

## BURY UNITARIAN CHURCH

### CALENDAR FOR JULY 2010

#### WORSHIP SERVICES

4 July 11.00am The Bury United Reformed Church welcomes members of the Bury Unitarian Church to its service. 11 July 11.15am Members of the Bury United Reformed Church will join the Bury Unitarian Church for this service.

*A special service to commemorate the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the Second World War will be held at the Holebottom Cemetery, Woodgate Hill Road, at 3.00pm., followed by afternoon tea at the home of Les and Jean Heal..*

18 July	11.15am	Sunday Service
25 July	11.15am	Flower Communion Service

#### CHURCH STEWARDS

4 July	Service at U.R. Church
11 July	Alfred Howson and Jonathon Reeve
18 July	Vera Stephenson and Barbara Ashworth
25 July	Anne & Roger Mills

*If you are unable to fulfil your duties on the date given, please inform Harry so that a stand-in steward can be allocated to that date, thank you.*

#### CHURCH FLOWERS

11 July	In loving memory of Tom Jackson
18 July	In loving memory of Mrs Minnie Sharp
25 July	In loving memory of Fred & Eileen Bowdon. Lois, Zilpha and Leah

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#### MEDITATION GROUP

The church's Meditation Group will not meet for the months of July and August, and will resume its normal pattern of meeting on the final Thursday of the month on 30 September at 7.30 p.m. in the church lounge.

#### CALENDAR DEADLINE

All items for the August edition of the Calendar should be in the folder by 18<sup>th</sup> July, please.

#### SATURDAY MORNING COFFEE ROTA

3 July	Margaret Fitzpatrick and Jean Jackson
10 July	Pat Haworth and Jean Taylor
17 July	Barbara Ashworth and Vera Stephenson
24 July	Rene Hollos and Alison Hollos
31 July	Molly Ratcliffe and Betty Kenyon

### **LUNCH CIRCLE**

There will be no Lunch Circle in July.

### **WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

There will be no meeting in July.

### **MEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

There will be no meeting in July.

### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Monday 12 July	7.00pm	Communications & Worship and Young People
Monday, 19 July	7.30pm	Finance and General Purposes
Saturday 31 July	11.00am	Charity
Monday 2 August	7.30pm	Efforts

### **NEWS FROM COMMUNICATIONS AND WORSHIP/YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE**

Joe Ashworth is retiring from this committee after many years of service to Young People in our church and prior to that at Chessham. We thank him for all his work and wish him well for the future.

### **EFFORTS COMMITTEE MEETING – MONDAY 2 AUGUST AT 7.30PM**

We will have a preliminary discussion about the Bazaar to be held on 6 November. Anyone who would like to help at the Bazaar in any way or who has suggestions about stalls is welcome to attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please discuss any thoughts about the Bazaar with Susan Holt or Margaret Fitzpatrick.

### **YOUNG PEOPLE**

Volunteers are sought to help with the Junior Church. If you feel you can help please speak either to Betty Kenyon or to Jeff.

### **CARRY ON CAMPING**

One of the most potent memories I have of childhood is one that is common to children who grow up in the United States of America, but is virtually unknown to youth in the United Kingdom. For one month of the summer season, each year, I would attend summer camp. This involved filling a footlocker with the necessary bed linen and clothing for all manner of outdoor physical activities, hot and humid weather, and the occasional "formal" event—all of which would have to suffice, no matter what was lost, torn or destroyed in the course of the month. What was added to the load of items to pack was the fact that this was no ordinary summer camp. It was a Jewish music camp. It was therefore a requirement that one's instrument (in my case, a trombone), specified sheet music, a metronome, and certain religious books would be included on the "to pack" list. It made for a very heavy load to squeeze into the family car!

