

Welcome

Today's Services

10.30am Led by the Church Stewards
6.30pm Newtown Members to Thurstonfield MC with **Heather Thomas**

Please stay after morning worship for tea/coffee which will be served in the Primary

As a Family Friendly Church, Wigton Road Methodist Church aims to be a community of people willing to explore and develop Christian Discipleship through Worship; through Learning and Care for one another and through Mission and Outreach.

If this is your first visit here, please make yourself known to one of the Door Stewards who will be pleased to give you a welcome booklet listing the various activities which take place here. If you are visiting on holiday please sign the visitors' book which is on the table in the porch. For the benefit of those people who use a hearing aid, there is a Loop System operating in the Church. To take advantage of this, the switch on your aid should be in the "T" position.

Introit: To prepare ourselves for the morning service we will sing through once...

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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Break me, melt me, mould me, fill me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

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Articles/News items etc are invited for consideration to be included in the next edition of **'The Messenger'**. Final date for submission to Moira Wilson is **TODAY**

This is **Christian Aid week**. If you would like to make a donation to Christian Aid envelopes are available in the Church porch. They can then be placed in the offertory plate over the next couple of weeks. Thank you.

What's On, here and elsewhere, for this week and beyond

Monday 14th May

6.30pm **Prayer Group** at Newtown MC

6.45pm **Heartstart and Defibrillator Training** with fire fighters from Brookside Fire Station. This is the second opportunity to attend this important training and enjoyable course of approximately 1½ Hours. Interested? Then contact Janice Gray on either 01228 547768 or 07877301824 for more information or to book a place

Tuesday 15th May

1.00pm **Lunch Club**

2.30pm **Tuesday Fellowship** Michelle Dodds – A musical afternoon

7.00pm **Quiz Night** for the **Derek Beattie Memorial Shield** at Newtown MC
£5 per person (school children £3.50) which includes supper and prize draw. For catering purposes please give names to Marion Proudfoot - 07763118309

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Wednesday 16th May

- 1.00pm** **Prayer Meeting** in the Prayer Room. Amongst other topics we will be Praying with Christians in the Indian Subcontinent, Mission in Britain and those of our members whose surname begins with O or P. If there are any others whom you particularly wish to be included in our prayers, please enter names in the prayer book in the porch.
- 7.30pm** **Wives – AGM**

Thursday 17th May

- 7.00pm** **Café Worship – Do it yourself.**

Sunday Services Pentecost Sunday 20th May

- 10.30am** **Mr Ian Stewart (Family Service)**

- 4.00pm** **Messy Church Confirmation** at Newtown MC with Rev David Firth and Dcn. Melanie Beaven

- 7.00pm** **The Launch of the *Two Rivers Mission Community***

Ten churches of which Wigton Road and Newtown are two, with one Mission – **to make Christ known**. You will be welcome at the launch of this Mission Initiative at St James Church, Denton Holme.

Wednesday 23rd May

- 7.00pm** **Safeguarding Open Meeting** at Wetheral MC with *Graham Kay* the District Safeguarding Officer to discuss matters relating to Safeguarding issues. If you have any safeguarding questions you would like answered, or indeed just want to know more about this important subject, this is the meeting to attend

The Bishop's Chaplain Canon Cameron Butland has as part of his remit the task of furthering contacts with the Norwegian Missionary society. A party of Norwegians are coming over to visit Cumbria at the end of this month and Cameron is organising a day in Carlisle for them. He has asked the URC at St George's to host a tea on behalf of Churches Together in Carlisle at 4pm on **Sunday 27th May** at which one of the Norwegian Clergy will speak on the connection between Art and Religion.

Royal Wedding Event in Bitts Park 19th May 2018 10:00 to 16:00 There is to be a celebration of the Royal Wedding in Bitts Park organised by the Downs Syndrome Society. Maria Holmes has a stall with scripture information/texts, little gifts, a prayer space and a photo booth. She is looking for volunteers to man the stall in 1 hour slots between 10 and 4pm and there is a poster in the Church Hall for signing up. It would also be helpful if you could contact Maria on 07849105124 or email Madgeholmes2016@gmail.com.

Saturday 2nd June 10.00am-12noon - Church Anniversary Coffee Morning. Donations of scones, cakes etc and gifts for the tombola stall will be much appreciated. Proceeds for church funds.

Sunday 3rd June at 4 pm The Carlisle Community Choir are performing a Summer Concert at St Barnabas Carlisle with special guests Belle Vue School Choir. All welcome. Please see the poster in the hall or Barbara Wiggins for more details.

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Flowers from the Church will be distributed today this month by Christine Pritchard and next month by Janice Gray. If you know anyone who will appreciate receiving the flowers, please mention it to the distributor.

Weekly Notices - Items for inclusion in next week's notices should preferably be emailed to: notices@carlislewigtonroadmethodistchurch.org.uk or phoned to Ken Holmes on 01228 535090 as soon as available, please, with Wednesday lunchtime as the deadline.