



'Seeking to be the People of Christ at the Heart of the Community'

# Parkwood Methodist Church The Herald



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AUGUST 2018

I was reminiscing recently over some of the songs I used to sing with Northallerton Methodist Church Choir many moons ago. Iris, our choir master at the time introduced us to some of the works by John Rutter - he is one of my favourite composers, though the Tenors were not so pleased! We also did some more secular pieces when it came to performing concerts. The song 'The Rhythm of Life' I loved to sing, it was always a battle to see if you could fit all the words in at the right time as it was fast paced and quite a tongue twister, but I loved the chorus because it exudes the energy and passion we can feel when the rhythm in our life seems to be perfectly on the right beat.

*For the rhythm of life is a powerful beat  
Puts a tingle in your fingers and a tingle in your feet  
rhythm on the inside rhythm on the street  
and the rhythm of life is a powerful beat  
To feel the rhythm of life  
To feel the powerful beat  
To feel the tingle in your fingers  
To feel the tingle in your feet*

We recently had a few days away in Northumberland and visited one of my favourite places, Holy Island. It is such a peaceful place, even surrounded by lots of tourists you can still find tranquillity there. It

reminded me about the rhythm of my own life, that it is important every so often to either go somewhere or step back to see if we need to take some time to address all that we have been doing and give it into God's care so that we are then free to take on new things. Mark 6: 30-32 came to mind. <sup>30</sup> The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup> He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup> And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Even Jesus and the Apostles recognised in the busyness of all that they did, they needed time out or to be away from those activities or people who kept them so occupied, demanding their time and energy. Whether you are working, going on holiday, visiting or looking after family, I hope and pray you are able to find opportunities to sit back and feel the rhythm of your life – to see if you are energised or need to take some time out to re-energise and find that rhythm that brings you to a place of peace and tranquillity. Have a lovely summer, whatever you have planned!

Blessings Jo

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## BIRTHDAYS for August

3<sup>rd</sup> Grace Ritchie  
22<sup>nd</sup> Margaret Brook  
23<sup>rd</sup> Janet Oakley  
28<sup>th</sup> Jean Johnson  
28<sup>th</sup> Alex Ivey  
31<sup>st</sup> Anne Ivey

**SORRY! No Messy Church in  
AUGUST or SEPTEMBER.**

Wondered if the following reminded you of  
anywhere?

## I'M ON A COMMITTEE

Oh, give me your pity, I'm on a committee,  
which means that from morning to night, we  
attend, and amend, and contend, and  
defend, without a conclusion in sight.  
We confer and concur, we defer and demur,  
and reiterate all of our thoughts. We revise  
the agenda with frequent addenda, and  
consider a load of reports.  
We compose and propose, we suppose and  
oppose, and the points of procedure are fun;  
But though various notions are brought up  
as motions, there's terribly little gets done!  
We resolve and absolve, but we never  
dissolve, since it's out of the question for us!  
What a shattering pity to end our committee  
- where else could we make such a fuss.

**Date for your diary:  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018.**

**10.00am to 3.00pm**

**Table Top/Car Boot type sale**

**Are you interested in a table for your  
Personal use? £8 per table  
Limited number available on a first  
come, first served basis.**

**See Joe Lloyd for details and  
availability**

**Marie thanks all for their  
concern after her recent ordeal.  
Much Appreciated.**

## Diary for August/September 2018

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>**

**L V G Coffee Morning @ Mechanics 10.00am-12noon**

**10.45 Service led by Mr Paul Bussey *NO MESSY CHURCH***

**10.30 Joint Service @ OUTLANE. No service at Parkwood**

**Parkwood Breakfast at the DROP BY CENTRE 9.30am - 11.45am**

**10.45 Service Own Arrangement @ MECHANIC'S CENTRE**

**10.45 Service led by Mr Richard Hoyle**

## SEPTEMBER

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>**

**L V G Coffee Morning @ Mechanics 10.00am-12noon**

**10.45 Service led by Rev Charlotte Truman *NO MESSY CHURCH.***

**10.45 Communion Service led by Rev Jo Brown**

**Parkwood Breakfast at the DROP BY CENTRE 9.30am - 11.45am**

**10.45 Service led by Rev David Bidnell**

**10.45 Service led by Rev Jo Brown**

**10.45 Service led by Mr Robert Booth followed by Faith Lunch**