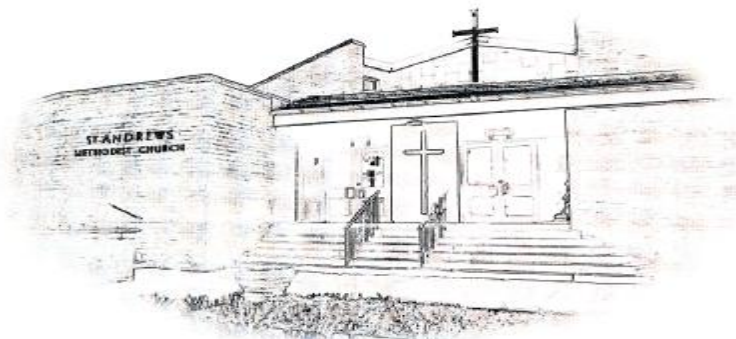


ST ANDREW'S METHODIST CHURCH
Huddersfield Road, Halifax
Sunday 5th February 2012



**'Our mission is to share the Love of God
as revealed by Christ, through the Holy Spirit'**

**9.00 a.m. Early Morning Communion
conducted by the Rev Judith Satchell**

**10.30 a.m. All Age Worship
conducted by the Rev Judith Satchell**

Junior Church meets every Sunday from 10.30 a.m.
There is a crèche in the coffee bar for babies under 3 years.
We hope you will join us for coffee after morning worship.
If you are new to our church, please make yourself
known to one of the stewards.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Please pray for

- Rev Judith and all who take part in our worship today.
- For those sitting near to you.
- If you have a subject for prayer, which you would like to be included in our prayers for others, please write it briefly on the slip available from the Door Stewards, for collection during the service.

**ALL AGE WORSHIP AT 10.30 A.M. CONDUCTED BY
THE REV JUDITH SACHELL**

CALL TO WORSHIP:

HYMN: SoF 466 Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

PRAYER:

BIBLE READING: Isaiah chapter 40 verses 21 – 31 (O.T. page 703)

HYMN: SoF 14 All things bright and beautiful

ADDRESS 1: "Great Big God"

HYMN: SoF 2004 Our God is a great big God

ADDRESS 2: "Kings and Creators"

HYMN: SoF 393 Morning has broken

ADDRESS 3: "Tired out?"

HYMN: SoF 89 Faithful one, so unchanging

COLLECTION AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION:

PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER:

HYMN: SoF 208 If I were a butterfly

THE BLESSING:

Organist – Mr David Whiteley

THIS MORNING after the Service the Scouts, Guides and Explorers will be hosting the coffee bar with drinks and treats for all! Donations will be welcomed and used towards the costs for the Big County Camp in May – please support the young people if you can, they are looking forward to serving you with your morning coffee, etc today.

THE FAIRTRADE STALL will be in the Coffee Bar this morning please remember to stock up your cupboards today (surely the Christmas chocolate is long gone by now!!).

THE CHURCH COUNCIL will meet on Wednesday February 8th at 7-30 pm in the side chapel, preceded by communion at 7 o'clock. Please bring written reports to the meeting. Apologies and items for AOB should be given to Judith or Sue Wright beforehand. Minutes and agendas are available on the vestibule table.

MESSY CHURCH – THIS COMING FRIDAY - the theme for Messy Church this month is **Bible Roads – Car Design** features high on this list and we will be putting to good use all the boxes you have been saving for us. If you would like to take part or just come along to bring some buns for pudding or help with the washing up we will be glad to see you – have a word with Judith if you want to find out more.

THE SEEKERS FELLOWSHIP GROUP will meet tomorrow evening, Monday 6th February 2012 at the home of Vivienne and Enid, All meetings begin at 7.30 p.m. and the group will be pleased to welcome new friends to join them. If you want to find out more please contact Margaret Caulfield (363686) for further information.