The experience of sleeping in a bunk bed in a cabin full of adolescent boys at the height of the summer meant that there was precious little chance of having any privacy or enjoying a quiet night's sleep. The entire day was scheduled with meals, worship, music lessons, choral singing and outdoor recreation. It was great fun to rehearse the Brahms Requiem with the choir, and then run down to the lake for two hours of exercise in a canoe. The highlight of the month would be the Saturday evening recital, when a two-hour-long performance would be given in the main building for the benefit of the parents, who had come to collect their children for the journey back home. Tears were shed as newly-made friends were waved "Good-bye," and the realisation hit that all the fun and games had come to an end . . . until next year.

As we prepare for our own summer church events and private holidays, I can't forget all those marvellous summers at camp, and all the wonderful people I met along the way. I wonder how those "happy campers" are now, and what sorts of lives they ended up living. It was a terrific opportunity to meet people from different backgrounds and parts of the country, and to know that we were brought together by a love of music and a common faith. How can we share some of that adventure in our adult lives, and re-discover the child in us who longs to get away to a different environment, if only for a short stay? Have a wonderful summer season!

**JEFF**

### **BOOK CLUB**

The July meeting of the Book Club will take place on Monday, 26 July, from 7.30 to 9 p.m. The book to be discussed is *In Another Light*, by Andrew Greig. Light refreshments are contributed and shared by members and friends. Newcomers are always welcome to attend, regardless of whether one has read the book or not!

## HOLEBOTTOM COMMEMORATION

The members and friends of the Bury Unitarian Church will be joined by the neighbours of the Holebottom Cemetery at an open-air service on Sunday, 11 July, beginning at three o'clock in the afternoon. As the nation marks the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the Second World War, our congregation will have the opportunity to honour those members who were killed in military service, and whose remains lie buried in the cemetery. Music will be provided by Stand Chapel member, Mr. Cody Coyne, and friends. The service will be followed by afternoon tea, which will be served at Holebottom Cottage, Woodgate Hill Road, which is the home of church members, Jean and Les Heal. If you plan to attend, please sign your name on the appropriate list on the notice board in the church lounge, so that adequate catering arrangements may be made

## ON-LINE CALENDAR

Internet users will already know that our church website contains an on-line copy of each calendar. Until recently only the current calendar has been available, but now the home page contains links to the current edition, and all previous editions this year. I now intend to assemble an archive of as many back editions on-line as time permits. This should eventually form a historical record of the life of our church. In order to access each calendar simply click on the link to the required edition on the home page. The documents are each stored and displayed as pdf files. If required, a free copy of a suitable reader can be downloaded directly from our website by clicking on the "Adobe Reader" button beneath the list of available calendars. Please let me know if you have any difficulty with this new facility.

## POINTS OF INTEREST FROM COUNCIL MEETING

The following issues were discussed at the recent Council Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> June

The arrangements for the annual **Bazaar** will be discussed at the next **Efforts** sub-committee meeting on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August. Anyone with ideas or offers of help are invited to attend this meeting or, alternatively, to speak to Margaret Fitzpatrick or Susan Holt prior to that date.

One volunteer is required to join the **Saturday morning coffee rota**. It is important to maintain numbers as this keeps duties down to every 8 weeks. You do **not** have to commit to do all the baking – suitable cakes can be purchased when necessary. If you can possibly help please speak to Jean Taylor.

The service at **Holebottom** will be held on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> July, at 3.00 pm. Musical accompaniment will be provided by a group led by Cody Coyne.

Following the service tea will be served at Holebottom Cottage, the home of Les and Jean Heal.

Members of the congregation are invited to attend **Bury United Reformed Church** on Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> July, and it is hoped that members of their congregation will join us for worship on Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> July.

The Minister is co-ordinating proposed arrangements to attend the **Buddhist Retreat** at Ulverston on either Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> September. Admission would be free and the visit would last about 3 hours.

It is proposed to have a 'sort out' of the **fridge and freezer**. Anyone who has left items is asked to label them appropriately if they are to be retained, otherwise they will be disposed of.

Sorry to mention it at this time of the year! but as the Christmas Eve communion service will be held on Friday, and the Christmas Day service on Saturday, would you please make it known to the Minister if you would support a service on the Sunday (**Boxing Day**).

