



Penrith Methodist Circuit

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday 22nd January 2023

I don't know

How often have you answered a question with 'I don't know'? It might be something straightforward like the answer to a crossword clue or quiz question, or there might be a greater significance to that answer. We don't know because we have yet to find out.

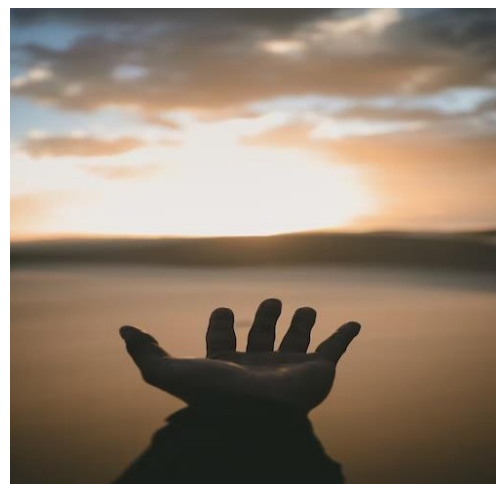
As you may be aware, Roger has undergone many medical tests in the last few months. People have kindly enquired about the outcome of these tests, and we have frequently answered 'we don't yet know'. The reason being that the medical staff had to keep searching for the answers and for a while the picture was not clear. When eventually a diagnosis was made the questions turned to the future and what it holds. Still the answer has to be 'we wait and see'.

Most of us would prefer certainties in life. We like to plan and anticipate the future and don't like nasty surprises. Yet we know that the unexpected is always around the corner. As Christians we are just as vulnerable to the ups and downs of life as anyone else, but we have the advantage of knowing the One who does know the future (as well as the past and present).

The last verse of Matthew's Gospel reads 'I will be with you always even to the end of the age'. This comes after Jesus commissioned his disciples to share the gospel message to all. They would not go in their own strength but in the power of the Holy Spirit. That same promise can be claimed by us. We take the words of the hymn below written by Alfred B Smith and Eugene Clarke and make them our own.

**I do not know what lies ahead,
The way I cannot see;
Yet One stands near to be my guide,
He'll show the way to me:**

***I know who holds the future,
And He'll guide me with His hand;
With God things don't just happen,
Everything by Him is planned.
So as I face tomorrow,***



*With its problems large and small,
I'll trust the God of miracles,
Give to Him my all.*

I do not know how many days
Of life are mine to spend;
But One who knows and cares for me
Will keep me to the end:

Lois Morton



Penrith Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Tim Cooke

Readings: 1 Peter 1: 3 – 9; Romans 15: 13

Skelton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Michael Boone

Stainton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Beth Honey

Cottage Wood Centre

5pm ~ Zoom Sharing Service - contact Carolyn Dickinson for log in details
(Email: fraser.carolyn4@gmail.com)

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**Thought for the Week**





### **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

**9.30am** ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

**12.30pm** ~ Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Salvation Army, Penrith

**2pm** ~ Bible Fellowship - Skelton Methodist Church

**6.15pm** ~ Choral Group – Sandgate/PMC

**7.30pm** ~ Monday Zoom Prayer

### **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January**

**10.30am** ~ CAP Job Club – Beacon/PMC

**12.30pm** ~ Midweek Service/Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Church/PMC

**7pm** ~ Omega HG – Sunningdale, Stainton

**7.30pm** ~ Junior Youth Club – Ullswater/PMC

### **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

**10am** ~ 3C's – Cottage Wood Centre

**12.30pm** ~ Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – St. Andrew's Church, Penrith

**1.30pm** ~ Sewing Craft Group – Skelton Methodist Church

**7pm** ~ Blencow HG – The Hollies, Blencow *(We meet twice monthly at 7pm on a Wednesday. Contact Steve on 07711 088448 for further details.)*

### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January**

**1pm** ~ Twinkly Tots – Ullswater/PMC

**1.30pm** ~ Prayer Meeting – Church/PMC

### **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January**

**10am - 2pm** ~ Warm Spaces – Sandgate/PMC

**12 noon** ~ Lunch Club – Ullswater/PMC

**7.30pm** ~ Senior Youth Club – Ullswater/PMC

### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January**

**Penrith: 10.30am** ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger

**7pm** ~ Encounter – PJ Summers & Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger

**Patterdale: 10.30am** ~ Covenant Service ~ Rev. David Milner

**Skelton: 10am** ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Dr James Tebbutt

**Stainton: 10.30am** ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Tim Cooke

**Cottage Wood Centre: 3pm** ~ Early Evening Worship ~ Rev. David Milner



## Swimathon

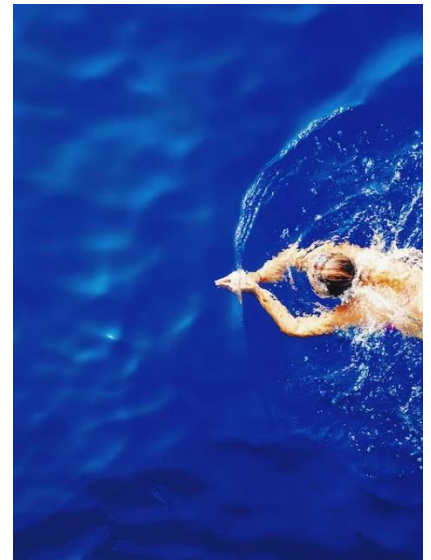
We may currently be a smaller group but the members CentrePoint are keen to take part in this year's swimming marathon, organised by Penrith Rotary Club to raise money for charities, local and further afield. They will be swimming for 50 minutes at 4:00 pm on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> January (possibly with some leader input as well!!).

