

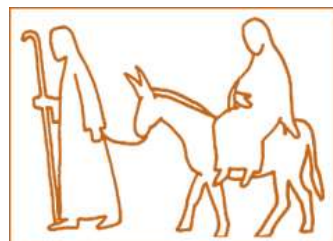
"CONNECTED" - Circuit Bulletin

28th November 2021

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"Give the gift of hope"



Last year I wrote in my Christmas message headed "Christmas is not cancelled" and thought we would be able to meet with family and friends. In the end we faced a Christmas separated from loved ones and it was tough. Hopefully, this year we will be able to meet and socialise with those we love.

Socialising is an integral part of Christmas celebrations for most however it's not Christmas. Christmas is the celebration of Jesus coming into the world to change it forever. The Word became flesh as John describes it and dwelt among us. Isn't that wonderful! God loves us so much that he comes to bring hope for the marginalised, hope to the poor, hope to the corrupt, hope to the stranger, hope for the foreigner, hope for the prisoner, hope to the ordinary and often missed, hope to the rich. Hope for all including you and me. Jesus changes lives.

Paul says, 'May the hope of God fill you' 'so that you may overflow with hope' (Romans 15: 13). We are to be **filled with the hope of God** today because of Jesus not so that we can feel self contented or it sustains our Christian discipleship rather so that hope can overflow from us. Overflow implies it goes somewhere and doesn't just stay with us. Overflow also implies you being continually topped up with hope otherwise overflow would happen only once. Christian hope flows from us into the world. Living in hope means we expect God to be at work in the world today. In the New Testament and early church just look at the emphasis given to seeking justice, peace, reconciled relationships, reintegration into community and on love of neighbour. Hope drives our commitment to social action and to the sharing and proclamation of the Good News. What a Christmas gift of hope we can give to others this Christmas!

May you and all those you care about know God's love, hope and peace this Christmas and may you give the gift of hope to others.

Rev Neville

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Circuit Administrator

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Special Christmas services round the circuit:

Carol Services:

Sun 12th December: HOSM 9.30am, Bolton 11am

Mon 13th December: Bubwith, 2pm (in All Saints Church)

Sun 19th December: Melbourne 10am, Sancton 10am, PMC 11am

Christmas Eve Communion:

Friday 24th December: 11.15pm, Pocklington.

Christmas morning (Sat 25th Dec) services:

HOSM 9.30am, Market Weighton 10am, Pocklington 10.30am



Circuit on-line 'Zoom' Services

Thursdays at 9.30am, approx 40 min. (Except 30th Dec)

Sundays at 6pm, approx 60 min. (Except 26th Dec)

Sunday evening service uses the 'worship at home' sheets which accompany this edition of 'Connected'. Log-in details included with the email accompanying this newsletter.

Methodist NE District Service, for the first Sunday of Advent – available on-line on YouTube, at: <https://youtu.be/MQbluKz0awA>



Next Messy Churches will be Christmas specials!

PMC, Tuesday 21st December, 3.45pm

HOSM, Friday 24th December, 10am

Next meeting, Melbourne, Saturday 27th November setting off at 3pm for walk along the canal side, or (if really bad weather), exploring a 'hot topic' inside...soup and cake to follow!



Notices.

Mon 29th November. Last day for donations of warm winter clothes for 'Open Doors', Hull. Box in PMC church foyer or outside Wesley House at PMC... Just time if you are quick!

Margaret Horsley (Newton) is looking for a large wooden bookcase.... any offers?

The next 'CONNECTED' will be compiled by Suzanne Patrick.

Please send items to be included by

4pm Wednesday 29th December to

methnews@gmail.com or by phone, to: 07788 111907.

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For pastoral needs, please contact Rev Neville

Church services and events...

Bolton. Contact Kathryn Page. 01759 380687

Worship...

11am, Sunday 12th December (Carol Service)
11am, Sunday 9th January (Covenant Service)



Other events...

Coffee and Chat. 10.30-11.45am, Wednesday Jan 12th
Art and Craft 10am-12noon, Monday Jan 17th

Bubwith. Contact Jenny Hall. 01757 288319

Worship (in All Saints Church)...

2pm, Monday 13th December (Carol Service)
2pm, Monday 10th January (Covenant Service)

Other events...

'Walk the Christmas Story' 3.30-5.30pm, Wednesday 22nd Dec
(free tickets booked via 'www.eventbrite.co.uk')

Melbourne. Contact Rowan Braidley. 01759 318918

Worship...