THE MONDAY EVENING FELLOWSHIP GROUP – will next meet on Monday February 13th followed by meetings on **Tuesday** March 20th and Monday April 16th, all meetings are in the Quiet Room at church. Please join them if you can. Further details from Sue Hargreaves or Valerie Ashworth.

THE GREEN PARK FELLOWSHIP GROUP will next meet on February 15th and then on March 14th and April 18th 2012. New members always welcome. Ring Sue Wright (354736) for details.

OPEN TO GOD – every Wednesday morning at 10.00 a.m. – will be held during February at Salem Church. The leader this week is Dr Eilidh Gunson.

ASH WEDNESDAY - 22nd February 7.30 p.m. at St Andrew's. There will be a service of Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes to mark the beginning of Lent. An invitation to a day of prayer and fasting has been prepared by Churches Together in Halifax. Please take an invitation card with more details if you are interested.

HOLIDAY AT HOME - It's time to start planning the Holiday at Home for this summer! A first meeting of the planning group will be held on Monday 20th February at 2.00 p.m. at St Andrew's. Do come and join us!

CALLING ALL TAXPAYERS – If you give regularly to the church and you are a UK taxpayer, then Gift Aid is a simple way to increase the value of your gift to the church. All you have to do is make your gift through the envelope scheme or through a bank standing order and sign a declaration that you pay UK tax. The church can then recover the tax on your donations from the Revenue. A donation of £10 under Gift Aid is equivalent to a donation of £12.50. Everything is dealt with in the strictest confidence. Please see Ian Braithwaite, Gift Aid Secretary, if you wish to participate

PASTORAL VISITOR'S TRAINING – "Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults" - It is essential that all Pastoral Visitors attend a Safeguarding Training session before 1st September. Judith and Stella are putting on 2 sessions specifically for Pastoral Visitors. There is a choice of dates: Tuesday 17th April 1.30 for 2.00 and Monday 28th May 6.30 for 7.00. Both sessions are at St Andrew's. (If you can't manage either of these other dates and venues in the circuit will be available). Book the date in your diary now, booking forms will be out next month

CHRISTIAN AID – we are pleased to welcome Lesley Wood as our new Christian Aid Co-ordinator and Lesley writes: "Thank you to all who gave donations rather than sending Christmas cards. A total of £32 has been forwarded to Christian Aid".

SOCIAL MEDIA AND YOUR ORGANISATION - how can Facebook, Twitter, Linked In, QR Codes, etc work for you and your organisation? Find out more on Tuesday 7th February 7pm - 9.30pm or Thursday 15th March 10am - 12.30pm at The King's Centre, Park Road, Halifax. The course is run by Beth Ward of Tippey Marketing and Events and Paul Blakey MBE founder of Street Angels. Cost of the course is £30 or £25 for charities with half the money benefiting the work of Street Angels. Book with Paul on 07725 501465 / paul@streetangels.org.uk

HALIFAX FRIENDS OF PALESTINE FILM CLUB invite you to join them on their first Film club project as they show the four episodes of the acclaimed channel 4 drama, "**The Promise**" – these will take place at King Cross Library on 9th, 16th and 23rd February from 5.00 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. each week – ADMISSION FREE.

JUMBLE SALE - we are having a Jumble Sale on **Wednesday 22nd February 2012. 9.30 a.m.** onwards – sorting. **1.00 p.m. – 2.30 p.m.** Good as New Sale. **6.30 p.m. Jumble Sale.** If you can help at anytime please come along. If you have any jumble please bring it to Church with you or have a word with Glenda if you need someone to collect it.

THE O & A SPRING QUIZ "Dressing Up" is now on sale and Jane and Lauren will be selling them in the Coffee Bar after morning worship today – please do buy a copy if you haven't already done so – all proceeds for the O & A 2012 Appeal which is due to be launched soon.

YORKSHIRE 10K RUNS – perhaps for the more energetic amongst us!! – See the poster on the Notice Board to find out more about these events or on how to enter.

