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There is a time for everything, and a season for every
activity under the heavens
(Ecclesiastes 3:1)

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The Circuit Newsletter exists to build up fellowship across the Stamford Methodist Circuit. Items for inclusion in the Circuit Newsletter should be: *Inspiring, encouraging of faith and discipleship to promote the growth of church relationships within the Circuit.*

Could you please send any articles for the August/September Circuit Newsletter to:
Email: admin2322@gmail.com or by post to the Circuit Office at Stamford Methodist Church

**Articles for the October Newsletter should be sent no later than
Monday 12th September 2022.**



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Dear Friends

Question - How many Methodists does it take to change a lightbulb?

Answer - Change? What do you mean change?

It's an old joke that has circulated for years, and will be familiar to many of all denominations, as that changes depending on which particular denomination is involved but at the heart is something serious - that very often change is difficult for people. Perhaps you'd assume that within the Methodist Church we are more used to change as people - lay and ordained - come and go, as groups and boundaries are altered and re-shaped and as we try and adapt to the needs of our communities in a changing world. That said, often we find ourselves retreating into the comfortable places and trying to ignore what is going on and forgetting that change can often be hugely positive.

Once again as a Circuit we find ourselves going through times of change in discovering what the new normal is and will be, as we prepare to say goodbye to Andy and Helen and welcome to Andrew, as we plan into the future. We celebrate the gifts that have been shared among us and look to what God is doing in bringing new gifts into the mix. Ecclesiastes points us to remember that there is a time for everything - and that within life there are times and seasons and many changes, and to the constant love and care that God surrounds us with. Over into Hebrews where we are reminded that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. In times of change and challenge, the one who gives himself for us remains the constant and helps us to greet change with courage and excitement as we are led further along our journey and as we anticipate and see change, may we all have the grace to look first to what God is doing...

Every blessing

Ruth

Pray without Ceasing August 2022



Suggestions for each day of the month. A few spaces have been left for your own concerns.

1. For people with Birthdays or Anniversaries this month
2. Rev Andrew Hollins
3. Bourne Chapel
4. Deepings Church
5. Rev Ruth Charlesworth
6. Empingham Chapel
7. Ketton Chapel
8. Those who use our premises on Mondays
9. Those who use our premises on Tuesdays
10. Those who use our premises on Wednesdays
11. Rev William Booker
12. Oakham Church
13. Ryhall Chapel
14. Rev Bekkie Wright
15. Thurlby Chapel
16. Uppingham Church
17. Phil Jones Circuit Mission Enabler
18. All those on holiday for rest and relaxation
19. Julia Husbands CF&YM Enabler
20. Barn Hill Church
21. **
22. Those who use our premises on Thursdays
23. Those who use our premises on Fridays
24. Those who use our premises on Saturday
25. For Peace throughout the World
26. Our Supernumerary Ministers
27. All those who are in leadership
28. Our Local Preachers
29. **
30. Circuit Officers
31. Circuit Administrator Rowan

Any suggestions or requests please let Nina Rawlins know on 01780 753649 or email ninarawlins@yahoo.co.uk

Special Services and Events

Tuesday 23 August-in the evening, we will be welcoming the new Superintendent Minister, Rev Andrew Hollins and this service will be held at Stamford Methodist Church.

Monday 26 September– The Gift of Listening, Attentive listening to ourselves, to others and to God-at Stamford Methodist Church
(see page 9 for more details)

Safeguarding Training

The district has released its next online training date for the advanced safeguarding module - this is the one for safeguarding officers, local preachers, head stewards and anyone leading groups/events for children and/or vulnerable adults.

The date for the next Gathered Session (before which the e-learning has to be completed) is Thursday September 22nd at 7.00pm

The link to book is: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/376735184077>

Kaleidoscope Quiet Morning

Saturday August 13th 2022

“Musical Celebrations”

9.15am – 11.30am

The team of Kaleidoscope are starting again after a two year gap. It is so good to get together as a circle of friends to experience a time of peace, meditation and sharing in special moments of being with each other and being with God.

Join us for a morning at Ashbrook, First Drift, Wothorpe PE9 3JL and take time to relax and enjoy the special space.

