

The Link Magazine

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MINISTER'S LETTER

The Church - A Body of Service

"The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45NLT)

There are many images in the Bible describing the nature of the church. In the top three is the concept of the church as a body, each member contributing their gifts in mutual service. Hans Kung (*The Church, New York, Doubleday, 1967*) concurs with Paul Minear (*Images of the Church in New Testament, Philadelphia, Westminster, 1960*) on the top three. "The Body of Christ" is the most integrating and dominant image of the church in the New Testament. The most praise-worthy aspect of this concept is that of each member contributing their gifts and talents for the common good in serving others. In developing this concept, Kenneth Boa (*Conformed to His Image: Biblical and Practical Approaches to Spiritual Formation, Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2001*) observes that in the imagery metaphor of church as a body "---- being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies. Just as the cells serve the body, so the body through its vascular capillary system nourishes and sustains the cells. The church is a dynamic and synergistic community in which the total is greater than the sum of its parts."

When the church functions as God intended, it is the greatest, the richest and wealthiest enterprise in the world. This is demonstrated by the Early Church in Acts 2:42-47, when the early disciples all lived in total koinonia (in material and spiritual fellowship). Every gift, talent and material possession each Christian has is bequeathed by God for the common good and for the building of the body of Christ, the Church, thus demonstrating the *Abraham Covenant* - blessed to be a blessing to others (*Genesis 12:3*). When the church functions as body, each contributing their talents, it reverses the **20/80 rule** found in some organizations, where 20% of the people do 80% of the work and in some cases we have even **10/90 rule!**

A story is told about four people named: **Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody**. There was an important job to be done and **Everybody** was sure that **Somebody** would do it. **Anybody** could have done it, but **Nobody** did it. **Somebody** got

angry about that because it was **Everybody's** job. **Everybody** thought that **Anybody** could do it, but **Nobody** realized that **Everybody** wouldn't do it. It ended up that **Everybody** blamed **Somebody** when **Nobody** did what **Anybody** could have done. It ended up that what was perceived to be everybody's job was nobody's job!

The season of Lent leading to Easter is the time when we focus on the vicarious death and resurrection of Christ and eternal life made possible through His sacrifice. This occurs in the spring when, tulips, daffodils, crocuses burst into life from the death of frozen winter. Other forms of life spring up from dead seeds in the ground. The springtime spells Sacrifice and Service in synergy. Jesus said he came to serve and give his life as a ransom for many. The word ransom has a unique meaning here. It means to pay what is owed, referring to atonement. The beloved disciple John exalts us thus: "This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down His life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers." (1 John 3:16)

I wish you all, HAPPY EASTER.

Daniel.

APPEAL FOR NEW STEWARDS

As a group of stewards we have enjoyed working together but now it is really time for some of us to retire. We are looking for church members to relieve some of us and take over what is a rewarding and interesting job. Please give this situation careful consideration. If you feel that being a steward is something that you might be interested in please have a word with one of us and we will tell you what is involved. It really isn't all that difficult!

Perhaps you have already done the job in the past but feel that you could help out for a short time , say a year. Please give this situation prayerful consideration.

Ruth & Jan – joint senior stewards

PASTORAL SECRETARY NEEDED

I will be stepping down as Pastoral Secretary from September this year as I will be Senior Steward and will be unable to fulfil both rolls. Below is a "Job Description" Anyone wishing for more details can talk to me or Daniel. Thank you.

Val Faint.

The job description is shown on the opposite page. Ed.

Pastoral Secretary Job description:

- To keep lists, securely, of all church members, non-members, co-ordinators and visitors.
- Be informed of illness or distress among the congregation, and then liaise with Minister.
- Organise cards for Easter, Harvest and Christmas with service details
- Hold 2 meetings of pastoral visitors a year.
- Inform those who take out flowers after the service who would benefit from receiving them

'There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men.' (1 Cor. 12: 4-6). Perhaps role will fit someone? Ed.

PRAYER FOR CHANGE

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Matthew 28:16-20

Then the eleven disciples left for Galilee, going to the mountain where Jesus had said they would find him. There they met him and worshiped him—but some of them weren't sure it really was Jesus!

He told his disciples,

"I have been given all authority in heaven and earth. Therefore go and make disciples in all the nations, baptising them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and then teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you; and be sure of this—that I am with you always, even to the end of the world."

As we look towards celebrating the coming of the Holy Spirit let us take time to focus on what receiving the Holy Spirit into our lives can enable, empower us to do, to be.

Make five minutes of quiet, alone or with someone else. Read the short passage from Matthew out loud. It is the Great Commission to us all. Maybe read it again. And then sit in the silence and listen for what God is saying to you through it today.

And then give thanks. **Amen**

WORSHIP IN APRIL**LIDGETT PARK**

2nd April	8.00 am	Revd Robert Creamer	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	10.30 am	Revd Peter Whittaker	
	6.30 pm	<i>Chapel Allerton Methodist Church</i>	
9th April	8.00 am	Revd Robert Creamer	<i>Holy Communion</i>
	10.30 am	Dr Richard Vautrey	
	6.30 pm	Revd Dr Daniel Mwailu	<i>Holy Communion</i>
13th April	7.30 pm	Revd Dr Daniel Mwailu	<i>Maundy Thursday Ecumenical Holy Communion</i>
14th April	10.30 am	Revd Dr Daniel Mwailu	<i>Good Friday</i>
16th April	6.00 am	Roundhay Park	<i>Easter Day</i>
	10.30 am	Revd Trevor Bates	<i>Holy Communion</i>
23rd April	10.30 am	Revd Dr Daniel Mwailu	
30th April	10.30 am	Mr Michael Prince	
	6.30 pm	<i>Ecumenical Service at St Edmund's Church</i>	

THORNER

2nd April	9.30 am	Revd Tevor Bates	
9th April	9.30 am	Mrs Mary Curl	
14th April	2.00 pm	Revd Andrew Nicholson	<i>Good Friday Ecumenical Service</i>
16th April	9.30 am	Revd Daniel Mwailu	<i>Easter Day Holy Communion</i>
23rd April	9.30 am	Mrs Patricia Davies	
30th April	9.30 am	Mrs Hazel Bantoft	



THORNER BROADSHEET

Our next Coffee morning at Thorner will take place on Saturday May 20th, 10-12noon in the TMC Social centre. This one is in aid of Martin House, Children's Hospice, so please support this event if you can. Our usual bacon butties will be served. A BIG thank you to all who came from Lidgett Park and supported our March coffee morning, it was wonderful to see you all !