9.30am, Sunday 5th December (Communion Service)
10am, Sunday 19th December (Carol Service)
9.30am, Sunday 2nd January (Covenant)

Other events...

Chatty Crafters, 10am-12noon, Monday 6th December, 19th Jan
Awesome Club. 3.10-4.30pm Monday 13th Dec, 10th Jan
Chat & Play, 9.45-11.15am, Tuesday 7th Dec, 11th Jan

Christmas Workshop (4-11 year olds), 9.30-11.30am, Saturday
18th December.

Hot chocolate and cake! 5.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 22nd Dec
(while looking for...)

...Advent Window Trail – 1st to 31st Dec. Each day a new window
display will be revealed somewhere in the village until 24th Dec.

HOSM. Contact Kath Worsey. 07740 282665

Worship...

9.30am, Sunday 28th November
9.30am, Sunday 12th December (Carol Service)
9.30am, Saturday 25th December (Christmas Day)
9.30am, Sunday 2nd January (Covenant)
7.30pm, Sunday 12th December. HOSM Churches Together
'Carol Praise' at Oaks Farm, HOSM (and available afterwards
on-line)



Other events...

Christmas coffee morning, Saturday 4th December, 10am -12
noon.
Messy Christmas! 10 – 11.30am, Friday 24th December.

Sancton. Contact Ann Southwell. 01430 827283

Worship...

10am, Sunday 28th November
10am Sunday 5th December
10am Sunday 12th December (Communion Service)
10am, Sunday 19th December (Carol service)
10am, Sunday 2nd January



Market Weighton. Contact Maureen Slater. 07835 318089

Worship...

11am, Sunday 28th November
11am, Sunday 5th December
11am, Sunday 12th December
11am, Sunday 19th December
10am, Saturday 25th December (Christmas day)
11am, Sunday 2nd January



Other events...

'Step by Step' (Bible Study Group), 10.30-11.30am, Tuesdays,
7th, 14th, 21st December (Wesley Centre)
Friendship Group. 2pm, Wednesday 1st December (Carols,
readings, mince pies)
'Refreshment' (prayer, tea & chat), 2pm, Tuesday 4th January.
Coffee Morning. 10am-12 noon, Saturday 11 December
(including Christmas Bring and Buy stall).
Indoor Boules, Mondays, 1.45pm

Newton. Contact Margaret Horsley. 01904 607295

Worship...

9.30am, Sunday 5th December.
6.30pm, Friday 24th December (Christmas Eve)



Other events...

Heritage Cafe, 10am-12 noon, Saturday 8th January
(and each Saturday there-after until further notice). Share a
cuppa, locally made nibbles, chat, memories of local life (via
archives from Newton Local history Group)!

Pocklington. Contact Barbara Ball. 07812 414812

Worship...

11am, Sunday 28th November
11am, Sunday 5th December (Worship4All); refreshments from
10.30am, family lunch (inc bring & share pud) to follow service
11am, Sunday 12th December (with the Circuit Choir)
3pm, Sunday 12th December (service of remembrance and
thanksgiving, especially for those bereaved or grieving)
11am, Sunday 19th December (Carol Service)
11.15pm, Friday 24th December. Christmas Eve Communion.
10.30am, Saturday 25th December (Christmas Day; bring a
present, challenge Rev Neville to produce a message from it!)
11am, Sunday 2nd January (Covenant)

Other events...

Housegroups, Wednesday @ 2pm, 7.30pm, Thur @ 10am
Circuit Choir practice, 6.30-8pm, Thursday 2nd December
Prayer meeting, 9.30-10am Friday 3rd, 10th, 17th 24th December
Coffee mornings, 10-11.30am, Friday 3rd, 10th, 17th 31st December
Fairtrade stall, 10-11.30am, Friday 10th Dec (& 14th Jan)
Songs round the piano, 2-4pm, Friday 3rd, 10th, 24th, 31st
December (faith tea to follow).
Decorate PMC for Christmas! 10am, Monday 6th December.
Tea & Chat, 2.30pm, Tuesday 14th December. Topic 'We Went
Carolling' (Bring food to share!)
Pocklington Praise, 7.30pm, Friday 17th December. Faith supper
to follow.
Messy Christmas! 3.45 - 5.45pm, Tuesday 21st December.