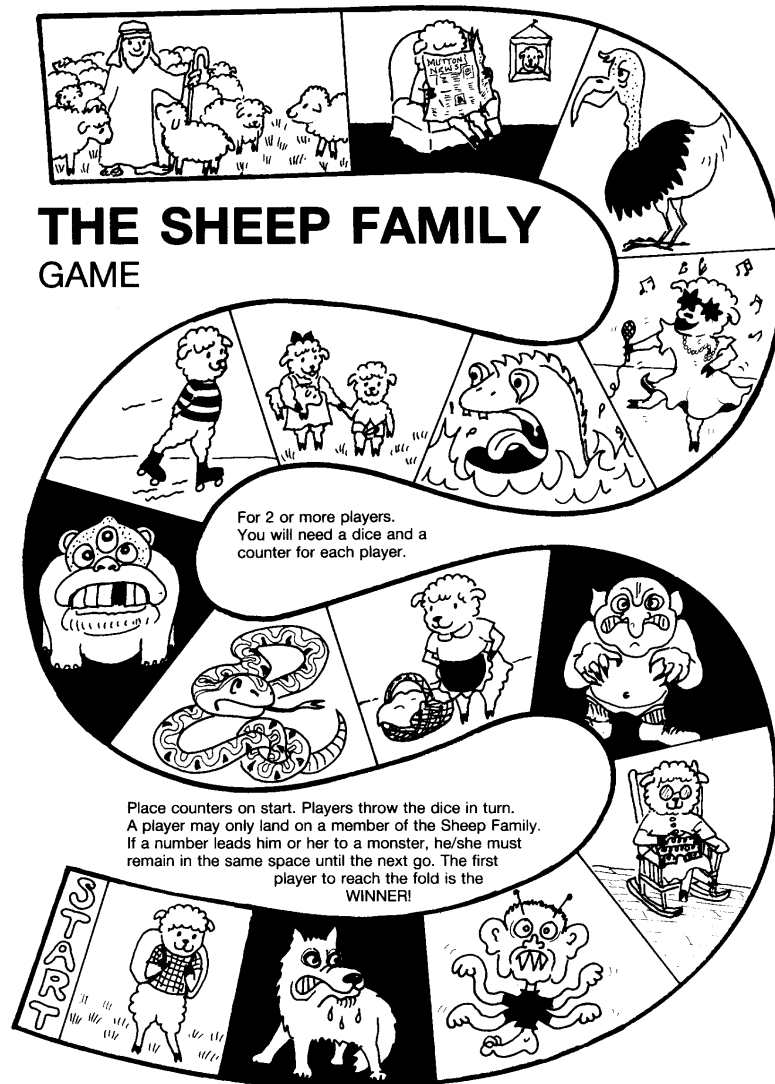
Each year the Circuit JMA (Junior Mission for All) shield is presented at the Easter Offering Service to the Church in the Circuit which has increased its JMA collections over the last year by the largest percentage (**not** the church which has collected the most) and this year Burnt Ash won the shield. Although Anerley did not win the shield this year, we congratulate our small band of regular collectors who can usually be found collecting their money after morning services. If you would like to give regularly to any of our collectors, please have a word with Dinah.

ORDINANDS’ TESTIMONY SERVICE

The London District Ordinands’ Testimony Service was held at Wesley’s Chapel, City Road on May 19th. The service was attended by the President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference, the Rev. Michaela Youngson and Bala Gnagnapragasam and during the service, the three ordinands from the London District, including our Minister, Abe, spoke of their calling to Christian faith and Ministry. Several members of our congregation attended the service, which they found very inspiring. Abe’s Ordination Service will take place at Coventry Central Hall on June 30th at 4.00pm, as part of the Methodist Conference taking place in Birmingham.

FOR OUR YOUNGER READERS

Jesus told stories about a shepherd and his sheep. Here is a game all about sheep, for you to play.





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Only Believe Christian Assembly Tues 7.30pm—10.30pm	Tel. 020 8778 0863
Penge Community Pre-School Monday to Friday 9.15am to 4pm	Tel. 020 8289 6771
Salvation & Deliverance Ministry Sunday 2pm to 5.30pm	Tel. 020 8683 3094
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JUNE

Sat 1st	Penge Festival Fete 11am-5pm at Royston Field, Penge
Sat 1st	Circuit Concert 4pm at Forest Hill Methodist Church. See the magazine for more details.
Wed 5th	Wednesday Club 8pm Would I Lie to You?
Tue 11th	Pastoral Meeting 7.45pm at the Church
Wed 12 th	Wednesday Club 8pm. Code Word & Word Search
Thur 13th	Circuit Meeting 7.45pm at Burnt Ash Methodist Church
Mon 17 th	Christian Action Group 8pm at 15 Rosetta Court, 112 Church Road, SE19 Speaker: Rev. Pam Clews
Wed 19th	Wednesday Club 7pm Penge Festival Quiz at Avenue Club, Royston Halls
Sat 22nd	Circuit Missions Garden party at Forest Hill Methodist Church 11am—2pm
Sun 23rd	All Age Worship 11a.m. Local Arrangement
Wed 26 th	Wednesday Club Short Ramble; meet at 32 Lloyds Way at 7.15pm for 7.30pm start.
Sun 30th	Ordination of the Rev. Abe Konadu-Yiadom at Coventry Central Hall at 4pm

JULY

Wed 3 rd	Wednesday Club 8pm Nature Trail Game
Sun 7 th	MAGAZINE ITEMS TO BE GIVEN TO MARIAN!

Sun 7th Farewell Service for the Rev. Bill Tardy 4.30pm at Burnt Ash Methodist Church

Wed 10th Wednesday Club Petanque 7.30pm sharp at 32 Lloyds Way

Sat 13th (Provisional) Special Saturday—more details later

Wed 17th Wednesday Club 8pm Gill's Birthday Surprise

Sun 28th All Age Worship 11am. Local Arrangement

Mon 22nd Christian Action Group. 8pm at 32 Lloyds Way. Speaker: Juliet Gibbs

Wed 24th Wednesday Club 8pm: Surprise Evening

Wed 31st Wednesday Club 8pm: Dominoes

AUGUST

Wed 7th Wednesday Club 8pm. Memorable Music

Mon 19th Christian Action Group 163 Clock House Road. Speaker: Rev. Andrew Goodhead

Morning Services are held every Sunday at 11am. Holy Communion is usually celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the month and All Age Worship usually takes place on the 4th Sunday. Holy Communion will be celebrated on 16th June and 21st July

Evening Services are usually held at the church on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 6.30pm and Holy Communion is usually celebrated on the 2nd Sunday. In June the evening services will be held on 9th (HC) and 23rd; in July the evening service will be held on 14th (HC) and 28th.

A Prayer Meeting is held at the Church every Thursday between 10am—11.30am. Drop in and out as you wish