

Newslink

SOUTH WEST CUMBRIA UNITED AREA

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The Minister Writes



Instead of our usual Minister's letter we have some final words from (and about) Martin and Rita, David and Hazel, as they leave us. Jennet's first letter will appear in the October 'Newslink'.

Ten days on from our farewell service at Trinity, Rita and I realise that - distracted by the need to unpack a mountain of cardboard boxes that never seems to get any smaller - we've missed the Newslink deadline. In the hope that the editor may kindly find us a corner, this brief note comes as a very inadequate 'thank you'

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for the generosity shown to us by so many members of the United Area, whether in the form of gifts, the astonishingly large cheque which accompanied them or most especially the sentiments expressed in writing, aloud... and even in verse!

You'll understand that we'll be 'under the radar' for the next year or so, but from our hideaway in Rampside we'll be watching eagerly for your next steps forward in growing God's kingdom from Walney to Millom. It's good to know that this magazine, like a number of its local church counterparts, is available in electronic form so hopefully we'll know what to pray for and what successes to celebrate.

With many thanks, once again, for a tremendous final service - and for all that we've shared in a host of ways over the past eight years.

Every blessing,

Martin and Rita

Area Website www.swcumbriaunitedarea.urch.org.uk

We would like to thank everyone in the United Area for all the cards, gifts and thoughtful words that we have received. There are some very well chosen, tangible reminders of our time here in South West Cumbria, and we shall enjoy spending the monetary gifts and vouchers as we get set up in the new manse; in due course we hope to let individuals know what their gift has turned into! Just a few reminders: our new address is 2 Green Walk, Earby, Lancashire, BB18 6XZ, phone number 01282 843064, the email address you should now have for us is edmola11@yahoo.co.uk, and the invitation to lunch at the new manse between 12 and 1:30 on Saturday, September 6th still stands for anyone who is planning to attend our welcome service at St Andrew's church in Barnoldswick (postcode BB18 5BP) at 2:30 p.m. Please let us know if you want to take up the offer, or contact us if at anytime you will be passing nearby and want to drop in.

David and Hazel

Following our verbal "Thanks and Farewell Service" earlier in the month, I now put our heartfelt thanks to Dave and Martin in writing. For a combined total of over 30 years, they have faithfully served individual churches and those of the former Circuit and subsequent United Area to the best of their abilities and in accordance with their calling from God. Both Martin and Dave have been here to oversee both small and large changes, perhaps none more so than Dave's overseeing of Vickerstown moving into a brand new building, and Martin's leadership as superintendent that finally brought about the United Area. Of course, they have both been very active on our behalf within the Community, with the Prison, Foodbank and Credit Union being just three aspects of their ministry that we have endorsed and been grateful for. Dave and Martin, on behalf of all members and friends of the United Area, many thanks for your love, care and ministry among us, and may God continue to bless you both in the 'new' lives you are now embarking upon.

Ron

REGIONAL & NATIONAL WEBSITES

District: www.cumbriamethodists.org.uk

North West Synod: www.nwsynod.org.uk

Connexional: www.methodist.org.uk

National: www.urc.org.uk

October issue No 95 of *Newslink* will be published at the end of September. Please send all material to reach Lilian Wood, 89 Risedale Road, Barrow, LA13 9QY by Sunday September 7th. Items can also be passed on by ☎ **01229 825986** or ✉ lilian.wood4@gmail.com

United Area Camp

Thanks to everyone who made the fourth United Area camp such a happy time. The theme of seeking and finding was explored in a range of ways and the weather was by no means as bad as it was forecast to be. Even the damper parts were fully exploited, and we weren't the only people to be eating ice creams at Bardsea in the rain! A particular feature of this year's clientele was the presence of grandmas with their grandchildren, honorary or otherwise; this contributed greatly to the atmosphere. Numbers were up to 20 for the Saturday activities, and we were again made very welcome to the Sunday service at Urawick Parish church, where we were invited to share something of our discoveries with the congregation, who impressed us with their willingness and skill in singing "Seek ye first" as a four part round. I am pleased to say that Rachel and Steve Williams have taken up the challenge of seeing that the camp continues next year, to the extent that the campsite has already been booked for the equivalent weekend in 2015. So put July 17-19 in your diaries now!