Our Lent Group, which took place on March and April Monday mornings throughout Lent here in Thorner, was very well attended this year as last. We had people from the Methodist church, the Church of England, the Roman Catholic church and also a Quaker at every session. We've had around ten or more people each week and all have thought the course to be worthwhile and thought provoking. Once again it was a York course, this year entitled 'Receiving Christ in five different ways.' Written by Rev'd Dr John Young with the Bishop of Leeds, the Right Rev'd Nick Baines contributing to the course studies; it has been excellent. There are a few copies left from the course and I'll leave them in the Circuit Office for those who might like a copy. Just ask Christine about them.

Spring is here at last, and we see the sign of new life all around us as we celebrate Easter. For after Good Friday comes Easter Day! This is our Faith! Out of the darkness comes the Light! Let us never be afraid to declare it. He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! A Happy and Blessed Eastertide to you all from everyone here at Thorner Methodist Church!

Ann Johnson Senior Church Steward

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THORNER CHURCH Fund Raising Events Programme for 2017 (all Saturday events)

Date	Time	Event
May 20th	10-12 noon	Martin House
July 1st	10-12 noon	Summer Fayre TMC Funds
Sept 16th	10-12 noon	St Gemma's Hospice
Nov 18th	10-12 noon	Christmas Fayre TMC Funds

A THOUGHT TO PONDER

The good neighbour looks beyond the external accidents and discerns those inner qualities that make all people human, and therefore brothers and sisters.

Martin Luther King

FLOWERS – A MEDITATION

Many flowers are *heliotropic*. In less fancy language, this means that they seek out the sun. They turn their faces upward, open their petals in the morning and follow the sun on its daily path. At night they close up shop until *their* sun-god arises the following morning.

If flowers are *heliotropic*, we might call ourselves *theotropic* or, in less fancy language, seekers after God (however we wish to define that word). We turn our faces outward in search of our living God. And, since the kingdom of God is stated to be *within us*, this may mean seeking an Inner Light.

Of course we human beings often direct our search for satisfaction toward a thousand goals. One person chases money. Another obtains thrills from drugs. A third makes a god out of success and spends long hours at the office. A fourth takes off on a pleasure yacht with little thought for those left on shore. Man's inhumanity to man is legendary, as is our propensity to worship golden calves. And **our** golden calves are simply a reflection of those things which are important to us – ***our pearls of great price***.

But whether we take drugs, overstuff our faces with food, chase after money, or whatever, aren't we just seeking some form of ***fulfilment***, that will somehow fill us as full as the flower is by the sun's warming and energising rays? But often, as we know, the result is ***not*** fulfilment but distress and disillusionment.

I wrote earlier that we were theotropic. But I didn't say that we were good at it. Put a flower in an artificially lit environment and you can disorder its heliotropic reactions. So too with us. We have become enamoured of the artificial lights that we turn on such as material wealth, drugs and power. We inhabit cities that are like fluorescent hothouses, but most of us rarely feel fulfilled.

So different, however, is our relationship to the light of the Spirit. This is not a light we make ourselves, nor can we command it with the flick of a switch. All we can do is open our petals; and wait; and follow where we are guided. Sometimes we seem to sit in darkness for a long time, but let us always remain confident – the sun will rise; the day does come; and we ***will*** be fed with Light.

Gerry Leake

MORE THOUGHTS ON NEIGHBOURS

Jesus is not interested in universal, theoretical or poetical love.... It is a love, not of people in general, or someone remote with whom we are not personally involved, but quite concretely love of one's immediate neighbour.....anyone who wants me here and now. ***Hans Kung***

THE ONE THE REVIEWERS MISSED.

Half Term in February means only one thing...Pantomime.

This season's production was Cinderella, performed by the Lidgett Park Drama Group in their own inimitable style. The usual suspects were all there, with several "extras". The costumes were superb, the scenery magnificent, and the jokes as corny as ever. There was no "Buttons" in this production, but we had instead, the dancing cow last seen in Jack and the beanstalk. The panto raced along at breakneck speed with so many *ad libs* that the prompter might just as well have stayed at home. The audience were swept along and joined in whole heartedly with the singing, the cheering and the booing. Pat Brooke and Ian Russell are brilliant at audience participation. They even had a member of the audience giving frequent accurate time checks. Irving Theaker is to be congratulated on another success.

Malcolm Speed.



A MEETING FAR FROM HOME

A conversation with Jan Rippin at the Saturday coffee morning in January led us on an unexpected journey. When Jan discovered that two weeks later we were going to Myanmar she told me that her father, who died in World War II, was buried there. I asked his name and it struck something of a chord in my memory. On Sunday morning I climbed up on a chair in the chancel to look closely at the inscription on one of the stained-glass windows. My inkling was correct – it was Jan's father Joseph Eric Stephenson.

A little bit of Internet research that evening revealed that Eric Stevenson was buried in the Taukkyan War cemetery which is about 20 miles north of the capital Yangon. However, there was so much more easily discoverable online about this remarkable man including about his time in the army where the leadership and bravery he showed were outstanding.

Checking our itinerary which started in Yangon, I realised we were due to visit the Hlawga nature reserve only a few miles away from Taukkyan.



On day 2 of our trip at 6 AM (I thought our guide Lay Win was joking about the start time but he wasn't!) we set off for the nature reserve. Several hours later Lay Win was happy for the group to stop at Taukkyan on the way back into the city. This is a cemetery which is beautifully maintained by the Commonwealth War Graves Commission and contains the graves of 6374 servicemen who died in what was then

Burma. The CWGC has gone to great lengths to bring together the remains of the soldiers from all over Burma so that their graves can be appropriately looked after. There is also a wall inscribed with the names of over 27,000 other servicemen who died in the conflict in Burma.



Jan had confirmed for me the information from the CWGC website of exactly where her father was buried in the cemetery and we entered there armed with a map from the website.

There is no visible numbering so without the

map we would have found it difficult

Our guide had warned us that by 11 AM it would be very hot and indeed it was. It's a large open site and immediately it struck me that every headstone is identical

irrespective of the person's nationality, religion or rank. That, in itself, was quite moving. Equipped with the map we found the headstone for Joseph Eric Stephenson. Beautifully maintained and every headstone had a small shrub adjacent to it – no easy task to grow them in that heat.

