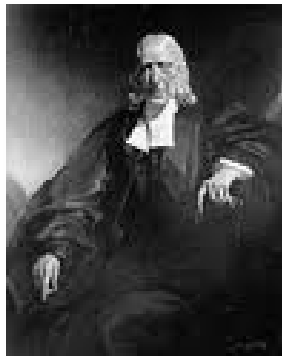


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In This Issue

We are fortunate to have 11 supernumerary ministers in our circuit. A profile of one of them is included in this issue. There is also notification of a series of studies at Mytholmroyd, led by the Rev Tony Buglass, focussing on Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. The first session is on September 21st. There are profiles of two other ministers, two long serving Local Preachers and a Local Preacher on trial. You can catch back issues of the magazine on the circuit website under PWL News or ask for a copy. Profiles, when you have time to write one, are very welcome. Next issue will be for the December meeting. As usual I would also appreciate information if you have knowledge of someone who requires pastoral care from the meeting, i.e. a 'Get Well' card or visit.

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The early days of the Christian faith were sometimes very stormy. The enthusiasm of new converts, the questions and confusions of new ideas, the cultural clashes of the different communities - it all made for a range of problems.

When we read Paul's letters to the Corinthians, we might get the impression that they'd got it all wrong. No, they'd got quite a lot right. But there were some things that they hadn't got right, so some time after his visit, Paul had to write a letter...

Let me explain....
A letter to a church with problems
1 Corinthians

Mytholmroyd Methodist
 Church
 7.30pm

- Sept 21 1. 1:1-2:16
- Oct 19 2. 3:1- 4:21
- Nov 16 3. 5:1-6:20
- Dec 14 4. 7:1-40
- Jan 18 5. 8:1-9:27
- Feb 15 6. 10:1-11:16
- Mar 14 7. 11:17-12:31
- Apr 25 8. 13:1-14:40
- May 16 9. 15:1-58
- Jun 13 10. 16:1-24

ΚΑΙ ὡς ἐθανάτωθη τὸ νόμῳ
 διὰ τοῦ σώματος τοῦ ἁγίου·
 εἰς τὸ γενεσθαι ἡμᾶς ἐτέρω·
 τὸ εἶκνε κρῶν ἕγερούς·
 ἵνα καρποφορήσωμεν τῷ θῷ·
 ὅτε γάρ ἡμῖν ἦν τῆς σαρκὸς
 τὰ πάθηματα τῶν ἁμαρτιῶν
 ταύτων ὡς ἐνεργεῖτο
 ἐν τοῖς μέλεσιν ἡμῶν·
 εἰς τὸ καρποφορῆσαι τὸ θῷ·
 ἡμεῖς δὲ καθ' ἡμᾶς ἡμεῖς
 ἀποτοῦ νόμου τοῦ θῷ·
 ἐν ᾧ κατεχόμεθα·
 ὡς στεροῦμεν ἡμᾶς ἐκ τῆς ἡμετέρας
 καὶ οὐ λαλοῦμεν φωνῆς
 τῆς ἡμετέρας·
 ὅνομα ἁμαρτιῶν ἡμετέρας
 ἀλλὰ τῆς ἁμαρτιῶν οὐκ ἔσθιν·
 εἰ μὴ ἡμῶν
 τῆς ἐγγεγραμμένης οὐκ ἔσθιν
 εἰ μὴ ὡς ἐτέρω



Information from
 the Rev Tony Buglass

This comes under
 the heading of CLPD

Everyone is welcome



Rev Michael Appleyard

Many years ago I was born at Castleford where there is the confluence of the Aire and Calder rivers and apart from eighteen years in Africa my ministry has been in the valleys of these two rivers.

The years overseas were due to service with the Methodist Church in Zimbabwe (Southern Rhodesia when I first went) and after working in both English and vernacular speaking circuits I was appointed to the staff of Epworth Theological College which became fully ecumenical during my time there and later renamed the United Theological College.