David Edmondson

Praise Group

Please accept my thanks to all who have been part of Praise Group over the years, or who have invited us to sing at various events. It has been a particular pleasure in recent years to have had the chance to explore and share the riches of "Singing the Faith". Especial thanks are due to those who have been our accompanists. I am delighted to say that Praise Group will continue in September; all who enjoy singing are welcome to join - the first meeting will be on Monday, September 8th at Askam Methodist church in Duddon Road. I am grateful to Ellen Powell for agreeing to be the contact point for anyone who would like to extend an invitation to Praise Group: her contact details are 834704, m_ellen_pow@yahoo.co.uk

Hazel Edmondson

Network

We invite you to an ecumenical "Celebration of Faith" @ Trinity Church Centre on Tuesday October 7th @ 2 p.m. The service will be led by Rev Jennet McLeod and there will be a chance to chat to her informally at the close of the service as we share fellowship together over a cup of tea. Everyone will be warmly welcomed and we hope to see you there.

Elaine Pears

Bibleworld Visit To Barrow

We have received some excellent feedback via Bill Maxwell, the Bibleworld Coordinator from the Scottish Bible Society, following their recent visit to Barrow. Teaching staff from the schools who visited said:

- “The children learned loads in 1 hour in a really interactive way”
- “[Bibleworld] brought the Bible to life for the children and helped them see it’s fun and interesting”
- “The pupils couldn’t have navigated the library and museum sections without expert help from the volunteers”
- “Hartington Street Methodist Church always keeps schools posted on activities in the area like Bibleworld and their volunteers on the bus”
- “It was great to see our pupils discussing prior knowledge of the Bible with the leaders”

From children:

- “I really enjoyed Bibleworld. My favourite bit was the rocket because you got to see different animals”
- “When we listened to music was my favourite”
- “I loved going and wish I could come again”
- “Absolutely fantastic, great experience”
- “I enjoyed the aeroplane zone, learning about the countries”
- “I enjoyed the quiz area because we got almost all the questions right”
- “I really enjoyed the library because I like finding different parts of the Bible. It wasn’t boring like I thought it would be.”

He gave us some statistics:

Adults: 96 (including volunteers and teaching staff)

Children: 222 (including classes and those from the open evenings)

Bill added: “Please pass on my best to those involved in volunteering, praying for and supporting this visit in any way. We really appreciate the partnership we experience with churches in the areas we visit, and I will remember my time in Barrow with great fondness.”

Our thanks to the United Area and to many individuals for the support, both financial and in prayer, given to this very successful venture.

Hartington Street Ministry Team



Green Tip

An interesting website:
www.lovefoodhatewaste.com

Lilian Wood

Lebone Village

This letter from Avril at Lebone followed our donation of £3470 from the United Area. Thank you all for your continued support.

Elaine Pears

Our dear dear Friends

I am really struggling to put into words what I am feeling.....the utter thankfulness, so humbled & emotional but most of all praise & glory to our abundant God for YOU ALL.....in a way that will relate to all you dear friends of Lebone Village. A “NEW” way of expressing our feelings & thankfulness to all you faithful people of God for your love & incredible commitment in raising funds to support us & “carry us” in this work we are called to do here at Lebone Village.

Thank you just does not seem to express exactly how we feel after seeing the amazing amount of ZAR61535 reflected on our bank statement, from Elaine Pears on behalf of all our friends across South West Cumbria, but the only way of doing it is to say.....THANK YOU! Thank you from our hearts, thank you from each & everyone here at Lebone Village, thank you, thank you. We have been facing many scary moments lately with the state of the economy & the ever declining ZA Rand but keeping our focus on the One who called us to do this work & standing on His promises, we are able to take giant ‘leaps of faith’ daily. Thank you all for being the LIGHT that God works through, so many miles away!

We appreciate you, value you, love you & always pray for you ALL.