It turned out to be quite an emotional experience for those of the group who had joined us in the cemetery realising that each of these men who have died in Burma, so far from home for most of them, were people's loved ones. Standing in front of one of the over 6000 graves where you know a family member somehow makes the situation even more poignant.



The grave of Major J.E. Stephenson

Our lives are marked by people who influence and affect us. I expect that there will be people at Lidgett Park who remember Eric Stephenson but in this brief encounter he has affected the lives of others who did not know him. It has tempted me to find out more about the other people commemorated in the windows. Can anyone start me off?

And on a slightly lighter note I ask the question – how many of the people interested in football coming into Lidgett Park know that we have a window dedicated to a Leeds United and England football player? You just don't know what a conversation at the coffee morning will lead to.

Sue Wittrick

A BUDDHIST PARABLE

A man wanted to flee from his terrifying land to a place of peace, happiness and love, so he built a raft to get across the river. After telling the story, the Buddha asked those listening whether it would be proper for the man to strap the raft on his back in the new land and be burdened with carrying it, or whether he should moor it by the bank and be unencumbered? The teaching of the parable? The raft (Theology) is the teaching/way that gets us where we want to go. But it is not something we must cling to as eternal truth for all time.

Taken from :- Val Webb. *Testing Tradition And Liberating Theology* (p 24). Wipf and Stock. 2015. ISBN 978 14982 24222

With thanks to Gerry Leake for this. Ed.

PROJECT GROUP—DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Events to look out for:

Concert Friday May 5th, Castleford Young Musicians

Art Exhibition and refreshments Saturday June 17th

Swing Dance Saturday July 8th @Queen's Hall, Immaculate Heart of Mary

See also below for an event by LAS, one of our sponsored charites.

Jan Rippin (on behalf of the project committee).

SHADWELL METHODIST CHURCH

CAFÉ MORNING

10.00– 12.30 am

Dates and specialities as follows:

18th April Cake selection

16th May Toasties

20th June Cake selection

18th July Bacon Butties

THORNER WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP @

2.00 PM. All Welcome

Wed April 12th Mr David & Mrs Sharon Donaldson

Wed April 26th Mrs Pauline O'Melia

LIDGETT PARK LADIES' GROUP

Meetings are held in the Community Hall on alternate Thursday evenings at 7.45 pm. Companionship, Speakers and refreshments provided for a very small fee. All Ladies welcome to join us.

6th April Ann Withers "My Life in Crime". Not quite what you would expect. Come along and find out all about it.

20th April Noel Maroney "Yarns from the Textile Trade". Noel was ill last time we booked him, but he did find us an excellent replacement. Now we'll hear his story.

Secretaries Lynne and Anne.

WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY

Leeds Civic Hall 3rd April 9.30 am—3.00 pm.

Speakers Anna Kennedy OBE and Janine Booth.

Organised by Leeds Autism Services.

QUIZ: THE BOOK, THE BARD AND BLUE SUEDE SHOES (answers on page 35)

As a penance for being pedantic about Elvis in the recent quiz I thought I should produce a quiz relating to him, The Bible and Will Shakespeare. So below are five biblical quotes, five from the pen of the Bard and five from songs recorded by the King. See if you can sort out where each quote comes from.

As Willy and the King James Bible were more or less contemporaneous and the writers of pop songs came several centuries later I have (or hath) taken the liberty of modifying the lyrics of the songs in some cases.

1. The flowery way that leads to the broad gate and the great fire
2. Out there in the dark there be a beckoning candle
3. A man's foes shall be they of his household
4. Rise up my love, my fair one, and come away. For lo winter is past
5. In a false quarrel, there is no true valour
6. But all my trials Lord will soon be over
7. Wise men say only fools rush in
8. The ears are senseless that should give us hearing
9. Roses have thorns and silver fountains mud
10. They were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions
11. Thou still can find some room for broken hearted lovers
12. God is in heaven and thou upon earth therefore let thy words be few
13. Hung be the heavens with black, yield day to night
14. Of whom the world was not worthy
15. As sure as God made the day and the night what thou dost in the dark will be brought to the light

A PERSONAL VIEW

There is much in this issue of the Link about the need to fill vacancies, for example, as stewards, on Church Council, as Pastoral Secretary etc. but I think that it is wrong to allow this to become something that dominates our thinking. There is a danger that this will simply lead to feelings of hopelessness and loss of morale. While it is undoubtedly true that some members are more active in church affairs than others, I don't subscribe to the view that 80% or more of the church membership is either lazy or indifferent. Many people in our congregation are limited by factors such as age, ill health, work and family commitments, as well as work for other organisations.

The reports to the Church Annual Meeting in this issue of the magazine, and also the list of office holders at the back, give a flavour of the many and varied things that form part of the life of the Church, but they are by no means complete. Things that come to

my mind, which are not mentioned, are all the people who organize and run the very successful Saturday coffee mornings, the people who help keep the grounds of the church neat and tidy, the people who help with the car rotas, provide the coffee after morning worship, unlock and lock up the buildings every day, provide the music we enjoy (David, the Lidgett Singers, the church band). There are the individual pastoral visitors who provide much practical help and support to members, the people who make the various charity fund raising events that the church is proud of actually happen and all the people who contribute to our Sunday worship, attend the house groups and support the Thursday morning worship. There are also the people who support the wider circuit, for example, as stewards and circuit officers and local preachers. I have no doubt others could add to this list.

If a role is difficult to fill then I think we should start by asking the question why? What is it about the role that people find difficult? Are all the components of the role really necessary or could some be dispensed with? Why are people reluctant to become members of Church Council? Is it because they don't find it a particularly effective body? Does the Council need all the members it has or would it be more effective if it were smaller? Are we asking the church membership to do too much or should we, for example, be looking again at purchasing some form of caretaking and maintenance function? What are we asking the stewards to do and are all those functions really necessary?

This is not meant to be a negative view. I am simply making the point that if we are finding it difficult to run the organization in the traditional way then, rather than flog a willing horse, it might make more sense to look at the organization and see if it could be run differently, accepting that there may well be legal and constitutional restraints to some changes.

Stan Pearson

MORE THOUGHTS ON NEIGHBOURS

In everything, do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets. ***Matthew 7.12***

Each man can learn something from his neighbour; at least he can learn this – to have patience with his neighbour, to live and let live. ***Charles Kingsley***

We cannot be sure if we are loving God, although we may have good reasons for believing that we are, but we can know quite well if we are loving our neighbour.