The young people value your support in sponsorship and this year the sponsorship will be divided between the Rotary Club local nominated charities and other charities of their choice. If you would like to sponsor the group then please see either Sarah Yallop, myself or any of the CentrePoint members taking part.

Thank you again for your support in the past and for your encouragement as the young folk represent our church in this event.

Gareth Brolly.

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Missing Bins

Has anyone used the green pop-up bins which are normally kept in Lindsay's cupboard? They have recently gone missing, but may have been put away somewhere different?

Please contact us in the office if you know where they are.

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## PMC Sunday Coffee & Lunch Rotas

Please may we have volunteers to prepare and serve tea & coffee after the morning service and to organise the bring & share lunches on the first Sunday of each month.

Either add your name to the rota in the kitchen or contact the Circuit Office.



## **Travel Mugs**

Twinkly Tots are in need of some travel mugs with lids. If you have any old ones going spare, please leave them in the box in reception.



# **SUPPER CLUB**

**Last November it was suggested that we might restart “Supper Club”. Since then, an encouraging number who were previously involved have said that they would like to be part of Supper Club again. We have also been heartened by the interest and enthusiasm which others have shown together with a wish to join and participate.**

**We feel that the current level of support is sufficient to restart Supper Club.**

**It would however be good to welcome more .... You would have the opportunity to meet others in the church family and enjoy friendship and food.**

**If you haven't let us know already and would like to join in, or would like details of how Supper Club operates, then please get in touch before the end of January.**

**Telephone:- 01931 714110 email:- [johngore214@btinternet.com](mailto:johngore214@btinternet.com)**

**In early February, I will contact all people who have said that they would like to be involved and give more detailed information. Soon afterwards I will circulate the rotas.**

**Our provisional plan is for Supper Club to start in March and run for 3 or 4 months.**

**We would then have a break and, on some date to be arranged in the summer, we would all meet up for a social gathering.**

**Normal service would be resumed again in September, probably for 3 months.**

**John & Margaret (Gore)**



## Encounter at PMC

This service will now be held on the last Sunday of every month starting with 29<sup>th</sup> January, then 26<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm.

# GUESS WHO TURNED UP AT THE TEMPLE!

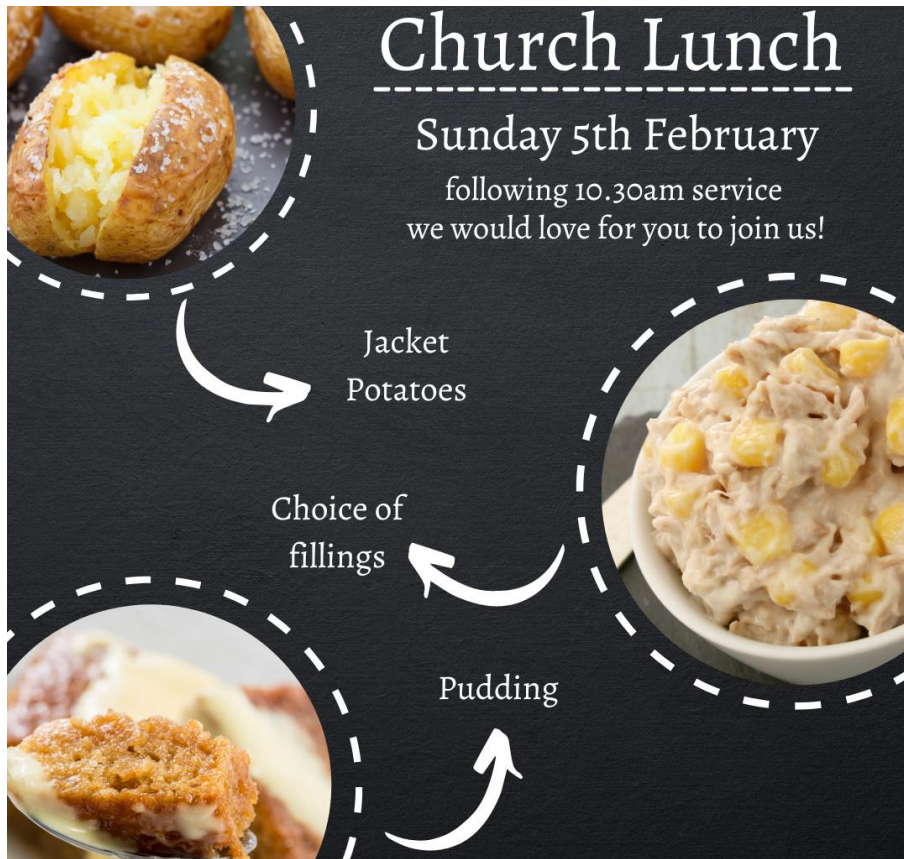
## PMC Epiphany series - 10:30am Sundays

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January - Simeon - Morgan Tebb-Roger

Sunday 5 February - Anna - PJ

Sunday 12 February - Jesus - Rev. Tim





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**Cottage Wood Centre - Please send a request to join our Facebook group.**

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