Blessings & love to each & everyone

Yours in His Service

Avril Suyman

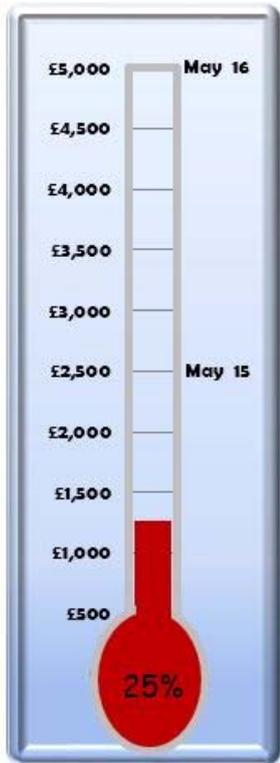
Flashbacks... to times with Jesus

We are now actively looking for helpers for Flashbacks which is being held at Trinity Church Centre in October. There are currently 3 schools booked in over 4 sessions, namely, Monday 13th October (afternoon) and Tues 14th October (afternoon), Wed 15th October (morning) and Thurs 16th October (morning). We are hoping there might be another school coming but we won't know that for certain until after the school term starts in September.

Both those who have helped before or those wanting to find out what Flashbacks is all about and help for the first time are welcome. If you like working with enthusiastic 8 and 9 year old children, this could be for you! Please give your name and which session(s) you would be able to help with to any of the organising team: Iva Cole, Ann Hufton, Jean Helm, Kate Hughes, Joan Linney or Hilary Mantle.

Ann Hufton

Christian Aid Community Partnership



We have made a wonderful start to fundraising for our new project, maternal and child healthcare in Kenya. Thank you to everyone involved in these events:

Bob and Hilary Mantle Birthday donations (part)	£78-75
Askam coffee morning/Lent "Blessings"/Sisterhood	£120-00
Tesco Bucket Collection	£691-00
Retiring collection at COG Slog UA service	£103-00
Retiring collection at UA farewell service	£280-00

This makes a total of £1272-75, which means that we are already a quarter of the way to our target of £5,000.

If anyone is planning an event please let me know so that we can publicise the date and avoid a clash with anything else.

Lilian Wood

Autumn Series - Harvest

Join us at Beacon Hill for a series of meetings on the subject of Harvest, based on material from Christian Aid. We will meet at 7 pm on 4 consecutive Monday evenings, beginning on 15 September. There will be Bible-based discussion, prayers, hymns and, not least, food.

Lilian Wood

Local Preachers/worship Leaders

The next LP/WL meeting will be held on Tuesday 9 September at 7:30 pm at Dalton (Market Street). Worship Leaders in particular are encouraged to attend.

Janet Ladds

First Tuesday Ladies

We will meet at 59 Croslands Park at 7:30 pm on Tuesday 2 September to study the Bible and enjoy a time of prayer and fellowship.

Janet Ladd

Forthcoming Meetings

Tuesday September 16 - Education and Youth meeting at Beacon Hill at 7:30 pm.

Thursday October 2 - COG meeting at Dalton Market Street at 7:00 pm.

It would be good to see every church represented at these meetings.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CUMBRIA CELEBRATING TOGETHER



Saturday 20th September 2014, 10am – 4pm

Trinity Church Centre, Barrow-in-Furness LA14 5HT

Parking available. Car share options available: contact Ruth.

border spirit

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Two days post Scottish referendum, what does it mean to live in a border-crossing county? What lessons for Christian unity?

BOB FYFFE, General Secretary of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, and
SARAH SNYDER of the Rose Castle Centre for Reconciliation

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⚙️ Worship led by Cumbria Ecumenical Spirituality Group

⚙️ Cumbria Church Leaders in conversation

The Healing Spirit - Exploring Healing and Silence

Saturday 13th September 2014 at St Mary's Church, Dalton (in association with Christian Meditation in Cumbria).