Tel: Linda Bosworth 01572 823965 to book a place.

Future dates and themes:-

Saturday November 12th 2022 “ Taize Reflections”

Saturday February 11th 2023 “ Darkness to Light”

Saturday May 13th 2023 “ Colours of Creation”

Saturday August 12th 2023 “ Verse and Rhyme”

Garden Visits

Margaret Stones would welcome small groups to visit her garden over the summer July– August by arrangement.

There will no doubt be fruit and preserves for sale.

Any money raised would be as usual for Zimbabwe!

M. Stones: 01572 823626

Thank you....

for your kindness as we left the circuit after 13 years of fulfilling ministry.
It was a privilege to serve alongside you.

Helen, Hannah, Matthew and I wish you every blessing for all that lies ahead.

Our new address is:

54 Hallfields, Edwalton, West Bridgford, Nottingham. NG12 4AA



Conference 2022

Overall impressions

“Inspiring worship, being part of the global church and a greater understanding of the word CONNEXION” (Moyra)

“The presence of the Holy Spirit in worship” (Olive)

“Meeting so many different people with many different ambitions for our Church” (John)

It was all these factors and many more which encouraged us on our faith journeys. Each day began with worship – two joyful services on Sunday where we shared in the joy of the Ordinands (including Bekkie) in firstly the Reception into Full Connexion and then the Ordination Service in St. Chad’s Church (a large round Anglican church just across from the River Severn in Shrewsbury) where further folk from around our Circuit were able to join us.

On Wednesday we attended a deeply moving Service of Holy Communion led by our new President of Conference Revd. Graham Thompson for all District Representatives, Officers from the Connexion and guests from all 5 continents.

The business was at times very complex but the President and Vice-president, Anthony Boateng who, in addition to their challenging addresses, skilfully guided us through a very long Agenda, ensuring that any Representative who wished to could speak on any item under discussion before a vote was taken. Some items could be dealt with swiftly, others clearly needed further investigation and discussion around the Connexion with a vote deferred until next year. Methodism really is a democratic church where everyone has a place and everyone’s voice is important.

Our Circuit Superintendent Revd Andy Fyall completed the small group from the Stamford Circuit who were part of the representation from our District. We were also pleased to have the chance to talk to his successor, Revd. Andrew Hollins who joins the Circuit in September.

Moyra, Olive and John

ONLINE CHURCH

The team that co-ordinates Online Church is currently looking at what we do, how it works and whether what is offered is helpful and relevant to you. We recognise that, for some, what we offer as a circuit is an important part of your life of prayer and worship. However, we really do need some feedback over what is working and what is not working or could be tweaked, changed or stopped altogether.

We therefore have some questions which we would be grateful if you could answer by email, on one of the Facebook posts, by post or tell one of the people who offer online worship.

- 1) Which parts of online church do you value (maybe evening prayers, Sunday worship, the occasional study series, Thursday prayers at Noon)?
- 2) do you use what is on offer? When do you engage with it, on the day it is sent out or later in the week?

Having reviewed numbers of those watching and using the different 'platforms' the following decisions have been made by the group.

From the end of July we will stop using the online church platform for Sunday morning services. The services will still be recorded and shown but directly through Youtube and on the Circuit Facebook page. Weekly emails will still be sent out to provide you with the links to connect to them.

From September the Sunday morning services will be 30 minutes rather than 45-60 minutes long.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

Do you knit, sew, crochet, draw, paint or have a similar hobby and would you like to join others in the church on a Thursday morning for coffee, crafts and a chat at the Well at Stamford Methodist Church

Similar church groups have also embarked on joint projects making things such as face masks, cards for the sick or housebound, banner-making, Knitting for Peace, poppy making for Remembrance Day and nativity sets for local shops.

We will be meeting every 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month there after.
If you are interested please ring Anne Wiltshire 01780 482285.

CHRIS BOWATER CONCERT SATURDAY JULY 9TH

Chris led us in a worship concert at Stamford on the 9th July for nearly two hours. Rather than me wax lyrical as the organiser about what a gentleman and a gifted speaker and singer he is, why not hear from two people who attended the concert – our own Viv Angele from Ketton and Pauline Ellis from Stamford.

