

Sunday May 3rd

Haworth's 185th Sunday School anniversary services 10.30am and 6pm led by Rev Alf Waite. Tour de Yorkshire bike race should not interfere. Everyone welcome.

Circuit Walks:

The circuit walks will restart on Saturday May 16th. We will meet at St Peter's Methodist Church in Cross Hills at 12.30pm with a picnic lunch before walking for about an hour on gentle inclines. The following planned Saturday dates are June 6th, June 27th and July 11th all at 12.30pm; additional weekday daytime and/or evening walks will hopefully be planned in between. Locations will be published in advance. If you would be willing to lead a walk near your Church, please contact Peter Howarth.

30th May Launching of circuit youth club at Silsden Park, from 3-6pm. There will be games and a barbecue.

31st May Youth service at Silsden Methodist Church at 10:30am

If you have an interest or ideas for working with young people, please contact your minister, youth worker or Kanu on 01535 635140.

Celebrations at

St Andrew's Cowling



This year we are celebrating the 50th anniversary of St Andrew's Methodist Church. There will be a special service on May 3rd to commemorate the laying of the foundation stone on May 1st 1965. This will be led by Rev Ken Beardsley. At the time the resident minister (yes, resident in Cowling) was the Rev Guthrie Burgess, whose widow Kathleen, now over 100 years old, is still living at Town End Close in Crosshills.

The congregations of the old Bar Chapel and the Walton Street Mission Rooms united to form the new congregation.

St Andrew's opened on November 27th 1965. The anniversary service on November 29th will be led by Rev Ruth Parry. On Saturday June 27th, starting at 3pm, Rev Nigel Ogley will lead a pilgrimage round the village visiting current and

former sites of worship in Cowling.

In 1965 there was a third large Methodist congregation at Ickornshaw Methodist Chapel. The last service was held there on May 26th 1985, 30 years ago, and of those holding office at St Andrew's who have grown up in the village, many came from Ickornshaw. This year also marks the 30th anniversary of Ickornshaw joining St Andrew's.

May will be a busy month at St Andrew's with 3 special events.

3rd May – anniversary of the laying of the Foundation Stone 10.30am

10th May – Sunday School Anniversary – 10.30 am

24th May – our annual Pentecost Party from 3pm outside the church (inside if wet). Refreshments, stalls, children's activities, quiz and a Praise Service at 4.30pm (not 3pm as on plan).



Diary Dates

Fri May 8th 7pm Beetle Drive and Pie & Pea Supper at Marsh, tickets from Kath Neal

Sat May 9th West Yorkshire District Synod at Cornerstone. Please pray for this event in the life of Methodism

May 10-16 Christian Aid Week

May 15th Calling those aged 20-45. "Food for thoughts" - Church— What's the point? An evening for people across the Circuit in the age range 20-45. We will be hosting a meal at Silsden Methodist followed by a time of sharing about what is or is not relevant about church for your generation. Please contact Rev Ruth Crompton 01535 652353 if you would like to book your free place and meal.

Tues May 19th The Airedale Circuit Leadership Team will be meeting for business. If you have an item you would like to go on the agenda then please contact either the Superintendent or the Senior Circuit Steward

Sun May 24th Pentecost/Aldersgate Sunday/Wesley Day

Sun May 31st Trinity Sunday

Celebrating and Growing the Rural Church

“Releasing the Rural Church for Mission”

Saturday 4th July 2015

.10am-3.15pm at the Wharfedale Upper School, Threshfield (nr Grassington).

Advertising and bookings out soon!

Inspiring and Practical examples of growing rural churches, with three national champions of rural ministry:

- + Jerry Marshall (CEO of the Arthur Rank Centre),
- + Elizabeth Clark (Methodist National Rural Officer) and
- + Howard Petch (ex Commissioner on the CRC).

For more information contact Deacon Maggie Patchett; Rural Outreach Project

Saturday May 23rd 8pm at Haworth Australian singer Beck Sian & acclaimed UK guitarist Jonathan Kershaw present a concert as part of their Beautiful Ghosts & Bizarre Tales tour which is a blend of haunting ballads & dark Celtic themes. Tickets £5 on the door or online at www.acousticgoth.com/live. Refreshments also on sale for church funds

Action for Children Another church has handed in their Home Collecting Boxes (Lanterns) for counting and we continue to be amazed at people's continuing and generous giving to the cause. Did you know that in 2013 over 29,000 of these boxes were in use and they raised over £500,000 towards the charity's vital work across the UK. If you haven't got a box, they sit so easily by the telephone or on the sideboard, and even if you only drop in those tiddly 5p coins its amazing how they add up - and you won't even miss them! Contact Maurice or Judith Baren on 01535 643100 or email mauricebaren@gmail.com for a box today, please.

Another way of helping is supporting a store collection - we just ask for one hour - at Morrisons in Keighley on 11 July. Please make a note in your diary and give us a call now, before you forget.

Many thanks Maurice & Judith

Interested In How Faith Affects Us As We Age? Rev Graham Hawley will be leading an evening workshop on Spirituality of Ageing on June 3rd 7pm at Silsden. This is suitable for all who are involved in pastoral care or have an interest in the subject.

Friday 8th May 8.30pm at Sunny Bank Social Club, Silsden. A Grand Charity event featuring the Big Bang playing live music from the 60s. Tickets from Twiggs Newsagents or pay on the door. Proceeds for Manorlands Hospice (Sue Ryder Care) and Silsden Methodist Church

INVITATION

to
OPEN HOUSE & GARDEN

at
INTAKE BUNGALOW, PARK LANE

COWLING
on
30th Every Month

(Apr – Aug incl)

from
2 pm - 4.30 pm (ish)

BRING & BUY RAFFLE

Suggested donation £3 (or a couple for £5)

Tell your friends and bring them along
Proceeds for work at St Andrews Church

Welcome Place Cafe, Temple Row, Keighley

Our Welcome Place Cafe is now open Monday, Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes. We are making fresh soup with donated/home grown ingredients and operating on donations only; what you think it's worth or what you can afford.

A story in the Keighley News highlighted how so many people cannot afford to eat and the cafe will make no distinction between those who just fancy a healthy bowl of soup and those affected by food poverty.

This problem won't wait months for a funding bid so we will be setting up a crowdfunding site to cover the costs of running it so that people can eat for free if they need to. We have also added a donate by Paypal button to our website.

I hope people will support the project and also signpost people to us to get involved either to benefit from the soup, volunteering or supporting us with the cost of delivery.

Shona Grange, The Welcome Project www.welcomeproject.org.uk

Please submit any items for the June newsletter by Monday May 18th to Gerald Crompton (Editor) news@airedalemethodists.org or phone 01535 652353 or post to 55 Woodside Road, Silsden, Keighley BD20 0BN. If you would be like to receive the newsletter by email please send a request to the Editor.