St Teresa of Avila

As you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me (***Matt 25.40***).

REPORTS FOR CHURCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINISTER'S REPORT

MAINTENANCE

Since last General Church Meeting, a lot of time has been occupied with thinking through and sorting out priorities from the suggestions given for the five-year plan. After some impromptu meetings with the stewards, it was felt that the best way forward was to form a think-tank chaired by Alan Wittrick, the report of which has appeared in a previous edition of the Link (December/January issue). The Front door entrance has also occupied some thinking and the suggestions have also appeared in the Link (December/January issue and see also project proposal in this issue). There have been improvements to the car-park entrance, where notice boards and the lit-cross have been put in place. Cushions and the lit cross were purchased using the legacy money as agreed in the last GCM.

MISSION

It was felt that a mid-week spiritual event was needed and a Quiet Time started running on Thursday mornings with communion on the last Thursday of the month. There is a regular attendance of around twelve people, who take it in turn to lead the meetings where there is no communion.

On arrival to this appointment need was expressed to make links with the various organizations using our premises and so I approached the Play group which responded positively, and I have been going in on Thursday mornings to read the children stories and play the guitar assisted by Hazel Pearce. The thinking was to expand this to involve other people in the junior church. This is going very well the children and the teachers look forward to meeting the minister every Thursday.

A request was made by the Junior Church to revamp the Sunday morning worship. Efforts have been ongoing. At least 4 children have been baptized in the course of the last year and one further baptism request was diverted to Chapel Allerton to comply with the date requested. This is an encouraging improvement since the last baptism took place nearly 4 years ago in 2013. It is envisaged that through these baptisms we will revitalise the Junior Church in due course. Two new members have also been welcomed in our church.

The link to the local community has remained strong mainly via lettings, musical concerts and special events. The drama group has remained a special attraction for the local community. As part of our outreach into the community, knit angels were distributed around Christmas to all the groups and over 300 children who use our

premises received one. Thanks to Val Faint who organized it with the various groups and also to her group of knitters who knitted the angels. As a result of this, the Crib Service on Christmas Eve was very well attended; it was felt that the outreach went well.

Home Communion have been delivered to the housebound and also to Gledhow Christian Nursing Home. A new request to take regular communion to Elmwood Nursing Home is under negotiation with the management of the home.

The circuit has agreed to focus on Evangelism in the next two years and suggested some courses. I have had conversations with the vicar at St Edmund's to try and host some form of outreach courses jointly.

Since last GCM I have had an added work load covering Rev Mark Harwood's section during his Sabbatical (June - July 2016) and this year I am covering Rev Palo's section (Alwoodley; Chapel Allerton and Shadwell) in the months of April - June.

ECUMENICAL LINKS

These have continued well. For most of the year the URC and St Edmunds were in vacancy until St Edmunds received their new vicar in November, Rev Nigel Wright.

During the course of the year, I have chaired the (CTR) Churches Together in Roundhay meetings and continue to do so this year. A shared Youth Worker Project by CTR has been put in abeyance until this September. I suggested sharing the Methodist Covenant Service during our annual CTR and this was well received. I also suggested the York Lent Course for CTR hosted in our church and led jointly with Rev Nigel Wright of St Edmunds. Nigel is keen to work ecumenically.

Daniel

STEWARDS' REPORT

This year we have worked well together as a team of six stewards and have been grateful to ex-stewards who have helped out when needed, particularly over the Christmas period. The year has been varied and interesting as we have tried to respond to the needs of the whole church, keeping regular worship running smoothly, looking at some of the challenging ideas brought up by the Five-Year Plan, keeping ourselves informed on ecumenical and local initiatives and our own church committees and supporting Daniel in his ministry as he moved into his second year with us.

Betty and Jan are to step down after seven years as stewards. We are in need of replacements and so urge church members to give this matter careful and prayerful thought. If we have only three or four stewards it would be extremely difficult to continue so we would be asking if we could get a "bank" of people who might be prepared to do a Sunday duty every six to eight weeks (depending on how many volunteers we have).

We tried a new timing for Harvest "supper" by having a lunch time meal after the Harvest Service. This seemed to be very popular and was enjoyed by a good number of people. It also provided a way of introducing the new project. The Christmas services followed the usual format and were generally well attended, particularly the Carol Service and the Crib Service. The Gift Service money went to the MHA Care Home at Gledhow. Action For Children and Relief work in The Yemen (this was linked to Christian Aid) were supported by collections at Christmas services. Over the last few years numbers at the Christmas Midnight Communion have dwindled and it has been suggested that an ecumenical service might be possible. The Ecumenical Covenant Service was held at Lidgett this year and was well attended.

As a direct result of the Five Year Plan it was felt there was sufficient interest in having a mid-week quiet time. Marion Bright and Jan Rippln kindly offered to get this started. It is held in church on Thursday mornings at 10am and it has gone well so far with a regular attendance of between ten and thirteen members, each week being led by different people using a format which they choose. The last Thursday of the month is a communion service, usually led by Marion.

At the stewards' suggestion, the Church Council approved the ending of the evening service on the fourth Sunday when there are five Sundays in the month. Discussions are being held with Chapel Allerton about the future of the joint evening communion service at Lidgett on the second Sunday evening in the month.

As reported last year a small think tank was convened by Alan Wittrick to look at how to further the ideas brought up by "Five Year Plan" discussions. Alan produced a paper in which the group highlighted a way forward. This appeared in Dec/Jan Link after it had been presented to October Church Council where it was voted on and adopted. We would wish to draw the attention of the whole membership to this document, hoping that it will be widely supported. It is hoped that each group in church will consider how they might address and implement the vision statement. We are grateful

to Alan for his work on this.

As a result of discussions around the Five-Year Plan and in relation to the building a plan has been drawn up to make the front of the church more attractive and to include a toilet in that area. We extend our thanks to Graham Saunders and a small group who have spent much time in planning how to take this forward. The scheme was voted on and approved by October Church Council.

As stewards, we wish to thank everyone who has supported us this year in many practical ways as well as by prayer and thoughtful comments. There is a huge amount of work done quietly by many people, which goes unseen, in keeping the church open and a place of warmth, welcome and worship – just take a look at the rota lists in the foyer, think of the work of the pastoral visitors, property and finance committees, Junior Church, flower ladies and many more. It would be difficult to name everyone but we feel our special appreciation should go to David Wilks for his contribution to worship over the last 60 years.