Pauline writes:

Chris's consuming passion to draw ever closer to the Lord and to help us to do this through his worship songs was evident. He gave "back stories" to his songs. One that spoke to me was how his special needs child had cuddled close to him and could hear his heart beating. This is how close the Lord wants us to be as we come into his presence. He poured out his heart writing a song as he thought another of his children was going to die. The Lord saved her and she is now married with children. My Grace is Sufficient reminded me of a dear friend who suffered for very many years with an incurable disease and always held onto that verse. A Time for Tears was about the dreadful state the world is in and all the generations that are slipping away – not knowing Jesus. We sang Here am I Wholly Available which was again very challenging and he said 63 thousand Koreans (if I remember rightly) had come to the Lord singing this. He was asked to go and minister there because of this powerful song. He has written so many amazing songs, set up a Worship Academy and many worship leaders have come out of it. He also used to minister for many years in France, and lead a church in this county, and yet he is still a humble and gracious man. So many happy memories and a blessed and challenging evening. I hope he can come again soon!

Viv writes:

Chris Bowater's concert on Saturday July 9th 2022 will be one of those evenings - so powerful and precious that it will remain with me forever. Chris's warm, gentle and humble style melted us all into a beautiful evening of Worship where we truly felt we were in the presence of our Heavenly Father.

We know Chris is an International Worship leader, musician and singer song writer, but the way he interspersed his Worship and music with life stories that all of us experience in different ways, enabled each of us to understand, believe and renew our commitment to our Faithful God. Thank you Chris.

Edited by Phil Jones



TEN TIPS ON BEING A WELCOMING CHURCH

From a piece by Kathryn Taylor, granddaughter of Shirley Oakley from Thurlby chapel

- ◆ You'll be surprised how much of a hurdle it is to even get to a new church in the first place. If you're already apprehensive, not knowing where to park can make the morning very stressful! Does your church website give details on suggested car parking?
- ◆ Is your front door obvious? Is it open? A door that you can't find, and then when you do find it, is closed, is perhaps the most unwelcoming start to a church service you could experience.
- ◆ Do you have someone designated to welcome people? Are they on the lookout especially for visitors? A smile goes a long way, but a verbal greeting and introduction goes even further. At the very least, tell me your name and asked me mine. You don't have to remember it!
- ◆ Ask me if I'm happy to find a seat by myself, or, if you're having a cafe style event, maybe say "Sarah would love to have you on her table, I'll introduce you".
- ◆ If there is an opportunity during the service to speak to a new person next to you, start with a brief "we haven't met before, I'm Bob". It opens up some dialogue.
- ◆ Is your communion process obvious? Is it clear when to go forward and clear when to leave the rail? It is awful when receiving the body and blood of Jesus if this is overshadowed by worries of logistics.
- ◆ At the end of the service, don't just say "there's tea and coffee in the hall" to a visitor and leave it at that. Try saying "I'm going to get a cup of tea, would you like to come too?" That eases the worry of standing alone with a full cup of tea to get through.
- ◆ Introduce me to at least 2 other people: not so many that I'm overwhelmed with names, but enough that if you're not there next week, I might recognise another face and they might notice me. We might even find something in common, such as working in the same place or living on the same street.
- ◆ Invite me to something on during the week, whether it's a coffee morning or Bible study. Offer to meet me there if you're already going or tell a friend that is going to look out for me.
- ◆ If you see me the following week, introduce me to a few more people, and soon enough I will be confident enough to get a cup of tea by myself and start getting to know the church family.

Prayer Handbooks

So far no one has offered to take on my role in the Circuit, so it looks as though I will be ordering the Paryer Handbooks again this year. I have last years list but if anyone wishes to stop taking it or if and new people would like to start taking it, then please contact me as soon as possible. If anyone needs a large print copy I need to be advised of this.

I will be ordering in August.