My three sons were all born in Zimbabwe and are now happily married, each with two children and we enjoy visiting their homes, Martin and Helen in Abingdon. Andrew and Bianca in Southampton and less frequently Stephen and Pat in Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

On returning to England I served in the Horsforth & Bramley and Keighley & Worth Valley Circuits. It was at Keighley where my first wife, Margaret, died - just a month after the birth of our first grandchild. Two years later I was able to spend a sabbatical in Zimbabwe at the College - accommodation in return for lectures and tutorials - and during that time the Methodist Church also celebrated its centenary. It was good to meet many former students, now ministers. It was also in Keighley that Eileen, a colleague in the circuit, and I were married, the Revd Kathleen Richardson officiating. We both went to Huddersfield Circuits and after five years there became supernumeraries and moved to Brighouse.

While here Eileen and I initiated a Traidcraft stall, which we managed for ten years, fair trade and trade justice issues being shared concerns. I have also been a Local Preacher's Tutor, the Brighouse representative for Christian Aid and a member of the Huddersfield branch of Amnesty International.

I try to keep up with theological and biblical studies and in particular commend recent works concerning Jesus and Paul by Neil Richardson and Tom Wright (British) and the Americans Marcus Borg and John Dominic Crossan. All offer new insights and suggest how we can look at issues in the contemporary world from different perspectives. I have also learned much from our forebears from what can be called Celtic Christianity, particularly with regard to spirituality.

Other interests include travel, exploring early Christian sites, especially where there are Celtic crosses (I have a collection of replicas) and enjoy the detective stories of Peter Tremayne (the pen name of the Celtic scholar Peter Berresford Ellis) whose novels are set in seventh Century Ireland with Sister Fidelma as detective.

Philately (posh name for stamp collecting) is also a hobby and I support my hometown rugby Super League club, Castleford Tigers who nearly made it to Wembley earlier this year.

Both my daughter and I are grateful to Michael who tutored us through Faith and Worship. His knowledge of and insights into the Bible were 'eye opening' and much appreciated. CC



Rev Judith Satchell

It seemed inevitable that I would be a minister! My father is a URC minister and his father was a Congregational minister. I never intended to follow in their footsteps.

I trained as a nurse and worked as a Health Visitor in London, Luton and Sheffield. But God had other ideas for me and I received a call I couldn't ignore- first of all to be a Local Preacher and then a minister.

I trained at the Urban Theology Unit in Sheffield and my first appointment was as a Minister in Local Appointment in the Sheffield Brunswick circuit before coming to Halifax in 2002. I will be leaving next September for pastures new, but with lots of good memories of my time in Halifax. Here I have been the minister at St Andrew's and Salem since 2002, at King Cross for the last 15 months of its life and at

Ebenezer since September 2009. I am also the Free Church chaplain at Calderdale Royal Hospital. During my time in Halifax I have taken 3 groups on Christian pilgrimages to Israel and Palestine.

I live with my husband, Paul who is a civil engineer. We have a daughter, Hilary who lives in Sheffield with her husband Alex and their son Ralph who was born in March and is wonderful! I enjoy walking, all kinds of sewing, knitting and playing the clarinet.



Rev Patrick Taylor

Pen Portrait

I am minister at Christ Church, Hipperholme and Northowram within the Circuit, together with Heywood United Reformed Church, Northowram. So I get called on by two denominations. Plenty of variety then!

A Kentishman, I grew up in a Congregational, later United Reformed, Church. I took a degree in Law and then trained for the United Reformed Church Ministry in Oxford, eventually arriving in West Yorkshire via Wrexham, South Manchester and Mid Staffordshire. This is not the most direct route, but I have been blessed by good people and good learning experiences in each pastorate.

I am married to Thelma who works for Sure Start. We have one daughter who lives away from home and two cats very much at home with us.

When time – and cats – allow, I enjoy cooking, swimming (to control the effects of eating what gets cooked), crosswords, travelling to new places and back to favourite places, and stories of many sorts; history, theatre, films, crime novels and, of course, Bible stories which have been part of my life for as long as I can remember.

The Mytholmroyd Worship Team – more information on these three worship leaders next time.



Kathryn Ogden



Kay Shaw



Angela

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Stuart Brook

During my childhood years (up to the age of 13) I attended the local Anglican Church and Sunday School. The vicar invited me to join the choir - an honour which I have still to receive from the Methodist Church.

When we moved house in 1959, I lost all interest in the Church - and presumably God - and did not attend again until I left school and began my working life.

