



East Cumbria **Methodist** Circuit



Weekly Bulletin **Sunday 3rd September 2023**

An Historic Moment

1st September, 2023, is a truly historic moment. It is the date of the birth of a new Methodist Circuit, as the East Cumbria Methodist Circuit comes into being. And, you can say that you not only were there to witness its arrival, but actively took part to celebrate its inauguration.

To celebrate the event, this Sunday we will be inviting everyone from across the newly formed Circuit to come together to worship and praise God, as well as committing ourselves to work together in mission. Please don't miss out! There are more details to be found in the Pastoral Letter sent out by Tim and I a couple of weeks ago, and in notices in this Bulletin.

A Circuit exists as a group of Churches and congregations in a particular geographical area, who are committed to working together in mission. The Circuit plans and organises the resources across the area to better equip and enable those Churches for God's mission in their own patch. How can we support and encourage one another to spread the good news of God's love in the towns and villages of East Cumbria?

The Circuit covers geographically quite a large area, from Patterdale in the west, to Alston in the east. Google Maps tells me that this is a distance of 33 miles, and (in current driving conditions as I write) would take me just under an hour to drive. How, then, can we sustain a unified Circuit identity over such an area? How do we know what is happening right across this new Circuit, in order to support and encourage one another?

Well... that is where this very Bulletin can help! Please encourage everyone you know in your own congregation to read this Circuit Bulletin each week. This way, we can become aware of (and support) events that are happening elsewhere around the area.





And please make sure that you send into the office news about the things that are happening where you are. Let's share good news stories of events around the Circuit. There is so much that is happening, from concerts and recitals at St. Patrick's in Patterdale, to a new Alpha Course running at The Chat Room in Alston. Spread the word!

And, a very happy nought-th Birth Day to the East Cumbria Methodist Circuit.

Rev. Dave



Penrith Methodist Church

10.30am ~ East Cumbria Methodist Circuit Launch Service

Readings: 1 Corinthians 12: 12 – 26; Matthew 10: 34 – 39

All are welcome to join us for a soup lunch following the service.

Please bring any contributions of cakes, traybakes & biscuits on the morning and include a list of ingredients.

Nenthead

5pm ~ Pennine Praise

Lanwathby

5pm ~ Taize Service

Thought for the Week



Weekly Diary

Monday 4th September

9.30am ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

1.30pm ~ Funeral Service for the late Michael Holliday ~ Church/PMC

2pm ~ Bible Fellowship ~ Skelton Methodist Church

7.30pm ~ Monday Zoom Prayer

Tuesday 5th September

10am ~ Midweek Service ~ Mr. Lawrence Tomlinson – Church/PMC

NO CAP Job Club – Beacon/PMC

Wednesday 6th September

10am ~ 3Cs (Coffee, Children, Crafts) ~ Cottage Wood Centre

10am ~ Coffee Morning – Skelton Methodist Church

1.30pm ~ Sewing Craft Group - Skelton Methodist Church

7pm – 8pm ~ Cottage Wood Monthly Prayer Time - *We are continuing to pray at home, and all are welcome to take part for any or all of the hour.*

Friday 8th September

12 noon ~ Lunch Club ~ Ullswater/PMC

Saturday 9th September

9.30am ~ Cumbria Methodist District Synod - PMC

Sunday 10th September

Penrith: 10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. Tim Cooke

Patterdale: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Andrew Callaway &

Rev. Gillian Belford

Skelton: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Ms Jan Blackshaw

Stainton: 10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. Mary Elliot

All Saints, Calthwaite: 3pm ~ Something New – (No service at Cottage Wood)

Alston Moor: 11am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Keith Speck

Langwathby: 11am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Michael Boone

Kirkoswald: 10am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. David Milner

Gamblesby: 2pm ~ Afternoon Worship ~ Mrs Lois Morton

Renwick: 5pm ~ Evening Worship ~ Rev. David Milner

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## **PMC Sunday Coffee**

Please sign the rota in the kitchen for any dates you can help with during September. After this Sunday, we have no-one on the rota.

Thank you.



*St. Patrick's Church Patterdale*

# *Go lovely rose*



*Eden Baroque*



*songs and instrumental music from the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> centuries*

*Michael Sanderson ~ baritone, violin & viola*

*Katharine May ~ harpsichord*

*Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September*

*6:00pm*

(See [www.edenvalleymusic.co.uk](http://www.edenvalleymusic.co.uk) for more information)



## **Come and Sing Messiah**

This is taking place at St Oswald's Church, Kirkoswald on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7 pm.