M. Stones: 01572 823626

STAMFORD METHODIST CIRCUIT

**The Gift
of Listening -**

**Attentive listening to ourselves,
to others and to God**

at

Stamford Methodist Church

on Monday

26th September, 3rd and 10th October

2 — 3.30 pm

Meet at 1.45 for refreshments

To book your place on this exciting new venture please contact either
Audrey Hensman 07951777237 or David Bosworth 01572823965

Epworth Pilgrimage, Tues, Aug 30th – Sat, Sept 3rd, 2022

WHERE? To The Old Rectory, Epworth, north Lincolnshire, birthplace of John and Charles Wesley and home for their upbringing. Their dad was rector of Epworth parish church, often absent, and their mum, Susannah, (had 19 children, 10 survived infancy) brought them up. She taught her own and other village children round her big kitchen table, and tried to encourage in them her own deep faith and love for God. John and Charles went on to start the Christian renewal movement that became known as Methodism. It started round Susannah's kitchen table!

This year two of us will walk this pilgrimage, Robin and myself, leaving Ryhall Methodist Church on the Tuesday at 8.30a.m., to arrive at Epworth on the Friday, about 75 miles later.

On the Saturday, we invite you to join us at Epworth Old Rectory for a picnic, a service together and a guided tour of the Old Rectory.

The pilgrimage has 3 aims:

- ◆ To pray on the way (and be open to whatever God brings)
- ◆ To connect with the Wesley brothers (singing our hearts out I hope!)
- ◆ To raise money 50/50 for Christian Aid and Ryhall Methodist Church development fund towards a new kitchen. You can sponsor us through Stamford Methodist Church GO FUND ME account – details on Circuit website and Facebook page.

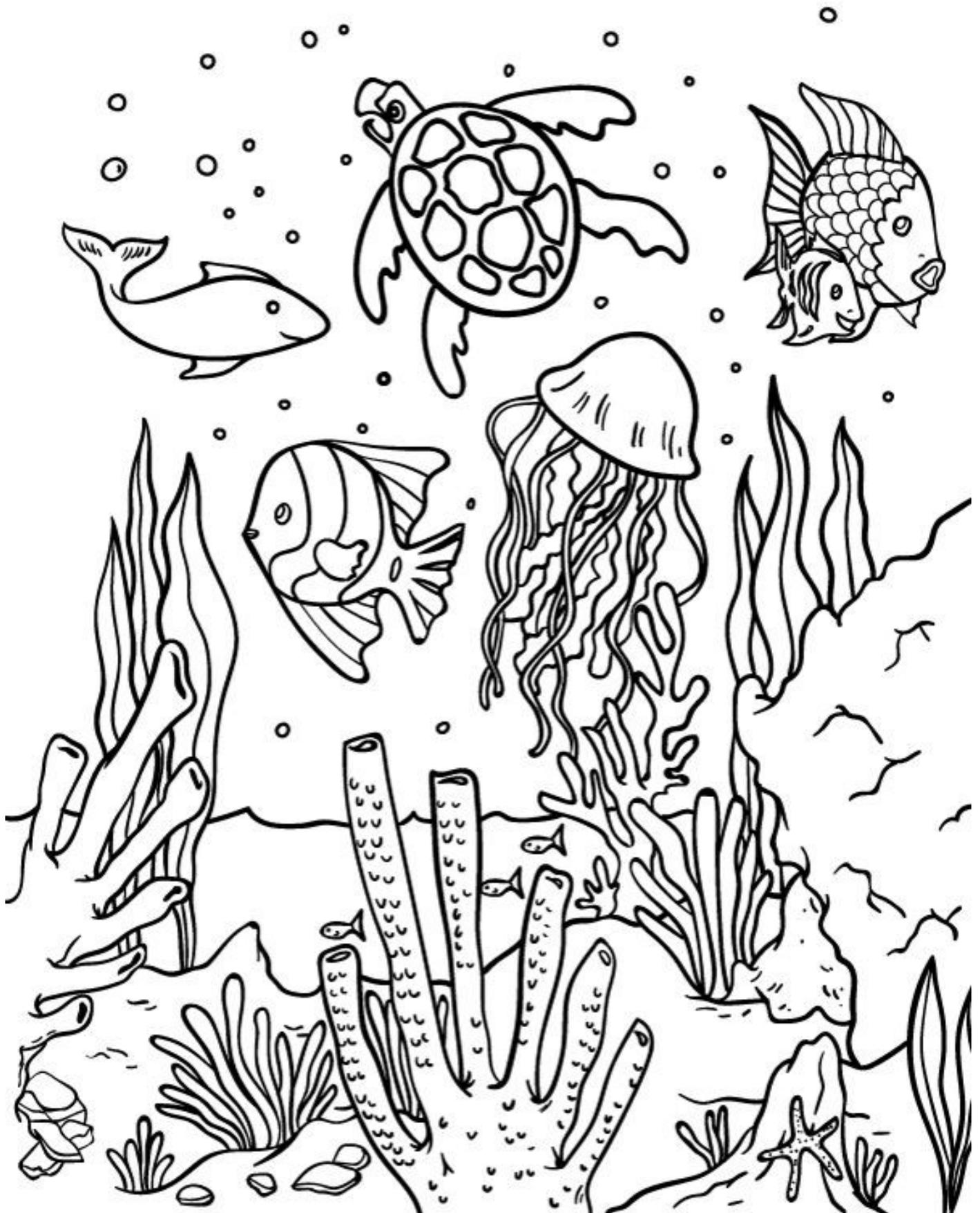
We will post a short daily video about our progress, which you can watch via the Circuit website, Facebook page, or in Youtube, if you enter EPWORTH PILGRIMS 2.