We will be exploring healing and how silence aids this process. We will teach beginners how to meditate through opportunities for group meditation and individual silence. The day will be of interest to experienced meditators too, as Rev Allan Mitchell will lead a reflection on **Christ the Healer** at the beginning of the day. Deirdre Hannah will talk about **The Healing Spirit of Love** and we will finish with a reflection on **The Spirit that Heals**.

If you wish to do something creative while you are in the quiet time please bring some art materials with you. You may wish to read the Bible or spend time reflecting on Christ's healing presence in the church garden or church. The meditation group will be able to support anyone individually.

From 9:30am for 10:00am - 4:00pm. Please bring a packed lunch, drinks provided. There is no charge for the day.

Please contact: Alison MacMahon 01229 343621 ally-mac@hotmail.co.uk

Christian Meditation in Cumbria is part of the World Community for Christian Meditation. We seek to renew and strengthen the tradition and discipline of contemplative practice, silent prayer, in the life of Christians and the Church in Cumbria.

Vocations Day

This is for all those interested in vocation. It will seek to address vocation across the board, including lay and ordained, formal and informal expressions of Christian ministry. There will be opportunities to explore in groups different forms of ministry and what they might mean.

The main contributions to the day will be led by the Bishop of Penrith and will explore vocation and mission. The day is supported by the Methodist and URC churches.

Date: Saturday 8 November. The venue is to be confirmed, but will be in south Cumbria.

United Area AGM

The United Area Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 24 September at 7 pm at Vickerstown. Each church has at least two representatives and each committee has at least one representative. Please could all members of the Area meeting (or, for churches, the agreed substitutes if necessary) come to share in the planning of the life and witness of our United Area.

Lilian Wood

Askam

We had a lovely afternoon at Askam on Sat. 12th July, when we welcomed lots of old and dear friends to our annual Garden Party. The sun shone on us and we were able to enjoy the beautiful day out in the Church Garden. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and we raised a magnificent sum of £400.00 for Church Funds. My thanks to everyone who helped in any way on the day, and to all those who joined us.

Looking ahead: Our weekly Saturday Coffee mornings will finish on Sat. 13th Sept. We have a dedicated group of friends who support weekly, and every now and then we have surprise visitors, which is lovely. One rather hot day, we were able to help out two very thirsty walkers who were passing, and another we welcomed old friends, bearing flowers to enhance the Church.

We welcome Rachel as our new Minister in September and she will lead the Sisterhood's AGM on Wednesday, 10th Sept. at 2:30 p.m. Sadly we have to say goodbye to Margaret Frankland as her health prevents her from carrying on as our Treasurer at Sisterhood, and we ask for your prayers as she soldiers on with her many health problems. Margaret has been a stalwart at the Sisterhood, as Chairman for very many years, and has held other positions at Duddon Road, and we really do miss her, she always had such a warm and loving attitude to everyone - we hope she will be able to join us sometimes in the future. God bless you Margaret.

As Sisterhood was formed in 1915 we marvel at how long we have had the privilege of holding these ecumenical services at Askam Methodist building - first at Beach St. and in later years at Duddon Road. We wonder did these ladies first meet together to share and care for each other, when the horrors of the 1st World War were hitting home?

On Sunday 14th Sept will be our Harvest Festival Service, at 9:30 a.m. - also led by Rachel, when all donated goods will be for the Barrow Food Bank. We are inviting our Anglican friends to join us on that morning.

Our monthly midweek service will now be held on the 3rd Wed. of each month, due to Rachel's other commitments, starting on Wed. 17th Sept. at 10:00 a.m. Further services will be held on Wed. 15th Oct. Wed. 19th Nov. and 17th Dec.

On Sunday, 30th November, we hold our first 'later' service at 11:00 a.m. This will be repeated each time there is a 5th Sunday in the month - when hopefully some of our less able members will be able to worship with us.

Everyone is very welcome to join us for all or any of the above.

Dorothy Gleaves

Trinity

Friday 5th September at 7:30 p.m. 'Blossom time' with Ros from Dodds the Florist of Ulverston, and on Saturday 6th from 10:00 a.m. the usual monthly Coffee Morning sponsored by the Indoor Bowling Group.

