

LIFE @ TRINITY

25th February 2018



10.30am Peter Holwell
Communion
'Intentional Faith Development – 3'
Luke 9: 1-6

6.00pm David Cowans/Hazel Nelson
Lent 2
'Jesus eats with the wrong sort of people and allows a woman to anoint Him with oil.'

Welcome!

A warm welcome to worship at Trinity today.

We hope you enjoy meeting with us as we worship God together. If you are here for the first time, why not fill in a Welcome Card and continue to keep in touch with all that goes on at Trinity. Just speak to a Steward and they will help you.

We hope you will join us for tea and coffee in the Café after the Service.

Children @ Trinity

All children are welcome to take part in YOUNG CHURCH during main church Service. We have a supervised crèche for children aged 3 yrs and under in the Breamish room.

We have **Explorers** for 3-6yrs in the **Coquet room** (next door to crèche).

We have **Enquirers** for 7-11yrs in the **Derwent room** (opposite the crèche).

We have **Elevate** for 11+ upstairs in the **Allen Room**.

Children attending for the first time need a responsible adult to accompany them to sign the necessary safeguarding forms before returning to the Main Service.

'Meet God, Meet Friends, Live Life Better'

Flower person for the month

Maureen Stewart

Today

Dennis Barkwill

Women's Fellowship

Next meeting

Tuesday 27th February 2018 at 2.15pm

'Bring & Buy'

All ladies welcome

NOTICES

Sunday Evening Connect Sessions – 4th March – Lent 3 – 'Jesus rages in the temple and washes His disciples' feet.' **11th March – Lent 4** – 'Jesus breaks bread and shares wine (Communion).' **18th March – Lent 5** – 'Jesus prays in the garden and allows Himself to be arrested.' **25th March – Circuit Service.**

Foodbank. As well as the usual weekly run of food / toiletries carried out since January, we were also able to hand over a cheque this week for £500 from Trinity's winter fuel allowance appeal. This was much appreciated. Thank you to all who support this worthwhile venture. *Alan Nicholson.*

Church Organist required – Chester le Street Methodist Church. The organ is an impressive three manual 'Allen' ADC 6300 digital model – regarded as a Rolls Royce amongst digital instruments. The Church has a strong musical tradition with an active 30 strong choir. An honorarium (to cover reasonable expenses) can be negotiated. Contact Stephen Wroe on 07722 863 680 or email: stephenwroe1@btinternet.com or Revd Liz Kent on 0191 388 3268 or the Church office on 0191 388 1313.

'ARE YOU FREE?' - Trinity does some amazing work with families within the Gosforth and wider community. Some of this work is done through the Monday and Wednesday Toddler Groups. We desperately need some new volunteers to come along and help 'plug the hole.' Do you think that you could give up a morning once or twice a month to help set up toys, or make coffees or listen to mums? If so please chat with Andie Cozens, Margaret Gillon or Jennifer Kernahan. We would love to hear from you. Thank you in anticipation.

Creating Safe Space – Foundation & Refresher Safeguarding training sessions. Tuesday 6th March, Refreshers at 2pm & 7pm at Heaton Methodist Church, NE6 5JX. Please book in advance to: Peter Michell, 01661 871885 or David Stabler, 0191 232 1693 or email: circuitoffice@brunswickmethodist.org.uk.

EVENTS AT TRINITY

The next coffee morning will be on Saturday 3rd March and will be sponsored by the Stewarding team. There will be the usual array of stalls for which donations of items would be appreciated – raffle, cakes, biscuits, scones and preserves; bric-a-brac; bottles for the bottle stall, books and a store-cupboard Tombola (with an Easter flavour). Please ensure all food items are unopened and in date. Any enquiries and offers of help to Peter Short. Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you there. *The Stewards.*

Saturday 10th March – Crafts on the Square for Mothering Sunday - 10am – 12noon. If you are free and would like to help with some simple crafts for a couple of hours, please speak to Lucy Tanser.

Saturday 10th March – ‘Music from the Masters’ – 7pm. Well-known choral music by composers such as Bach, Handel, Mozart and Verdi, with choir and Bede Wind – conductor, Ernest Young. Admission £5.00. There is a workshop in the afternoon at 2.15pm – come and sing – fee £3.00. For information and bookings, contact Monica Goldfinch on 285 6223 or monica.goldfinch@btinternet.com.