Hope to see you there on Sat, Sept 3rd.

God bless you.
William



Summer Colouring Fun



Friends,

I wanted to thank you for all the love, support, prayers, comments, cards and gifts which I have received following my ordination.

It really was a wonderful occasion and it was a great honour for me to be supported by Andy Fyall on the day. I have so much to share with you and I am collecting photographs and reflecting on my memories as I explore how God was with me on the day and what this means for my continued ministry. I am saving this for a second newsletter article in October when I have had time to really process it all. But one thing I can tell you at this moment is that as I was ordained, you were in my thoughts and prayers. I am very aware that you have journeyed with me, you have shaped my ministry, you have shaped me and I owe you so much. Thank you.

What I would like to share with you are the words I spoke in my Circuit Testimony service. They were based around Luke 1:5-17.

When I was preparing for today, I was certain that I wanted the story of the foretelling of the birth of John the Baptist as one of the readings. However, on hearing it and realising that normally we focus on what that story tells us about John I'm feeling a bit arrogant with my choice "He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord." In the interests of at least appearing to be a bit humble someone else should probably be saying all that about me rather than me stressing it for myself.

But actually, it's the story of Zechariah that I'm drawn to here and that I'm using to understand and frame my testimony this evening. In fact, for me, in this story, all of you, my family, Empingham, Oakham and Uppingham, The Stamford Circuit, the Northampton District, the Queens Foundation where I studied, take the role of John the Baptist in this story. You are a joy and delight to me and I rejoice that you have each taken a role in my life and my journey of ministry in the Methodist Church. As much as this evening is a chance for me to give you my testimony it is also a chance for me to thank you for all that you have done for me and all that you are to me. "I am because you are".

Zechariah is a priest, one among many, righteous in the sight of God, observing all of God's commands and decrees blamelessly. I'm afraid I can't stand here in front of you and claim the perfect following of God and lack of sin in my life. But I can stand here and point to my God, our God, who purposefully created me, who loves me for who I am, who sees who I could be, who I will become and who through nothing but love and grace forgives me, makes me whole and gives me the confidence to stand here, both this evening and every time I stand in front of a congregation, to speak God to you wherever you are in your lives.

I was raised as a Christian, by parents who are devoted to the church and who give all of themselves to God through their work, their love of the church family they are called to be with and through their giving of their daughter to ministry, despite this being my third career and despite the fact that I have not found the journey to this point to be an easy one.

My story begins with the story of Samuel, the part where, as a child, Samuel is asleep one night when God shouts his name from the corner of the room. I first heard this story in Sunday School and our teacher happily told us that this was proof that God can speak to you even if you are a child. That night, as I lay awake in the dark, blankets pulled up to my chin and unable to sleep because I was terrified that God was suddenly going to shout my name from the corner of the room, I made a deal with God: "Lord, if you promise never to speak to me I promise to always believe in you". I still maintain that I kept up my end of the agreement God....not so much.