Finally, our thanks go to Daniel for the work he has done in leading worship, in pastoral oversight and in organisational matters.

Ruth Albiges & Jan Sanders

MEMBERSHIP OF CHURCH COUNCIL—a call for new members

As well as those people who attend the meetings as a representative of their groups, ie Finance Committee, Property Committee etc. there are 15 spaces for people who would like to be a member of the Church Council. At the moment only 8 of these are taken up and I am writing to ask if any other Church Members would consider coming onto the Church Council. This is not an onerous responsibility and only involves 3 meetings a year in February, June and October. If you would consider becoming a member of the Church Council could you please have a word with Daniel or myself. This will be on the agenda for the General Church Meeting on 7 May Thank you.

Susan Philo secretary to Church Council

PASTORAL COMMITTEE

We have 25 people who regularly visit the Church members. Some of those visited do not attend church for many and varied reasons, but are glad of a visit. We would

welcome anyone who could volunteer to join our team.

During the year we lost 5 members of our “family”, and we have gained 4 new members and 2 families who attend when they can.

We held a short memorial service in October for anyone who has lost someone no matter how long ago. A “Thursday Quiet Time” has now started and is very valuable - all are welcome.

The Pastoral lists are now up to date.

Val Faint

LADIES GROUP REPORT

We regularly have 30 ladies attending meetings, which are held in the Community Hall every other Thursday evening at 7.45pm. We start with a hymn and a reading, sometimes a prayer.

We have varied speakers on all different subjects and we usually learn something new each week. This session, quite a lot of our speakers have donated their fee to charities of their choice.

In December we held a Carol Service which raised £350 for Mercy Ships. This was doubled (by them through an anonymous donor) to £700

Any lady who wishes to join a meeting will be very welcome

Val Faint

SIMPLY STITCHING

We are a needle-friendly group of church members and colleagues who meet monthly to sew, knit or crochet, exchange ideas and enjoy a cup of tea between talking! Some of the finished work helps to stock a stand at the Christmas Coffee Morning. Do come along—you will be made very welcome.

Audrey Gabbitas.

LIDGETT PARK CHURCH PROJECT GROUP

The current year’s commitment to our charities began with the Stewards Harvest Lunch on Sunday 25 September when we were joined by Karl and Michael and supporters from the Leeds Autism Service. Michael and Karl talked to us about the work of LAS.

Two concerts were held in the autumn. On November 6 the Free Range Choir with Clive Barratt gave a moving presentation of songs and stories of Courage and Conscience at the time of the First World War. Many of us found we were hearing new and significant information and were touched by the bravery of these people and glad that knowledge of their cause was celebrated in this way. Lidgett Methodists are always glad to host this choir.

Similarly, we looked forward to the Christmas Concert on Tuesday 20 December given by the Wendell Singers and the YEP Brass Ensemble. This concert is a happily anticipated part of our Christmas celebrations and, as before, the church was almost full.

We continued our events with the Italian Evening on Saturday 11 March when a delicious dinner was prepared by Haydon Dalton and the diners enjoyed lovely Italian music performed by David Wilks and Howard Clinkard.

The project group hope that you will also support all our Summer events for which details and tickets will soon be available. These are detailed in the notices in this issue of the Link.

To date nearly £5000 has been raised for our two charities, Christian Aid and LAS. Can we double that by September? The project group are very grateful that our church community is so responsive and supportive of various events in addition to the monthly Saturday coffee mornings. **Thank you.**

Jan Rippin on behalf of the Project Committee

REPORT FROM CHURCHES TOGETHER IN ROUNDHAY

Churches Together in Roundhay have continued to meet regularly. The Collation and Induction of the Rev. Nigel Wright as vicar of St Edmund's took place at the end of October. A number of people from Lidgett attended the service and were warmly welcomed by the congregation there.

A Christmas message from all the churches was placed in North Leeds Life as in 2015.

Christian Aid Week raised £6267.80 and the Christian Aid Lunches in each of the churches are taking place each month at the moment. These are wonderful opportunities to raise money but also to share stories with our friends from other churches.

Lidgett Park and St Edmund's had agreed to join St Andrew's in looking for a Youth Worker. A suitable person has not yet been found so the discussions are on hold at

the moment.

The Annual Covenant Service took place at Lidgett on 22nd January. United Ecumenical services are still taking place on the last Sunday of each month. These vary in style and content but are not as well attended as we would like. There will be a United Service on Maundy Thursday at Lidgett, the Walk of Witness on Good Friday and the Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday.

St Andrew's have already hosted some guests through the WYDAN project (West Yorkshire Destitute Asylum Seekers Network) and St Edmund's plan to do the same. Members of Lidgett are also involved in this through entertaining and cooking for the guests.

During Lent there will be Ecumenical Lent Study groups at Lidgett on each Tuesday in Lent at 7.30 p.m. We will be following the York Course and the sessions will be led by Daniel and Nigel. We hope these will be well supported.

Barbara Belsham

SAFEGUARDING GROUP REPORT. *February 2017.*

Following a delay in beginning to address properly Safeguarding issues due to ill-health etc., we are pleased that the group is now working on bringing Lidgett up to date with necessary Safeguarding measures.

Following the agreement of Church Council, we have ensured that all people in roles deemed to warrant DBS checks, have now been cleared. We have been very grateful for the co-operation of all involved and for their understanding of the need to go through this process.

The Circuit is now offering training in Safeguarding Awareness and some of our members have very recently completed this and found it to be both useful and thought-provoking. More courses will take place shortly and later on in the year. People who need to attend this will have received an invitation to join one of the courses. We do urge anyone who has not yet contacted the Circuit Office to book a place, to do so as soon as possible.

The Safeguarding Policy is updated each year and the most recent can be found on the Safeguarding Notice Board in the foyer. All groups who hire our premises are given a copy of this as well as, in some cases (eg the After School Club) operating their own.

Part of the role of the Safeguarding Group is to keep records of both DBS certificate numbers and training completed. We would be very grateful if you could let one of us

know when you complete training in the future.

It is sometimes felt that there is too much checking of people's backgrounds and that things such as DBS checks are an intrusion into an individual's privacy. As a Church, we have a duty to protect, as far as we possibly can, those within our community. By adhering to both legal obligations and good practice, not only are we helping to protect those in our care, but also ourselves.

If anyone has a query about any Safeguarding issues, please speak to one of us or Daniel. Thank you.