They are looking for singers and an audience. If you are interested in singing, it would be helpful if you have sung it before, but it is not necessary, providing you have some singing experience of similar material. If you have any questions about being involved as a singer, then you are asked to be in contact in advance – email: [komesiah@posteo.net](mailto:komesiah@posteo.net).

Tickets for singers and audience £10 – please phone: 01768 898688.



## Great North Run

Isabella Sharrock is again running the Great North Run (10<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023) – this time for 'The Smile Train'.



If you would like to sponsor Isabella, donations can be made via Isabella's Just Giving page or kindly left in the Circuit Office.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/isabella-sharrock-1690038241292>

Many thanks,  
Kerrie Sharrock.

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Healing Service at PMC

Sunday 17th September at 10.30am,
Led by Rev. Gillian Belford.

All are welcome.

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## Saturday 23rd September 2023

## Harvest Supper at 6pm,

*then a presentation from Lee Jackson and Clare Taylor*

**Cumbria Action for Sustainability (CAFS)**

**Cumbria's Charity for Climate Change**

*Pie & pea supper and dessert.*

*Please make a donation.*

*Please let Sheila (01768 885362) or  
Carolyn (01768 840049) know you are  
coming.*



## **Sunday 24th September at 5 pm**

*Harvest Service*

*taken by Rev. Keith Speck*



## MHA Service

Late notice but we are having a Service to celebrate MHA 80 years and including our annual Memorial Service on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm, in Ellwood, to be followed by tea and cakes.

This would replace a Methodist Thursday service, but it would be nice if some people from the church could attend and everyone would be welcome.

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Plants along the Wall at Fairfield and Little Fairfield Wordsworth Street.

Saturday 30th September, starting at 10am.

No money taken but please give a donation to a favourite charity.

Donations of plants and 'gardenalia' welcome.



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**\*Online registration is now open or sign-up on the sheet in reception.**

**Be Boulder** weekend is our church family weekend where we can all come and share in God's love in this wonderful place. On this same weekend we also celebrate **150 years** at PMC.

I'm sure everyone will have some memories, photos, etc. Helen Brunskill is looking for anyone who would like to join her in looking for (or if anyone has any) memorabilia so we are able to decorate the church windows and possibly crush hall. If anyone is interested in getting involved, or has any ideas please get in touch with Helen!!

After the weekend it would be lovely if we could open the Church and invite people of our community to come and look around



## Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing and Coffee Morning will be here at PMC on Saturday 14th October from 10.00 am. All are welcome to come and help.

This will be the 14th year we've packed communal boxes and many individuals and groups have done their own box/es in previous years.

Finish your knitting of teddies, glove puppets, hats, mitts and scarves. Look for small toys, cars, soft toys, balls, crayons, sharpened pencils, pens, rubbers, colouring books, paper, playing cards, flannels, soap, combs, toothbrushes, socks, t-shirts etc.

There are leaflets in Reception to guide you if you need ideas or if you want to do your own box. *Remember no liquids, sweets, toothpaste, war related items or used or damaged items.*

We are always grateful to receive donations towards transport costs as well. The deadline to complete boxes is mid-November. Thank you - Judith Joyce



## 4F Thanks

A massive thank you to anyone who has helped with any of the 4F sessions over the summer. On average we have had over 50 children and adults at each session. Thanks to the grant we have received from the County Council, we have been able to explore new possibilities including a visit to Woggle Goggle, a privately owned swimming pool, and then Walby Farm Park. The families have been really appreciative of our concern for their welfare and wellbeing.



## Thank You Card

We've received a lovely homemade card from the children following the Day in the Lakes at Glenridding.

Please have a look at the photos from the day, along with the card, on the board in the reception area.

# The Circuit Bulletin

Welcome to those reading this bulletin for the first time!

Please send any items to be included in the Circuit Bulletin to the Circuit Office by Thursday morning (contact details are below). As Rev. Dave has already said in his reflection, we would love to receive details of events, regular meetings for the weekly diary and any other good news or stories to be shared.

The Circuit Bulletin can be found on the PMC website and an email link is sent out on Friday. If you wish to be added to the mailing list, please contact the office with your email address.



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**Eden Debt Centre Manager (CAP): Jon Cook** (currently on Sabbatical)

**Contact:** Jen Dixon, email: [jendixon@capuk.org](mailto:jendixon@capuk.org)

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

**East of Eden Mission Community Website:** [www.eastofedenmc.org.uk](http://www.eastofedenmc.org.uk)

**PMC Website:** [www.penrithmethodist.co.uk](http://www.penrithmethodist.co.uk)

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