My aunt tells me that, as a child, I once attended a catholic mass with her. As the service progressed, I pointed to the priest at the front and announced "I want to do that". I don't remember that story but, on being told, I can see how God was calling me to be a minister from an early age.

As I entered my teenage years I was desperate to find a place for me in the church, I held numerous roles including: Sunday School Teacher, church drama group leader, youth group leader, Bible study leader, pastoral visitor, toddler group, Brownies, church office administrator and house group leader. But in each one I always felt that something was not quite right. I compare this feeling to that of Zechariah and Elizabeth who were desperate for a child but getting old and still hadn't conceived. They stayed faithful to God and to each other but something was not right. They did not feel complete.

Finally, I became a Local Preacher, 25 years ago this coming September. In this I felt closer to my calling and more content that I had ever felt before. The desire to preach burnt inside me and I felt so close to God when I was preaching or leading worship.

Returning to Zechariah's story, he will finally be silenced and unable to speak until he names his son John. My story is one of working in the church and belonging to the church but feeling silent until I could name the calling that I had spoken as a child.

That naming for me didn't happen until my first year at the Queens Foundation. I had always been someone who did everything perfectly or not at all and I was desperate to prove I belonged. But now I felt like I was completely out of my depth. I worked and worked, giving up sleeping and eating in order to try and keep up, not just with where I thought everyone else was but to try and get ahead so I could give myself a bit of a break. Looking back, I can see that I was trying to prove to God and the church and those around me that I belonged, when, in reality, the only person who didn't think I belonged was me.

Finally, my body and my brain had had too much. I collapsed with viral exhaustion. I was unable to do anything. But at that point God blessed me. My year group surrounded me with love, even when I couldn't speak or move much. Queens understood what I was going through and helped me to stay part of a community that I was too weak to engage with. The Methodist Church looking, listening, understanding and giving me the time, space, security and resources to regroup, grow in strength. Sudden I could see what it is to be part of a priesthood, part of the body of Christ, part of a community of believers and to be valuable simply because I exist, I am created and loved and not because of my worth in work and achievements. "I am because you are"

Continued...

Arriving in Rutland to closed churches was sad but there was hope of re-opening and excitement that we would soon be together. Unfortunately, two weeks after beginning work with you, on a Wednesday afternoon, the news came that the second Covid wave was coming and we would be heading for lockdown again. I therefore entered this part of my ministry with your prayers of desperation to be together again and to show me who you were as a church family, combined with my prayers of fear that I really could be a minister to you all; theory is one thing, practice is another.

But in all of this God was amazing – God answered both of Zechariah’s prayers in one (his own and for the people) and the result was the birth of John the Baptist. In the same way God answered our prayers as one. As I have explored my identity as a minister and you, as churches, have explored what it is to be church together and how things have changed as we have come back together, we have found a new way of being ourselves and I am so proud of myself and I am so proud of each one of you. I love the Stamford Circuit churches “I am because you are”.

I thank you for your love, your patience, your forgiveness of my weaknesses and what I see as failings, I thank you for the joy you express when you are with me, for the worship of your hearts which means that whenever we are in worship together, we are truly worshipping. I thank you that you see the potential me, you see who I can be and you have faith that I will reach that in my ministry. Even after today, even after ordination I will continue to grow in my calling because of you and my prayer is that I give this same gift back to you.

I’m going to end with God’s words to us in our ministry together. Let us hear them as truth and let us all commit to living up to them:

“You will be a joy and delight to each other, and many will rejoice because of your birth,¹⁵ for you will be great in the sight of the Lord. You will bring back many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God.¹⁷ And you will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the parents to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”

God bless.

Rev’d Bekkie Wright

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Please PRAY for:

Bourne

We pray for Andy, Helen and family as they move on to pastures new and for all ministers who are changing churches. We pray in particular for Andrew Hollins as he joins our Circuit.

We pray for all those changing schools and for those who are starting school or further education, excited and anxious at the same time.