Peter Bennett, Judith Clinkard – Children

Margaret Farrar – Adults.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

There has been a disappointingly low attendance at 8am. communion during Lent but we are continuing it again this year as we have little quiet reflective worship now at Lidgett Park. Because of this it is good to note that a led Quiet Time has begun every Thursday at 10am. until 10.30am. This is followed by coffee for those who wish to stay. The church is open from 9.30am. for anyone to come and spend time in church. On Thursday mornings Daniel is available at church, if anyone wishes to see him.

Harewood Church closed in September with a Harvest Festival service. The chapel was crowded for this service, which was led by the Vicar of Collingham and Harewood. It was an excellent service and much appreciated by all who attended. This now gives Daniel more free time, which is helpful as he is covering for Palo during his Sabbatical in April, May and June 2017.

Because of small attendances at evening services, there will be no evening service at Lidgett Park on the 4th Sunday in the month, when there are 5 Sundays in the month. So the normal practice now is: 1st Sunday at Chapel Allerton; 2nd Sunday communion at Lidgett Park; 3rd Sunday circuit service; **last Sunday ecumenical**. When there are 5 Sundays in the month there will be no evening service on the 4th Sunday as the ecumenical will continue to be on the last Sunday. So the only regular evening service at Lidgett Park is the communion service on the 2nd Sunday.

The Harvest lunch after the Harvest Festival service was very successful and will be repeated again this year.

No doubt you will all remember the knitted angels, which so many of us were involved

in at Val Faint's suggestion. This was very successful and all the children's groups, who use our premises, were invited to come into church to see the Christmas decorations and choose an angel to take home. The children and their leaders were delighted and some families joined us on Christmas Eve at the 4.30pm. service. Many members of the congregation joined us for this Christmas Eve celebration.

The 3 churches in Roundhay have been unsuccessful in appointing an ecumenical youth leader but are still hoping to do so eventually.

Daniel will lead us in an ecumenical study group at Lidgett Park during Lent and we hope many will join together for this as part of our Lenten discipline.

Many of you may know that Andrew Atkins is leaving circuit ministry in July 2017 but we are hoping that he will come to lead one of our services sometime after September. The Worship Committee would like to express our appreciation of all those who enrich our worship. The contribution from our preachers, organist, flower arrangers, Junior church leaders and church and door stewards are clearly seen but many more work behind the scenes. There are those who keep our accounts up to date, those who take flowers out to those who need special good wishes from a friendly visitor. There are the ones who offer transport to those who need it, those who transport our gifts to the Foodbank, ones who serve coffee and wash up and the ones who set up the rooms, ensuring the heating comes on at the right time. As we thank these people I am aware that there may be others I have missed but it is good to take time to thank them all.

Patricia Davies May 2017

JOINT LIDGETT AND SHADWELL HOUSE GROUP

The house group is now in its 5th year. We have a membership of 16 people drawn more or less equally from the two churches. Not everyone can make every meeting but we usually have 10 or more people. We meet every two weeks on Thursday evenings at Shadwell Methodist Church, alternating the date with the Lidgett Park Ladies Group.

We began by concentrating on bible study and have covered all four gospels, Acts and Paul's letters to Romans, 1 & 2 Corinthians, as well as selected parts of the Old Testament. However, more recently we have begun to examine core Christian beliefs with the help of books written by mainstream theologians. Recently we used Rowan Williams' book, ***Being Christian***, with sections on Baptism, the Bible, the Eucharist and Prayer. Currently, as we enter Lent, we are using two small books, ***Why did Jesus***

have to Die? by Jane Williams and ***Why believe in Jesus' Resurrection?*** By James Dunn.

Our discussions range widely and often move onto different topics from the one we started with! But that is part of the attraction. As a group we have come to know one another well and this has allowed people to share their doubts and uncertainties, something which is of benefit to us all. The decision to make the group a joint one between Lidgett and Shadwell has proved to be a good one. It was made at a time when we shared our minister and it has forged important links between the churches. Although we now share our minister with Thorner rather than Shadwell, the link with Shadwell remains strong and the house group continues.

Stan Pearson

DRAMA GROUP REPORT

We have done three sets of performances this year, beginning in September with a thriller *Prescription For Murder* by Norman Robbins. We all agreed that this was the most difficult play we have learnt. We were gratified to receive a letter from the author thanking us for performing his play and our audiences seemed to enjoy it. We then revived Irving's play *Murder At The Mansion*. We always enjoy these murder mysteries and love visiting different venues. This year we added Horbury, St. Mary's Beeston and Clifford to our list and also raised money for charities and church funds. We have just finished our annual pantomime, Cinderella. It was great fun and we could not have managed without help from many people who worked behind the scenes making costumes, props, scenery and effects. In May, we are hoping to perform three or four short plays- so see the next Link for more details.

Carol Russell

PROPOSED CHURCH PROJECT 2017/18

The Church Council at its October meeting agreed to support in principle a scheme to improve the main entrance to the Church (the Lidgett Place entrance). An architect had drawn up a possible scheme and an outline of our thinking together with the reasons for doing this work was included in an article in the December/January Link Magazine. Briefly the scheme involves replacing the three sets of solid doors on the

Lidgett Place entrance with glazed doors in the centre and glazed windows to the sides, removing the first screen to open up the front lobby and allow a view into the church from the outside and to provide two toilets on the left-hand side of the lobby. The overall cost is likely to be between £40,000 and £50,000. The scheme has been registered on the Methodist Church web site and discussions have started with the Methodist Church conservation officer. Our Church is a grade II listed building and we need Connexional approval before any scheme can go ahead.

Church Council also agreed to the exploring and submission of appropriate grant applications. What is already clear is that we will not be successful with any grant applications unless we can show how we plan to raise money ourselves. The last major scheme to improve the church building was the 'Room for All Scheme' in 2009 when we raised over £30,000 through church fund raising efforts. This was supplemented by personal donations from church members and grants from Methodist and other charitable trusts. Since 2009 the Church Projects each year have been in support of local or international causes. If the church as a whole wants to go ahead with the improvements to the main entrance, and this is what the church council has agreed, then I suggest that the best way to organise church fund raising efforts is to make the improvements to the main entrance the church project for 2017/2018. This would allow grant applications to be submitted.

Graham Saunders

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

St. Andrew's church hosted the Womens' World Day of Prayer service on Friday March 3rd.

As a group, St Andrew's, St Edmund's, and Lidgett Park take turns each year to host the service, with members of each church taking part, so grateful thanks to our three readers and to those who were part of the congregation.