On Saturday 20th from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. we will be hosting Churches Together in Cumbria Area Day. We hope as many as possible will support this event - each church should have had all the information, but we could possibly do with some help with stewarding (outdoor and inside) and in the kitchen.

The Women's World Day of Prayer Coffee & Prayer & Fellowship will take place on Tuesday 23rd September at Trinity from 10:00 a.m. - 11:15a.m. approx.

Family News

Since the last Newslink, Elsie Howden has gone into Ostley House.

Rosemary Hendley died at the end of July, having suffered two strokes, the first one slight, the second more serious, and that on top of her cancer was too much. She was very brave and she will be missed greatly for she had much to offer. Our thoughts and prayers are with her father and brother at this sad time, but we give thanks for Rosemary's life and witness.

On a brighter note, Martin conducted a Baptism on 13th July. Jake Alfie Harris came with his Mum Paula, Dad Jamie and big sister Mollie along with many family and friends to what was a joyful service.

On that day too Nicole and Olivia, members of the Sunday School, took their first communion, which was very moving as they read a prayer which they had written. Then after we all had communion, the girls were presented with Bibles, the covers of which were in their favourite colours.

Thank you to all who supported and helped at the Knitted Bible Exhibition, it was hard work but a very worthwhile enterprise and our thanks must go to Brian & Norma for their vision of bringing it to Trinity. All who attended it were thrilled with the stories depicted, and for many seeing these all together brought God's plan to life very clearly. The children were thrilled with it and we intend to foster the links we have made with the various schools. Trinity certainly made its mark!

Margaret Manwell

Trinity Prayer - We meet in the lower meeting room at Trinity each Friday morning between 8:50 and 9:30 am to pray; each week we give time to one of the United Area churches, and a set of streets, as well as other prayer concerns. If you have any prayer concerns or things you wish to be prayed for, please contact Janet/Alan Ladds (833882) so we can add them to the prayer book.

06/09	Millom	'D'
13/09	Trinity	'E'
20/09	Vickerstown	'F'
27/09	Beacon Hill	'G'

Janet Ladds

Hartington Street

All are welcome to our midweek Fellowship meetings:

Care and Share fellowship/Knit and Natter: We meet weekly on Tuesdays at 10:00 - 11:30am at Hartington Street. Fellowship, Prayer, a cuppa & bring your knitting. Tea Club will resume in October. For more details phone Val & Jim Hutton (831035).

Ellen Powell

Beacon Hill

The “You Me and Afternoon Tea” has now become “Monday Magic” and has become an enjoyable social afternoon for a number of ladies. We open again on September 8th @ 2:30 p.m. and all are warmly invited to come along.

We are holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Saturday September 20th, 10 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Everyone welcome.

Our usual monthly coffee morning will be on Thursday September 25th, 10 am.-11:15 a.m. with stalls selling cakes, handmade cards, books and Fairtrade items.

Elaine Pears

Dalton

The Ghyll Singers (ladies choir based in Ulverston) are performing at an afternoon concert on Saturday 4th October at 2:30 pm in Wellington St Church, Dalton. Tickets, which are £4 and include light refreshments, are available in advance from Margaret Harrison on 01229 466069, or pay on the door. The concert will include a short commemoration of World War 1 and the hope of peace in a selection of music and poetry.

Margaret Harrison

The July coffee morning raised £300 for church funds. Many thanks to all who helped and supported it.

The Bible Society Action Group will be meeting to arrange a coffee morning which will take place at Dalton Market St on Saturday 27th September. All donations of books, cakes, raffle and tombola prizes and bric-a-brac will be most welcome. Please see Brenda or me.

R Willock

The Christian Women’s Fellowship will meet on Wednesday Sept 17th at 7:30 pm. The theme for our first meeting is “Summer Reflections”. All are welcome.