## RICE MATTERS

Question: how much does it cost to put a child through high school, in Malawi, for a year?

Answer: 90 kilograms of rice, or £225.00, at £2.50 per kilogram bag.

An organisation called "Just Trading Scotland" has issued a challenge to interested parties to sell Kilombero rice in order to help farmers in one of the poorest countries in Africa to educate their children. This challenge was discussed at the June Church Council Meeting, and Anne Mills has agreed to co-ordinate Bury Unitarian Church's effort. We intend to sell our rice during the weekend of our Harvest Festival (October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>) and hope that **everybody** will feel able to get involved; if each church-member could buy 1 or 2 packets of rice---for individual use, or to sell on to family or friends---we could achieve our aim and have the satisfaction of knowing that we had helped people in the developing world in a tangible way.

Please give some thought---now--- to how you personally might support this effort; as a taster, why not try the following recipe for an alternative rice-pudding?

Cook some rice in a little water for 5 minutes, just enough to soak it up, then place it in an oven dish and cover it with milk, a knob of butter and a decent spoonful of honey and bake for 20 minutes, at 170 degrees C, or gas mark 3.

## SUMMER FUN FOR ALL

### WIMBLEDON TEA AT MOLLY'S

Ivy House, Holcombe Brook

SATURDAY 3 JULY

2PM – 4PM

Tickets £3.00 from Molly

PROCEEDS IN AID OF THE SPEAKEASY APPEAL

### SUMMER TEA

Saturday 24 July 2pm – 4pm

Hosted by Betty & Neville Kenyon  
at Meadowhead

Cakes and scones, tea and coffee

Bring and Buy stall

Raffle

Parson's Pimms

TICKETS £2.50 from Margaret Fitzpatrick

The Efforts Committee would be grateful for donations of cakes for the Summer Tea. Please see Margaret Fitzpatrick.

## VISIT TO KENDAL

This will take place on **Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**, when we shall leave Bury at 9 a.m. and depart from Kendal at 5 p.m. A 29-seater coach has been booked which means that there are still a few places available (as I write); please sign the notice in the lounge if you wish to go, or if you have family or friends who would like to join us.

We shall start from the Freebird coach depot, on Woodhill Road, at the bottom of Brandlesholme Road; Freebird have agreed that there is space in and around their yard to leave cars for the day. Please let me know if you would have difficulty getting there.

I expect the cost of the day to be approximately £20.00, depending on final numbers; this will include coach-fare, a tip for the driver, and entry to The Quaker Tapestry. I intend to collect the money in advance of the trip, on July 11<sup>th</sup> and July 25<sup>th</sup>; once you have paid, your place is booked, and

it will be your responsibility to find a replacement, if you are subsequently unable to travel.

Everyone will need to take a packed lunch; if anyone requires afternoon tea, there is a vegetarian café, next to The Quaker Tapestry building, or several teashops in Kendal town-centre, within 2-3 minutes' walk.

I will post exact details on the lounge notice-board, nearer the time; watch out for these, and for pulpit-announcements.  
Anne.

## Ainsworth Unitarian Chapel – July 2010

### SUNDAY SERVICES in JULY 2010

10.00 am 4 July Mrs Jean Longworth

10.00 am 18 July Rev Beryl Allerton

Normal Services take place twice a month  
(1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays) with visiting preachers

**MEETINGS:** Trustees: 7.30 pm Tuesday 27 July

### NEWS OF PEOPLE:

**Mrs Dorothy Roberts** celebrates a special birthday on 14 July and we send her our warmest Congratulations and wish her a very Happy Birthday!

**Mrs Nora Evans** is having physiotherapy on her broken wrist and hopes to be driving again soon.

**Mr Harry Taylor** continues to have regular treatment on his leg and we wish him well.

**We send our best wishes to any member or friend of The Chapel who is not well at the moment.**