THE CIRCUIT FAIR TRADE EVENT – will be held this year on Saturday 10th March 2012 at Central Methodist Church Brighouse – help needed on the day – please read the notices on the board or speak to David Grundy who will be happy to tell you more.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – "Let Justice Prevail" is on Friday 2nd March 2012 – 2.00 p.m. at the Halifax Minster – Speaker Rev Christine Perry – all are welcome – men, women and young people.

YOU ARE INVITED TO AN EVENING WITH THE HUDSON TAYLORS at Central Methodist Church, Brighouse, HD6 1AQ at 7.30pm on Tuesday 28th February 2012. Please register **NOW** for your **FREE** tickets. Contact Linda Brook – 07761 867723 – brighthousemusicgroup@gmail.com

DO YOU KNOW YOUR OLYMPIC SPORTS AND SPORTS PEOPLE? - an evening of fun and food the Day before the Olympic Torch comes into the District. Saturday 23rd June 2012 Olympic themed Sports Quiz Night – See Poster on Notice Board.

CIRCUIT GARDEN PARTY – 26th May 2012 at the home of Paul & Margaret Hinton – if you would you like to find out more the information is on the Notice Board. PLEASE START SAVING ANY CHIPPED CROCKERY for the SMASHING CROCKERY STALL.

CELEBRATORY CHORAL MUSIC by Handel, Haydn, Jackson, Mendelssohn, Dyson, Knight and others at The Halifax Minster on Saturday 24th March 2012 beginning at 7.30 p.m. Tickets are available from www.heritagechorale.org.uk – The Yorkshire College of Music and Drama (0113 2431605) or on the door. See the Poster on the Notice Board for further information.

EVENTS NOTICES – LOTS TO READ - please read the Notices on the board in the corridor – Concert of Klezmer Music by the Freylach Spielers at Highgate on 26/2/2012 at 7.30 p.m. - Drop-in Centre News - Art Classes at the Salvation Army – Information re Poverty in Calderdale Conference to be held on **6th October 2012** (note date change) - A Training Course for leading walks for the over 50's on 14/2/2012; Olympic Sports Quiz – 23rd June 2012 and many more events.

SEE NOTICE BOARD FOR A LIST OF CIRCUIT EVENTS FROM NOW UNTIL MARCH

THIS WEEK AT ST ANDREW'S

Monday	9.00 a.m.	Parent and Toddler Group
Tuesday	6.00 p.m.	Cubs and Beavers
	8.00 p.m.	YW's – Speaker – Marion Reynolds "A Life on the Stage"
Wednesday	2.30 p.m.	Service at Stafford Manor
	3.15 p.m.	Service at Fernside Hall
	7.00 p.m.	Holy Communion preceding Church Council
	7.30 p.m.	Church Council
	7.30 p.m.	Ladies Club – Speaker Brian Crowther
Thursday	6.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m.	Rainbows/Brownies - Scouts/Guides
Friday	3.30 p.m.	Messy Church
	7.30 p.m.	Music Group Practice

During this week please pray for:

Our minister the Rev Judith Satchell & Stella Christie our Pastoral Lay Worker. Mrs Juliet Foster & Rev Francis Neil as they prepare to lead our Services next Sunday. Ann Ashton who will lead worship at Luddendenfoot URC next Sunday morning. The Church Family at Mount Zion and their minister the Rev Paul Welch. Calderdale's Inn Churches Winter Shelter Scheme which is in action again this week-end and will take place over the next two week-ends – and for all the guests and helpers. **IMPORTANT** ring Dorothy (250509) regarding lettings or if you want to use a room. Items for the News Sheet please send to Enid by email to j.turner302@btinternet.com or by phone (362654). Our website www.standrewshalifax.org.uk
Circuit website www.calderdalemethodists.org.uk
District website www.westyorkshiremethodist.org.uk