D Zazi

Dates for the diary: Sat 6th Sept, 9:45 - 11:15 am Coffee morning for Dalton URC.
Sat 27th Sept, 9:45 -11:15 am Coffee morning for Bible Society

Kirkby-in-Furness

On Sunday September 14th we shall celebrate our Harvest Thanksgiving, starting with a Bring and Share “Loaf” meal at 5 pm. L-O-A-F in this context does not mean a meal of bread on the lines perhaps of a Lent Lunch, but a meal in which the constituent parts are either Local, Organic, Animal-friendly or Fairtrade... no contribution is intended to be all four, but it has been known! Rachel will be leading our worship, which will follow seamlessly from the meal at 6 pm.

We had a similar meal last year which worked well, although more people came at 6 pm, not realising that the meal was open to all. Please accept this invitation to join us. It was wonderful to see the church full for Elizabeth and Richard’s wedding on Saturday 2nd August. We were able to seat all 80 guests thanks to our newly-acquired chairs, and it was good to see many friends from the circuit and the village. I think Elizabeth was surprised to see so many people outside the church to wish them well and everyone was thankful for the beautiful sunshine. Flowers both inside and outside the church were at their best and many photos feature our newly installed slate name plaque. Thank you to everyone who helped to make it a memorable and happy day.

Janet Sheldon

Ramsden Street

We were delighted to be invited to the Greengate School World War 1 commemoration on June 26th. The children and staff were in costume and various items from the different classes were enjoyed by the large audience. Afternoon tea was served afterwards.

A group of us visited and thoroughly enjoyed the Knitted Bible Exhibition at Trinity and the afternoon tea which was included.

FACTORS (**F**un **A**t **C**hurch **T**ogether **O**n **R**amsden **S**treet) meets at a new time of 6pm until 7:30pm and on Friday September 5th an Open Evening is to be held for adults and children to come along and see what we do on our FACTORS evenings.

All church members and friends were invited to suggest ideas for our Centenary Celebrations next year. Lots of ideas have been suggested and during the next few weeks we hope to come to a decision. Watch this space!

Anne Stevenson

Urswick

We would just like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to everyone throughout the United Area who, in any way, contributed to make our Centenary celebrations such a resounding success. Blessed as we were with near-perfect weather, it was only because of the marvellous support we had, both on a practical level and also by the very numbers of you that turned up at Urswick, that the weekend turned out to be such a memorable occasion for us. So, on behalf of the Elders and Members of our Fellowship, thank you all once again.

Gareth Lester

Broughton

This year sees the Church's 139th Anniversary. It will be celebrated at our weekly coffee morning on Tuesday 9th September. Come and join us through Photos and Memories and of course our Homemade Biscuits, Cake and endless Tea or Coffee. We also have Horlicks, Hot Chocolate and much appreciated Bovril. Choose Your Favourite Hymn and I'm sure Sheila, Margaret or Rachel will be only too happy to sing it for you.

Friday 18th July saw myself and Emma (11 yrs) heading for Urswick to the Camping Weekend. My first time and last with David and Hazel as Hosts. When David retires from the Ministry, Hazel and him could open their own Cafe. Their catering was superb. Two families in tents, the rest of us in bunk room. The 7 young people got on so well together and Emma hadn't met any of them before. The Treasure Hunts on site and at Bardsea were very enlightening with patience and very inquiring minds. A fantastic BBQ followed, thanks to the Watsons, followed by Songs around the campfire. Sunday saw us taking part in the morning service at Urswick Church. We included items from our learning from the Bible sessions. A really super weekend with lots of HAPPY MEMORIES to take away with us.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to Martin and Rita as Martin has a change of CALLING. Our whole village was greatly enhanced by their visits to our Coffee Mornings and Fundraising Events. Everyone enjoyed their contributions to our Burn's Night Ceilidhs with Music, Dance and Rita's father playing his Bagpipes.

Many people who never come to a Church Service remember them fondly, especially Fred. When his wife died, Fred as an atheist didn't know what to do, he was lost. However the friendship he had made with Martin left him in no doubt and Martin organized the Funeral just the way Fred wanted it. Service in Church, Cremation (which Fred didn't attend) and members and friends made refreshments ending with Fred in the Kitchen washing up, which is what he wanted to do. Our Singing the Faith Hymn Books have a reminder of his wife on the first page as Fred donated the funds to buy them.