Monday 12th March at 10am – The Flower Group are meeting in the Ouseburn Room. Everyone who is interested in arranging or distributing flowers is very welcome to attend. *Anne Morton*.

Thursday 29th March at 7.30pm – ‘Gosforth Passion’ – at Trinity Church - (a dramatic portrayal of the Easter Story). Everyone welcome. **Entry by ticket only – tickets free** from reception or office.

Saturday 31st March – Easter Club (10am – 3pm) for young people from 4yrs – 10yrs. An all day club with Easter crafts, games and egg hunt. Cost £5. If you would like to join us, please speak to or email andrea.cozens@trinitygosforth.org.uk.

EVENTS ELSEWHERE

Women’s World Day of Prayer – Friday, 2nd March at 1.30pm. All Saints Church, Gosforth. Everyone welcome.

St George’s URC High Heaton are having a youth event on Saturday 3rd March, featuring Kema Kay, rapper and a lead player in Ken Loach’s ‘I Daniel Blake’. There will be worship, testimony, music and time for fellowship and discussion. Free admission by ticket – please contact Rev. Dr. Grant Wilson if you are interested at revgrantwilson@gmail.com.

Celebrating St Cuthbert - Jesmond URC - 3rd - 10th March, an exhibition by Northumbrian Scribes, open through the week until 4pm. **Echoes of St Cuthbert, Saturday 3rd March @ 10.30am** – a study by Revd Rachel Poolman. **St Cuthbert Cantata by Adrian Self, Tuesday 6th March @ 7.30pm.** **Calligraphy Workshops on Thursday 8th March @ 2.30pm and 6.30pm** and the **Grainger Singers & Felling Male Voice Choir on Saturday 10th March @ 7pm.** Please see i folder at reception for more details.

‘Christian Vision for Men’ are holding men’s day tours across the UK and are coming to Gateshead on Saturday 10th March 2018. The theme of the event is ‘Going Against the Grain,’ where there will be faith, life and adventure. It’s about getting blokes together to worship God, laugh and be inspired from the bible. There will be a team of speakers from CVM HQ. The meeting is at Christ church, Felling - £10 to register – breakfast served 9.15am – closes 1pm. To book visit: cvm.org.uk/tour.

Creating a Culture of Invitation, Tuesday 20th March 2018, 10am-1pm, (Getting Ready for the National Weekend of Invitation) @ Chester le Street Methodist Church, North Burns, DH3 3TF. Speaker Michael Harvey (an amazing enabler/encourager – helping Churches in 18 countries/over 14 years, see fresh ideas and be more effective). All welcome.

Saturday 24th March at 2.30pm – ‘Dales Preachers’ Tales’ (The North East Methodist History Society- Spring 2018 Lecture). Presented by Dr Christine Seal at Haydon Bridge Methodist Church, igh tea will be served (£6.50) but must be booked in advance on 01434 608733. Admission £2 for non-members – all welcome.

Walking through Lent – Intentionally – Week 2

Mark 8:31-38

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'if you want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

There are two things strike me as I read the above passage. Firstly, what Jesus predicts is a nonsense to Peter and does not fit with his preconception of how the Messiah would be. Yet from the perspective of Jesus, this would not be a random reaction against him, but part of the way the Love of God would gain victory over a world of darkness. So instead of suffering in this case being a random act, it becomes a purposeful part of the Kingdom of God breaking into this world.

The second thing is for all the gain that Christianity brings there is a cost to it. There is no way we can bypass that cost if we want to hold to a true expression of faith. That cost will mean different things to different people.

As we walk our life of faith do we recognise and face up to the cost to me of being a Christian, is there something I have been avoiding that is holding me back from drawing closer to Jesus Christ?

Sundays @ Trinity

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4 th March 2018	8.45am	Peter Holwell <i>Communion</i>
	10.30am	Peter Holwell
	4.00pm	Rooted
	6.00pm	Connect – Lent 3 <i>Peter Waugh & Peter Holwell</i>
11 th March 2018	10.30am	David Herbert
	6.00pm	Connect - Lent 4 <i>Peter Holwell</i>



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