



# Parkwood Herald

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NEWSLETTER OF PARKWOOD METHODIST CHURCH  
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On the 31<sup>st</sup> July when I turned up to lead worship at Scholes I was given a short newspaper cutting. The headline stated that 'Scruffs show no respect'. This was from a man in Hull who had been to worship to find people were wearing shorts, jeans and baggy T-shirts! Luckily for me that Sunday I was feeling rather chilled as I was looking forward to some time off and had gone wearing crop trousers. What would he have said about me?

This got me thinking as I had been preparing what I needed to take away with me, thinking these clothes only get used once a year if we go somewhere sunny. There are times when my best clothes come out – special occasions or important events. This is the same with what I wear in ministry, most Sundays if it is a communion service I will wear liturgical clothing. The norm has been a black cassock and stole (the scarf thingy of the correct colour) and for funerals. The last two years I would have preferred to wear an Alb (white dress thingy) for communion as it reminds us of our Baptism. At college we were encouraged to get what we felt was right and comfortable for us – I've always had a minister who wore cassocks or albs so this was comfortable and reminds me of my place within this act of worship. Unfortunately unlike our Anglican colleagues who received a vestments grant, as a Methodist if you wanted anything including a shirt with dog collar you had to buy it yourself. I had to make a decision – Cassock or Alb, I went for a Cassock. Over the summer I have been able to purchase an Alb, so you will be seeing this a lot now. I know some wonder why I wear them and what the different colours mean – hopefully the following quote will help you understand.

“The generally accepted pattern for changing the liturgical colours of stoles in the Western church is now as follows:

White is worn from Christmas Day until the Sunday after the Epiphany, on Maundy Thursday, from Easter Day until the end of Ascension tide, on Trinity Sunday, for all feasts of our Lord and of his Mother, for Baptisms, Weddings and Saints' Days, sometimes for funerals, and is appropriate for Chapel Anniversaries.

Red is worn in honour of the Holy Spirit for Pentecost week; for our Lord's Passion from Palm Sunday to Good Friday (excluding Maundy Thursday), for Confirmations and Ordinations, in honour of those saints and apostles who died as martyrs, and is appropriate for Covenant Sunday. Violet is worn in the solemn and preparatory seasons, during Advent and from Ash Wednesday until the day before Palm Sunday, and sometimes for funerals.

Green is worn, outside the two great festival and preparatory periods, when no other provision is made.”

(Quote from – BLACKBIRDS AND BUDGERIGARS, A Critical History of Methodist Liturgical Dress. 1786 – 1986, Norman Wallwork)

So when you see me in either Cassock or Alb, have a look at the colour of the stole (the scarf thingy) the colour will tell you what season we are in or if there is a particular festival like Christmas or Easter.

Rev Jo Brown

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAY

18<sup>th</sup> John Oldham

## Dates of 'Breakfasts' 2016

17th September

15th October

19th November

**Saturday 10th September:-  
Barbara's stall at Jack O' Mitre @  
Scammonden is from 2.00 p.m. with  
mainly hand made goods inc. hats  
and scarves.  
All contributions gratefully received.**

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

## ACTION for CHILDREN (AfC)

There is a training day for AfC supporters and friends on Saturday Oct 1st in Manchester 10-1pm. I hope to go and I wondered if anyone else from P/w would like to go.

See Notice on board for details.

- **Please note:- Communion service change for September:- NOW on the 11th with Rev Colin Vere not 18th.**



Craft Fair November 2004

## DIARY FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2016

Saturday 3rd	LVG Coffee Morning 10.00am - Noon
Sunday 4th	10.45 Messy Church/All Age Worship Service
Sunday 4th	Welcome Service for Rev Nancy Ndoho & Rev Rosamunde Page @ Gledholt 3.00 p.m.
Tuesday 6th	Cheerful Chat 10.00am to Noon All Welcome ☺☺☺☺
Wednesday 7th	Drop in Lunch 12.30pm All Welcome ☺☺☺☺
Saturday 10th	Barbara's stall at Jack o Mitre. See Notice Board or Barbara for details.
Sunday 11th	• 10.45 Communion Service led by Rev Colin Vere
Sunday 11th	Longwood Sing 2.00 p.m.
Tuesday 13th	Cheerful Chat 10.00am to Noon All Welcome
Saturday 17th	Parkwood Community Breakfast 9.30am – 12.00 noon
Sunday 18th	Joint <u>10.30am</u> Service @ Golcar Community Centre led by Rev Sue Burton and Rev Jo Brown. <u>NO service at Parkwood or Providence.</u> Followed by Faith Lunch
Tuesday 20th	Cheerful Chat 10.00am to Noon All Welcome
Wednesday 21st	Drop in Lunch 12.30pm All Welcome
Sunday 25th	10.45 Harvest Parade Service led by Mr John Oldham
Tuesday 27th	Cheerful Chat 10.00am to Noon All Welcome
Tuesday 27th	Thank you bags dedication @ Newsome 2.30 MWiB
Wednesday 28th	Focus group and Leadership team meeting John & Elaine's 7.30

## OCTOBER

Saturday 1st	LVG Coffee Morning 10.00am - Noon
Sunday 2nd	10.45 Messy Church/All Age Worship Service led by Mr Iain Spencer
Tuesday 4th	Cheerful Chat 10.00am to Noon All Welcome
Wednesday 5th	Drop in Lunch 12.30pm All Welcome
Thursday 6th	Annual Peace Lecture Israel/Palestine Quakers Meeting House 7.30 p.m.
Saturday 8th	St Marks coffee morning 10.00am-noon
Sunday 9th	10.45 Service led by TBA
Tuesday 11th	Cheerful Chat 10.00am to Noon All Welcome
Sunday 16th	10.45 Service led by TBA
Tuesday 18th	Cheerful Chat 10.00am to Noon All Welcome
Wednesday 19th	Drop in Lunch 12.30pm All Welcome
Wednesday 19th	Church Council meeting 7.30 p.m.
Sunday 23rd	10.45 Service led by TBA
Tuesday 25th	Cheerful Chat 10.00am to Noon All Welcome
Sunday 30th	10.45 Service led by TBA Followed by Faith Lunch