Of course we will miss them in Church but we have all been invited to Rampside for a cup of tea. May GOD guide you as you take steps to a new journey on the Pathway to Heaven.

Beryl Hollowell

Vickerstown

Messy Church continues ecumenically at St Mary's on September 21st; it now has a regular slot on the third Sunday in the month from 3 to 5 p.m.

Our regular monthly coffee morning at Vickerstown will be from 10:00 on Saturday, September 13th with the usual range of stalls including the opportunity to stock up on Fairtrade items. This year's bramble jelly will also be available.

Karen Edmondson

Millom

Despite this being the “holiday season” we have several events to report. 25 of us visited Swarthmoor Hall on Wednesday 2nd July. Following an interesting talk about the history of the hall we toured the premises and gardens and finished with refreshments in the dining area.

The Holiday Club organised by Catherine Clark and helpers had the theme “Goal” this year and took place on 22nd and 23rd July. 10 young people enjoyed the activities. Several members braved the long and winding road (or in my case the train) to Trinity Church to see the Knitted Bible exhibition while it was on display. It was well worth the journey.

On Sunday 3rd August quite a few of us travelled again to Trinity for the special farewell service for Martin and Rita, David and Hazel. It was a lovely time of fellowship and a very fitting tribute for all their work over the years spent in the Area. We shall miss them all.

Our annual barbecue on 10th August was preceded by a Messy Church in which most of the congregation participated. The unleavened bread (still warm from the oven) was used for communion before we settled down in the community room for lunch. Due to the inclement weather - torrential rain during the previous night - we held it indoors but as usual the food was thoroughly enjoyed by the 32 people who came. Thanks to the Watsons who did the cooking and thanks to all the members who provided the starters and sweets. We do enjoy FOOD at Millom Queen Street!! £55.60 was also raised for Lebone House at this event.

A total of £104 has been sent to Blind Veterans along with 50 squares for the “Knit a Tank” project. It will be interesting to see the finished result in pictures of the Shoreham Air Show being held at the end of August. Do look it up on their website as it should be something quite unique

We look forward to the New Abbey Singers concert on Saturday 13th September at 4pm followed by a tea. Please join us if you can. Tickets should be on sale shortly.

Finally our Autumn Fayre will take place on Saturday 27th September from 10am to 12 noon. Again we invite you to come and join us. There will be various stalls including cakes, jams, bric-a-brac, jewellery and books plus a raffle.

Margaret Riley

Regular Sunday Services

Following recent changes morning service times are now as follows:

Askam	(Duddon Road) 9:30 am (except 5 th Sunday–11:00 am)
Beacon Hill	(Holyoake Avenue, Barrow) 9:30 am
Broughton	(Princes Street) 9:30 am
Dalton Methodist	(Wellington Street) 9:30 am
Dalton URC	(Market Street) 9:30 am
Hartington Street	Barrow 10:30 am (except 2 nd Sunday – 4 pm service)
Kirkby	(Marshside) 10:30 am (except 2 nd Sunday – 6pm 5 th Sunday – 10 am at St Cuthbert's)
Millom	(Queen Street) 11:00 am
Ramsden Street	Barrow 11:00 am (except 1 st Sunday– 10:30am & 5 th Sunday – 11:00 am at Trinity)
Roose	(North Row, Barrow) 11:00 am
Trinity Church Centre	(Warwick Street, Barrow) 11:00 am
Urswick	(Tarn Close) 11:00 am (except 1 st & 3 rd Sundays -- at Parish church)
Vickerstown	(Warren Street) 11:00 am

Regular Coffee Mornings

Please note that coffee mornings are held every week as follows:

Broughton -	Tuesdays from	10:00 till 11:30
Roose -	Thursdays from	9:30 till 10:45
Millom -	Fridays from	9:30 till 10:30
Ramsden St. -	Fridays from	10:30 till 12:00



Dalton - Tea and Chat every Monday at Wellington Street from 10:00 to 11:30
Hartington St - Care & Share Fellowship & Knit & Natter every Tuesday from 10:00 to 11:30