This was in 1963 when, through the encouragement of a long - standing friend, I began to attend our local Methodist Church. Here I quickly made new friends, many of whom I still have.

I was made a member and in 1965 I received the CALL TO PREACH and was placed firstly ON NOTE and then ON TRIAL. Help and support from the Circuit was nothing like as good as it is today, and partly because of this it was not until 1973 that I became FULLY ACCREDITED.

In my preaching of the Word, whilst I seek for it always to be "GROUNDED FIRM AND DEEP IN THE SAVIOUR'S LOVE" I always endeavour to put across the lighter side of life wherever possible, from my own experience. Resulting from this I hold the largest collection of sermon illustrations on HOLIDAYS IN BLACKPOOL and THE UPS AND DOWNS OF HALIFAX TOWN- a wider variance I challenge anyone to find.

A former minister, before he moved to pastures new in 1966, left me a book entitled "JOHN WESLEY & CO (HALIFAX)", written by the late Eve Chapman. This gives an insight of Methodism in what is now largely our new Calderdale Circuit.

Inside the front cover he wrote these words of John Wesley which I have always found inspirational - I hope you do too.

"I'LL PREACH AS THOUGH I NE'ER SHALL PREACH AGAIN
AS A DYING MAN TO DYING MEN"

To which he personally added,

"MAY YOU HAVE GREAT JOY IN LEADING MULTITUDES TO THE SAVIOUR"
THAT JOY IS YOURS, THAT JOY IS MINE.

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Michael Scott

Information from Michael

He says he preached his first sermon at Pecket Well, 'The Joy of Jesus', mostly taken from 'The Manhood of the Master' by H.E. Fosdick, the popular American preacher.

Michael lived in Hebden Bridge at the time.

His Methodist minister father had graduated to Rochdale by the time Michael preached his trial sermon on 'Christian Freedom', this time inspired by Paul in Galatians.

From there he slowly took off.

A seminal book for him, brought to Halifax LPM by Michael Townsend was 'Preaching in Context' by Neville Clark. This makes the preacher the shoe horn to ease the congregation into the worship it wants to wear.

He says he knows when he has preached a 'duff' sermon and, like faulty motorists, hurries away afterwards, but confesses he doesn't shun Thackeray's preacher's saying 'I'll wag my paw in the pulpit yet.'

Michael became a fully accredited Local Preacher in 1953 (it says in the 'Who's Who') and now lives in Hipperholme. C.C.

Correction to John Travis's profile in issue 4

The paragraph

'Married to the long suffering Lesley in 1982 he became father to the unimpressed Joshua and Jacob.'

Should have read

'Married to the long suffering Lesley in 1982 and father to the unimpressed Joshua and Jacob.'

Sorry John I did not realise I had changed your text.



Linda Bailey

My name is Linda Bailey, I am a Local Preacher on trial. I was born in Pellon, and when I was 2 we moved to Southowram, where I have lived on and off for 47yrs. I have a son called Richard who is 27, he went to Birmingham University when he was 19, and stayed there. He now works in the Sandwell and Birmingham City Hospital in the Lab, testing bodily functions!! Well someone has to do it!!

I work in Southowram ~ catering sales assistant at Marshalls concrete works, and a school cleaner at Withinfields Primary school. I go to Boothtown & Southowram Methodist Church. At the old Southowram Methodist Church I have been ~ a steward, J.M.A. secretary, BB warrant officer (not official), play group leader, fundraising team captain, Ladies club speaker's secretary. I am also a member of the Southowram Horticultural & Allotments Society and up until last year I was their speaker finder secretary. I have given all these up so I can concentrate on my studies.

I enjoy reading, listening to classical music, and CD's of mainly songs from the shows and classical. And when I get the chance I watch my favourite DVD which is 'The Lake House', wonderful chick flick! and I am a fan of the soap Home & Away!

I am enjoying doing the faith & worship course, and going to different churches around our circuit meeting lots of interesting people. My mentor is Mr. Chris Robinson and my tutor is Mrs. Wendy Tolson and I am very grateful for their patience with me, hopefully with their help and especially with God's help I will complete this course and join the ranks of you all, as Local Preachers.