We gained an insight into the problems of life in the Philippines and the practical value of Christian organisations. Young people from St Andrews presented a dramatised passage from the Bible and sang and danced, a real asset to the service.

Next year Lidgett Park will be hosts, so be prepared to join in!

Pat Nolan

REPORT OF THE CHURCH FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee oversees the finances of the Church on behalf of the Church Council. The day to day management of the Church's money is dealt with by the Church Treasurer and Treasurer's Assistant. A summary of the Annual Church Accounts for the 2015/16 financial year is set out below.

The income to support the work of the Church in the last financial year was about £110,000. Of this, £57,400 came from giving by church members (church collections), £14,800 from gift aid tax refunds, £31,500 from the letting of rooms on the church premises and £5,700 from donations, special collections and other sources. Giving by Church members (church collections) was lower than last year but this was offset by an increase in room lettings income. We need to keep a balance between our own giving and letting income. Both are subject to change when we lose church members or a regular property letting.

The cost of supporting the work of the church and the church buildings was also £110,000 so we broke even. The largest cost, £61,000, was our contribution to the circuit for ministers' salaries and the cost of the Manses. The cost of heating, lighting, cleaning and maintaining the church buildings was £29,000 with a further £3000 put into the property reserve fund. We gave £9000 to mainly Methodist charities from the general church income, £4000 from special collections for external organisations and an additional sum of over £10,000 specially raised for the church project. We give away approaching 20% of the money we raise through regular giving, room lettings, and special collections and fundraising

The financial management of the church would not be possible without the time given by the Treasurer (Alan Wittrick) the Treasurer's Assistant (Jackie Bennett) the Gift Aid Secretary (Garth White,) those church members who count the collection each Sunday and the secretary (Joyce White) and members of the finance committee and not forgetting Jackie Bennett and Patricia Davies who manage the room lettings and make sure that we get paid. We owe a big thank you to all of them,

Graham Saunders Chairman

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

The figures below are a summary from the annual accounts for the year to 31 August 2016. A full set of accounts is available from the Treasurer.

Year to 31 August 2016		
GENERAL FUND	15/16	14/15
INCOME	£	£
Offerings including gift aid reclaims	72,134	75,242
Property lettings	31,478	30,197
Other income	5,724	4,533
Total Income	109,336	109,972
EXPENDITURE		
Circuit assessment	61,000	60,000
Repairs and maintenance	2,806	9,148
Church running costs	26,175	26,461
Grants and donations	9,000	8,950
Other expenditure	7,625	3,617
Total Expenditure	106,606	108,176
Income less expenditure	2,730	1,796
Transfer to property repair fund	-2,750	
Opening balance of General Fund	27,457	25,661
Closing balance of General Fund	27,437	27,457

In addition to the above the church had special collections amounting to £3,898 which were passed on to the relevant charity

	15/16	14/15
	£	£
MAJOR PROPERTY REPAIR FUND		
Opening balance of Property Repair Fund	10,910	2,098
Transfer from general fund	2,750	
Feed in tariff income	792	909
VAT reclaims	1,543	7,903
Net cost of roof repairs and blocked drains	-10,703	
Closing balance of fund	5,292	10,910
PROJECT FUND		
Opening balance of fund	10,272	
Net income received	12,406	10,272
Grant to Oxford place childrens centre	-10,272	
Closing balance of fund	12,406	10,272
(For CAP and Christian aid)		
NEW PORCH FUND		
Legacy received	150	
Rent arrears allocated to fund	1,700	
Professional fees expended	-497	
Closing balance	1,353	

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 AUGUST 2016

	15/16	14/15
	£	£
General Fund	27,437	27,457
Property Repair Fund	5,292	10,910
Project fund	12,406	10,272
Porch fund	1,353	0
	46,488	48,639
Represented by:		
Cash	75	75
Yorkshire Bank Current Account	19,994	26,179
CFB General deposit Account	1,436	1,406
Debtors/prepayments	26,334	22,671
less Creditors/accruals	-1,351	-1,692
	46,488	48,639

In addition the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP) held £11,795 being the amount of unspent legacies and accrued interest at 31 August 2016 £6000 of this was earmarked to be spent on pew cushions.

ACTION FOR CHILDREN (NCH)

Collections and donations received over Christmas period were £61.60p for Diaries and Christmas cards, £332.80p for collection at Carol Service on 18th December and £555.08p from Home Collection Boxes. Thanks to all for your generous support Action for Children have moved their regional offices to Suite 8 Conyngham Hall, Knaresborough, HG5 9AY (www.actionforchildren.org.uk).

Anyone interested in having a Home Collection box or further information about Action for Children's work see **Peter Bennett**.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The Property Committee carries responsibility for ensuring the maintenance of the fabric of the Church and all the associated buildings. It has been ably led for a considerable number of years by Andrew Benson and he is sadly missed in a large number of ways.

What is known as the 'Quinquennial Inspection' of all the church buildings was carried out by a qualified Architect at the end of 2015 which identified work that needs to be

carried out on the church buildings over the next five years. The property committee has given priority to sorting out problems on the roofs, a major leak, repairing cracked slates, and clearing and repairing some of the gutters. This involved scaffolding and roofing contractors and an insurance claim. There is further work identified in the report and the committee are planning how and when this is carried out. Overall the report shows that the Church and the associated property is in good condition.

There is work that needs to be done on the Church tower and Lidgett Place entrance. This will be incorporated in the scheme to improve the Lidgett Place entrance to the Church if it goes ahead. Otherwise it will have to be organised by the property committee.

Members of the property committee (with some assistance from other church members) carry out a wide range of tasks themselves, minor repairs, boiler checks, meter readings, and gardening and ground maintenance. We would welcome more help from church members on the 'working party days'. Without the help and commitment of property committee members, the quality of the fabric and the site would soon start to deteriorate. We are grateful for all they do.

Graham Saunders Chairman

CHURCH FLOWERS

Arranging

Flowers have a language of their own (red rose – pure love; White Lily – Purity; Sunflower – pure and lofty thoughts, etc.), and whilst the flower arrangers might sometimes have these in mind, mostly they arrange flowers according to what is in season, requested colour by the sponsors and sometimes, just what we can get for the money.

Whatever the reason, there are 10 of us who really do enjoy spending anything from between one and three hours creating arrangements to brighten up the worship in our church. At a minimum, we usually make up three arrangements, the main one below the pulpit, one at the foyer door, and a smaller one at the front door (usually feeling lonely and unloved as not many members come in by the front door, or make the effort to go out and see it).