We continue to pray for our "Friendship Cafe" that those who attend feel welcome and able to make new friends.

Deepings

Pray for our Holiday at Home programme on Tuesday August 2nd and 9th. For those organising activities over the two days, and for all who come, that they feel welcomed and enjoy the activities provided.

Continue to pray that we can build on the findings of our Mission Audit and seek God's will for the future of our Church.

Empingham

We pray for the 'Holiday Club' for the leaders and helpers, for children & families and the opportunity of sharing faith in this way.. We pray for a time of blessing and refreshment summer holidays give us.

We thank God for all those who give up there time to help others, through 'Second helpings' and the Food-banks.

Ketton

Dear Lord,

We give thanks and praise for answered prayers. How great thou art !

Bring before you all those who are suffering in one way or another especially any that are known to us, may they find strength, courage, hope, peace and the love that comes from knowing you are at the centre of everything we do. To be loved by you unconditionally brings joy beyond compare.

We thank you for bringing Andy and Helen to walk with us spreading your word amongst us in such an amazing way, we at Ketton wish them every happiness in the next step along the way. They are indeed worthy of being called your disciples and will carry on doing so in their new appointments.

We have been blessed to have known them and our love and blessings go with them All this we ask in your name almighty and everlasting Lord. Amen.

Oakham

Creator of our world, help us to protect the life around us, from the smallest to the largest. We each need to care for everything that you Lord brought to fruition so that we can enjoy your bounty. Each of us has to take the tiniest step towards our future. Keep us working to save the plastics that are filtering across the seas, damaging the wildlife around us. There are so many people who just want to make money from plants you have created, that are striping The ancient trees for acres of palm oil. We all need to pray to stop this greed and beautify our lands again. All we need is enough for each day so that we can live comfortably and encourage others to improve this world, each time we see other making those small steps. Lord we pray that we can improve life with each one step.

Amen

Please PRAY for:

Stamford

Our new Superintendent Minister Rev Andrew Hollins as he arrives in our circuit and settles to a new chapter in his journey.

Those members of our church family who are travelling for their summer holidays – keep them safe Lord.

Our children and young people as they receive their exam results. Be with them, and their families, Lord during this stressful time. May they know you are with them and that the route before them is prepared by you.

The Holiday club that is happening. May your love be felt by those who attend and those who help out, and may their lives be blessed by You.

Thurlby

We thank you Lord for the Summer holidays when we can relax and renew our energies for the coming changes. We pray for a fresh outlook and new ideas for outreach in the village. We pray for all those still feeling the effects of covid and other illnesses and ask your healing for them. We also ask for your blessings on our circuit as we say goodbye to Revs Andy and Helen Fyall and welcome Rev Andrew Hollins.

Uppingham

We pray for all those facing new beginnings at this time of year :

for those going to university, students changing schools or starting school for the first time, those waiting for exam results

for the new President and Vice President of the Methodist Church

for our new Circuit Superintendent

for the government of our country and our new leaders.

May everyone facing new challenges be strengthened and receive wisdom in whatever role they face .

Articles for the newsletter

We are delighted that some of our readers are inspired to submit book reviews, poems and articles to be included in the newsletter.

When doing so, please make sure that you add your name to any item so that folk can follow up if they want to know more.

For published items, please ensure you have the permission of the author and add their name as author of any work.

Please do send in anything you would like to be included in the Newsletter to Rowan at Admin2322@gmail.com

**Please send all entries for the October newsletter no later than
Monday 12th September 2022,**

including Prayers for the Prayer page from Church Stewards

Thank you



STAMFORD METHODIST CHURCH PRESENTS
**Stamford Dog Show
& Family Fun Day**

Sunday 11th September
Stamford Meadows

*Pedigree and
Novelty Classes*

for all breeds of dog

Entry Fee £2 per Class

Dog Agility Course

Hands on Reptile Tent

Alpacas

Family Entertainments

Fair Rides

..... and much more !

Open Air Church Service
10.30am

Registration starts

11.00am

Judging from

1.00pm

All proceeds to
Nixon Memorial Hospital, Sierra Leone
2nd Stamford Scouts new Headquarters
and Mutts Nutts

