

**Trinity Church Centre
Newsletter
October & November
2018**



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Our Minister writes

Sometimes in life something happens to remind us of how much we have to celebrate – the many blessings and gifts that God so freely showers upon us. Sadly, such moments sometimes seem to be all too rare. More often than not, we lurch from one demand, one crisis, one responsibility to another, scarcely finding time to draw breath and to reflect on the reasons we have to give thanks.

If we're not careful, we end up brooding on the things we haven't got, the things we can't do, the hopes we had that have come to nothing, the future we expected to have that has faded away, the world where violence and hatred seem to rule the day. Then we get sucked into a vicious cycle of self-pity: the more sorry we feel for ourselves, the more grounds we seem to be able to find for such feelings.

Perhaps all of us need to stop occasionally and, in the words of the old hymn, 'count our blessings'. When we do that, life seems very different. In reality, there is so much that is not only good but indescribably wonderful, beautiful beyond words.

There's an old Christian practice called 'The Examen' in which we pause at the end of the day to look back and notice the things that we've done or that have happened that have sapped our energy and depressed our mood. And then we think about the things that have given us a sense of fulfilment or excited us and given us energy. It's likely that each day brings a mixture of both – it's a rare (and probably pretty insensitive) individual who floats through life untroubled by anything and who never has to deal with what might be dull and boring!

Recognising and being thankful for those things that have brightened our day and energised us in some way gives us the resources to deal with whatever might drag us down. Becoming conscious of the blessings we encounter each day won't make our problems go away, but will give us a fresh perspective.

It will help us realise where God has been present and active in ways we might never have noticed and, far from feeling sorry for yourself, you will realise how many reasons you have to give thanks.

Every blessing, Jennet

Family news

We are sad to have to report the death of one of our adherents, Mrs Edle Rothnie. She had not been well for some time, and eventually suffered from severe dementia which made it very difficult for the family. She spent her last few weeks in St George's Risedale where she was well cared for. We send our love and prayers to her husband and the family.



We were happy to welcome Jacob Brock on 26th August, and Raine Morrison on 16th September, into God's Family. They were both baptised by Jenet. There was a full church on both of these happy occasions, and we look forward to seeing the families again

Action card

The World Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel - Youth and Children: Raising Hope and Making Change took place on **September 16 -23, 2018**

This year the focus was on youth and children and on hope and change.

Of the many challenges youth and children in Palestine face, access to education presents numerous obstacles. Large numbers of Palestinian children living in the West Bank and East Jerusalem experience serious harassment and hurdles on their way to and from school as well as in school yards and classrooms. The accompaniers of The World Council of Churches Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel have witnessed many attacks over the past years and have indicated that they are becoming more frequent.

Delays at checkpoints, military presence, settler attacks, treacherous roads, closed military zones, demolition orders and violent clashes are among the obstacles that children face. As the security situation in many parts of Palestine continues to deteriorate, the protection of schools and students, together with their right to education, needs to be respected and prioritised.

Rev. Dr Olav Fykse Tveit, the General Secretary of the World Council of Churches, says:-

Today too many children in Palestinian territories grow up in fear, poverty and hopelessness, caused by more than 50 years of occupation. Too many youngsters lack access to proper education and can't find decent work.

Still, there is hope for a just peace in Palestine and Israel, and as Christians we must continue our efforts on a global scale to resolve the conflict peacefully. During this week, which included the International

Day of Peace on 21 September, church organisations, congregations, and people of faith were encouraged to bear a common witness by participating in worship services, educational events, and acts of support in favour of a just peace for Palestinians and Israelis.

TO FIND OUT MORE:-

Background on youth and children with prayers
 12 diverse voices on hope for Israel and Palestine - [12 Faces of Hope](#)

AND TO TAKE ACTION, resources are available from [Pax Christi UK](#)

Information provided by Steve Hucklesby, Policy Advisor, Methodist Church



Saturday October 13th
 &
 Saturday November 10th
 3 - 5pm



Pie, Peas & Quiz
 Friday October 12th
 6pm
 Tickets £4
 from 584602



Christmas Fair
 Saturday November 24th
 2pm
 Admission £1 including
 refreshments
 Help!!! . . . see 'What's On'

Tuesday October 30th from 09.30am - children from Victoria Infants are visiting the Church. Help would be appreciated with craft work / serving refreshments.

Flower rota

October

November

7 th	Miss Allington, Miss McKinnon	4 th	Fund
14 th	Fund	11 th	Fund
21 st	Mr. & Mrs Ladds	18 th	Fund
28 th	Fund	25 th	Fund



Charity Card/Gift Sale

We are once again holding our annual Charity Card/Gift Sale and Coffee Morning. It is on Saturday October 13th from !0.00 until 11.30am. The usual charities will be represented so



please tell your friends and come along to get your cards, presents, enjoy a cup of coffee and chat.

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### **Christmas Post**

For those wishing to send 'Christmas Wishes' to their friends, a list will be in the Atrium for you to sign for inclusion in the December Newsletter. If you want your Christmas greetings to be included in the next Newsletter please **sign the list by Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November**. A donation for Church funds in lieu of cards/postage would be appreciated.

Cards will be sorted on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December, from 4.00pm, and will be ready for delivery on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December. Help will be needed with both sorting and delivery, so please come along on Dec 7<sup>th</sup> if you can, to help with sorting, and take as many cards to deliver as you want on Dec 9<sup>th</sup> - - - 3, 30 or 300 – it all helps!