This last year, we had the second "Flower Festival" where our usual ladies were augmented by others from St. Andrews and St Edmunds in making arrangements on

the theme of “The World in Flowers”; and those who came will remember the tray flags designed by the youth groups who use our church. A success, not only raising funds for the project, but also fun for those of us who were able to let our imaginations run riot – and it was a riot of colour.

We also make special efforts for the three main festivals within the Church calendar when we work together as a team to brighten the church and, hopefully, add to the Service. Even for the more sombre Remembrance Service, we try to ensure that the flower arrangements add to the commemorative nature of the Service.

We know from the many comments that are made that the flowers are much appreciated and this is welcomed by the arrangers, as we feel we are contributing to worship within our church.

If you just wish to sponsor the flowers, just sign up on the Sponsor List in the foyer. Cost? well of course prices do vary through the year (14th February and Mothering Sunday are always expensive), but probably we are getting to the point where we need £25 to complete a full set of arrangements, but any sponsorship is acceptable, and welcome – see Margaret Lee.

Distribution

Whilst it might seem like a lot of work arranging flowers for just the one service on a Sunday, brightening up the church is not the end of the story, as after the final Sunday service there is team of ladies who then dismantle the arrangements, make into smaller bouquets and deliver to church members, who can then continue to enjoy the flowers in their own homes for the next week or so.

It is not only members who are sick to whom the flowers are distributed, but can be for any other good reason – to celebrate a birth, significant wedding anniversary etc. Your recommendations for recipients are always welcome .

Volunteers to help out in this task – on as many Sunday/Mondays as you feel able to commit to – are always welcome, just speak to Margaret Leake. *Doreen Aldridge*

JUNIOR CHURCH REPORT 2017

Junior Church continues with a core of 4-6 children attending with the addition of visitors, some on a regular basis. The children’s corner in church is also regularly used by church members, relatives and visitors with smaller children.

The Junior Church teachers with the greatly valued support of various sitters/helpers continue to provide various activities, material and equipment for Sunday morning sessions based on the Roots material.

The present format is to start off in church then proceeding to their own session, returning to church if there is communion or a special service. We are trying to involve the children more during the period they are in Church particularly in using the instruments during a hymn before they leave.

The children will be giving out daffodils at Mothering Sunday and crosses on Palm Sunday plus we hope a brief drama, and the egg hunt is also enjoyed on Easter Day. Last Christmas the children were involved in a dramatisation of a carol during the Carol service which they enjoyed being involved with.

We are currently awaiting the final installation of Broadband at the Church to help provide different and wider sources of material and activities.

Peter Bennett (*Joint JC coordinator*)

WALKING GROUP REPORT 2017

The Church Walking Group has had a successful year with between four and fourteen walkers – but averaging around six or seven. We have had seven picnics in delightful locations and five meals in pubs or a café. Last April we had a beautiful walk through Middleton Woods, Ilkley, at bluebell time. The following month we went to Pateley Bridge and followed the Panorama Walk and across to Yorke's Folly. June saw us climbing down, up and around Sutton Bank and the White Horse whilst in July we walked around Beamsley Beacon (but not up!). In August Ian Russell guided us along the Calverley Millennium Way in Airedale. With Stan and Liz Pearson we explored Hovingham in September to walk in the Howardian Hills. October saw us walking in Nidderdale around Birstwith and Hampsthwaite, and Ian Russell showed us the beautiful surrounds of Rawdon in November. I never fail to be amazed at how many unknown (to me) isolated and beautiful places are still to be explored within the city boundary. During the winter months of January and February enthusiasm remained high. We had two shorter walks through the Harrogate Pine Woods and Oakdale, and Adel and Scotland Wood, both ending with pub meals. By the time this report finds itself in print Stan will have led us from Ripley through part of the Forest of Knaresborough.

We have been pleased to welcome new walkers and sorry that there are some who are no longer able to come with us. I am grateful to everyone who has led walks during this past year. Thank you to Colin Watson, and others, who have helped me with "walk overs" and who keep me from straying from the route. **Peter C. Harper**

WHO'S WHO

Ministers	Rev. Dr Daniel Mwailu	2681757
Church Stewards	Betty Ashton	2935832
	Daphne Barton	2664999
	Jan Sanders	2933700
	Jenny Dalton	2934588
	Ruth Albiges	2665482
	Val Faint	2663433
Church Council Secretary	Susan Philo	2685204
Church Treasurer	Alan Wittrick	2613392
Treasurer's Assistant	Jackie Bennett	2684914
Senior Property Steward	Peter Bennett	2667380
Senior Communion Steward	Val Faint	2663433
Room Bookings (long term) J	Jackie Bennett	2684914
Room Bookings (one-off)	Patricia Davies	2663090
Junior Church Contact	Peter Bennett	2667380
Pastoral Secretary	Val Faint	2663433
Worship Consultation	Patricia Davies	2663090
Organist/Lidgett Singers	David Wilks	2932960
Car Rota Organiser	John Wells	2661952
Church Notices	Pat Brooke	2678506
Editor of The Link	Stanley Pearson	2736463
Benevolent Fund Secretary	Barbara Holmes	2686499
Christian Aid Organiser	Heather Fry	2933784
Churches Together Rep	Barbara Belsham	273719

Link Distribution Manager	Joyce Toms	2933693
Church Flowers	Margaret Lee	2663876
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	Stanley Pearson	2736463
	Gerry Leake	2664856
Stewardship Envelopes	Paul Nolan	2663160
Gift Aid Secretary	Garth White	2730313
Ladies Group Secretaries	Lynne Pullein	2665303
	Anne Millett	2666910
Badminton	Jackie Bennett	2684914
Church Walking Group	Peter Harper	2662310
Drama Group	Carol Russell	2698341
Simply Stitching	Audrey Gabbitas	2664979
Women's World Day of Prayer	Pat Nolan	2663160
Church Cleaning	Angela Bowers	07749877933
3rd Roundhay Brownies	Jan Ridsdale	2684873
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| 2. If I can dream | 9. Sonnet 35 |
| 3. Matthew's gospel | 10. 2 Samuel |
| 4. Song of Solomon | 11. Heartbreak hotel |
| 5. Othello | 12. Ecclesiastes |
| 6. American trilogy | 13. Henry VI part I |
| 7. Can't help falling i love | 14. Hebrews |
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