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Action Card August 2018

Information supplied by Sue Ingham, NJPM

Reducing plastic use

Since the final episode of Blue Planet II, we have all become aware of the damage being done to our oceans and its inhabitants by plastic pollution. From the disturbing footage of albatross chicks being fed plastic, turtles deformed by becoming stuck in 6-pack plastic rings and dolphins exposing their new-born calves to pollutants through their contaminated milk it is clear that the widespread use of plastic cannot continue. The statistics are shocking: David Attenborough quotes a figure of 8 million tonnes of plastic dumped into the sea every year.

However, it's not just the oceans that are affected. A recent study has shown that tap water is also polluted in the form of microfibers, in 83% of tap water samples from major cities around the world and in 93% of samples from the world's top 11 bottled water brands.

The microplastics in the oceans and our drinking water are produced by the erosion and breakdown of larger plastic items or are present in some manufactured products such as cosmetics or toothpaste as microbeads (now banned in the UK). These fibres and fragments may be consumed in the water we drink or in seafood that we eat. What long term impact this has on our own health or that of other creatures (from plankton to whales to sea birds) is unknown.

Action

It's clear that drastic action is needed to stop this flood of indestructible pollution. We can take steps to reduce our individual single-use plastic consumption but it is up to businesses and governments to make large scale changes.

Recently we have seen that these can be effective: 9 billion fewer plastic carrier bags used in the UK since the introduction of the 5p charge; and the ban on microbeads which came into force in the UK earlier this year.

Public pressure has a huge part to play in introducing these changes. In the light of Pope Francis' encyclical on the environment, *Laudato Si'*, (159) Christian groups should be at the forefront of those who are trying to protect our world from becoming a plastic rubbish dump.

Here are just a few ideas to get you started

► Use a reusable water bottle and coffee mug. ► Carry a reusable shopping bag. ► Remember to say no to plastic straws and cutlery. ► Look for clothes made of natural fibres. ► Make your own packed lunches. ► Participate in beach clean-ups. ► Find out about plastic pollution. ► Join an organisation working on the issue.

For more ideas and information go to <http://www.plasticisrubbish.com/>

Weekly activities at TCC

Monday	12.45 – 2.45pm	- Parent & toddler group
	7 pm – 9pm	- Bible study
Tuesday	1.30 - 3.45pm	- Indoor bowls
	5.30 – 7pm	- Brownies, for girls 7 to 10 years old
	5.45 – 6.45pm	- Rainbows, for girls 5 to 7 years old
	7.15 – 9pm	- Guides, for girls 10 to 14 years old
	7.15 – 9pm	- Senior Guides, girls 14-25 years old
Wednesday	9.30 – 11.30am	- Parent & toddler group
	6.15 – 7.30pm	- Junior badminton
	7.30 – 10pm	- Badminton
Thursday	8.45 - 9.30am	- Prayer group
	6 - 8pm	- Brownies, for girls 7 to 10 years old
Friday	1.30 – 4pm	- Badminton

Monthly activities at Trinity Church Centre

1 st Saturday	10 – 11,30am	Coffee morning - lounge
1 st Tuesday	10 for 10,30am	Midweek communion - lounge
2 nd Saturday	3 -5pm	Messy Church – games hall
3 rd Wednesday	11am	Service at Risedale Retirement Home
4 th Wednesday	2 - 4pm	2 for T - lounge
Alt Wednesdays	7.30 – 10.30pm	Play any Board Game - lounge

What's on at TCC

October

2 nd	10 for 10.30 am	Informal communion in the lounge
3 rd	7.30-10.30pm	Play any Board Game, in the lounge
6 th	10 – 11.30am	Coffee morning in the lounge followed by a 'Make your own pizza' lunch
12th	6pm	Pie, Peas & Quiz Tickets £4 from 584602
13th	10 – 11.30am	Charity Card and Gift sale
13 th	3 -5.00pm	Messy Church – free fun for families
17 th	11am	Service at Risedale Retirement Home
17 th	7.30-10.30pm	Play any Board Game, in the lounge
24 th	2pm	2 for Tea.
31 st	7.30-10.30pm	Play any Board Game, in the lounge

November

3 rd	10 – 11.30am	Coffee morning in the lounge, followed by a lunch
6 th	10 for 10.30 am	Informal communion in the lounge
10 th	3 -5.00pm	Messy Church – free fun for families
14 th	7.30-10.30pm	Play any Board Game, in the lounge
17 th	11am	Service at Risedale Retirement Home
24th	2pm	Christmas Fair. Admission £1 inc refreshments Items for stalls/refreshments are needed

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28 th	7.30-10.30pm	Play any Board Game, in the lounge
28 th	2pm	2 for Tea.

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### Services in October

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| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | 11.00 am       | Mrs Y. Blackley  |                    |
|                  | 6.30 pm        | Rev J McLeod     |                    |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> | 11.00 am       | Miss K Edmondson |                    |
|                  | 6.30 pm        | Rev J McLeod     | Healing service    |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> | 11.00 am       | Mr A Ladds       |                    |
|                  | 6.30 pm        | Mrs D Watkinson  |                    |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> | 11.00 am       | Mrs J Ladds      | Communion          |
|                  | <b>4.00 pm</b> | Rev J McLeod     | Reflective service |

### Services in November

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| 4 <sup>th</sup>  | 11.00 am       | Mr C Mills   |                    |
|                  | 4.00 pm        | Rev J McLeod | Loved ones service |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | <b>10.45am</b> | Rev J McLeod | Parade service     |
|                  | 4.00 pm        | Rev Z Smith  | Healing service    |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> | 11.00 am       | Ms S Carnaby |                    |
|                  | 4.00 pm        | Mr C Mills   |                    |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> | 11.00 am       | Rev Z Smith  | Communion          |
|                  | 4.00 pm        | Mr A Ladds   | Reflective service |

**Please let me have your contributions for the December/January Newsletter by Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November. Thank you. Sue Millard.**  
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