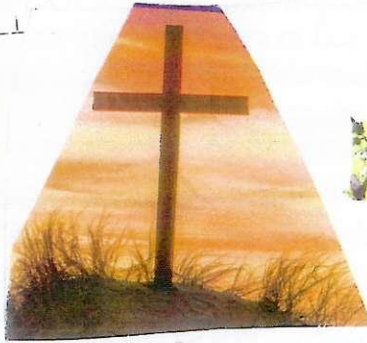


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# The Bricknell Link



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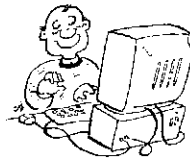
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**BY THY GLORIOUS RESURECTION**

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Dear Friends.

At the time of writing we are in the penitential season of Lent as we follow Jesus on his difficult journey to the cross. It is a time of reflection on what it meant for Jesus to give up his life for his friends and to save humanity from the trappings of sin. It is a time when we also think more generally about what it means to give things up.

As Christians we affirm Jesus' act of self – sacrifice on the cross as the ultimate statement of God's love for each and every one of us. Then Jesus' resurrection, which happens three days later on Easter Sunday, further reveals Christ's victory over death in which we can all hope and share. For it is through God's act of self - giving love that we are reconciled to God and to each other.

Sadly, the world frequently does not follow the way of love. Recently I have been shocked and horrified to hear of the attacks that have occurred against Muslims in New Zealand and in Europe. These killings demonstrate the outworking of hatred and evil that stands in opposition to the Gospel of Christ. In the Lent liturgy for Holy Communion, found in our Methodist Worship Books, we are reminded of Jesus' command to "love your neighbour as yourself" and "just as I loved you, you should also love one another." This love of neighbour is entirely unconditional and is at the very heart of our Christian faith. In a world where there is much division, conflict and hatred Jesus' act of self – giving love shows us the true way that God desires us to live in love. We love because God loves us first.

In the season of Lent we often give things up as part of our fasting. Examples might include chocolate, sweets, alcohol or smoking. Yet there are even more important things that we could use Lent to give up; our unforgiving nature, our prejudices and our hatred towards others. Instead we can be stripped of these things as we allow the Holy Spirit to enter our hearts and minds in order to provide us with divine love and the peace of God.

So, what will you be giving up this Lent & Easter, and will you allow the life giving and life transforming love of God enter into your heart and mind? I hope and pray that you will.

Every blessing,

Rev. David



### WORSHIP AT BRICKNELL

April

7<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Mr. Andy Umpleby. ( Passion Sunday)

14<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Rev. Gwen Newton. ( Palm Sunday)

21<sup>st</sup> ( Easter Sunday)

9. 45 a.m. Rev. David Speirs (Holy Communion)

10.30 a.m. Mr. William Bryan-Smith

28<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Rev. Dr. Iain Ballard

May

5<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Mrs. Peggy Wadsworth

12<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Rev. David Speirs

Family Service & Holy Communion

19<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Mrs. Ann Baker

26<sup>th</sup> 10.30 a.m. Mr. Kevin Appleyard

## FLOWER LISTS

### Providers

April	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Irene & Stuart Atkinson
14 <sup>th</sup>	Ruth & Robert Carr
21 <sup>st</sup>	( Easter Sunday ) Congregation
28 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Farmery
May	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Phil Haire
12 <sup>th</sup>	Chris & Cathy Elton
19 <sup>th</sup>	Vernon & Sue Barker
26 <sup>th</sup>	Stella Matthews

### Flower Arrangers

April	
7 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>	Jennifer Toyne
21 <sup>st</sup>	Anne Drewery
28 <sup>th</sup>	Sue Barker
May	
5 <sup>th</sup> - 26 <sup>th</sup>	Lynda Hill



### Flower Distributors

April	
7 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sylvia Usher
21 <sup>st</sup>	( Easter Sunday ) - Congregation to take out
28 <sup>th</sup>	Sandi Readhead
May	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Sandi Readhead
12 <sup>th</sup>	Anne & Geoff Drewery
19 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Farmery
26 <sup>th</sup>	Anne & Geoff Drewery

## DIARY of EVENTS



## April

Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> 7.45 p.m. Bricknell Friendship Group  
Yorkshire Air Ambulance - Marion Gamble

Wed. 3<sup>rd</sup> 4.00 - 6.00 p.m. Messy Church

Thurs. 11<sup>th</sup> 1.00 - 3.00 p.m, Thursday Social  
( Please see also p. 7 )

Sat. 13<sup>th</sup> 10.00 - Noon Church Coffee Morning

Tues. 16<sup>th</sup> 7.45 p.m. Bricknell Friendship Group,  
The wonderful world of Insolvency - Alan Amess

Thurs. 25<sup>th</sup> 1.00 - 3.00 p.m. Thursday Social

Tues. 30<sup>th</sup> 7.45 p.m. Bricknell Friendship Group.  
Titanic: life on board - Sheila Dixon

## May

Wed. 1<sup>st</sup> 4.00 - 6.00 p.m. Messy Church

Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup> 1.00 - 3.00 p.m. Thursday Social

Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> 10.00 - Noon Church Coffee Morning

Tues. 14<sup>th</sup> 7.45 p.m Bricknell Friendship Group.

My life in the police force - Les Holmes

Frid. 17<sup>th</sup> 7.00 p.m. Lewis Scott concert.

( Please see p.7 )

Thurs. 23<sup>rd</sup>. 1.00 - 3.00 p.m. Thursday Social

Tues. 28<sup>th</sup> 7.45 p.m. Bricknell Friendship Group  
Anton entertains

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## THANK YOU'S

Thank you for flowers brought to me from Church by Sylvia Usher.

Joan Fairbrother

Thank you to everyone who sent cards and well wishes to Liam and I after the sudden death of Phil. Also for all those who attended his funeral. It was greatly appreciated, and to Rev. David Speirs for taking the funeral service.

Susan & Liam

Thank you very much for the beautiful flowers which Sylvia brought me from Church and her staying to have a chat.

I also appreciated the concerns and the good wishes you sent.

Alice Paddison

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### Change of Address

Malcolm and Carol Lucas have moved house and their new address is:

12 Mount View  
North Ferriby  
East Yorkshire  
HU14 3JG

Telephone number remains unchanged - (01482) 445391

Email: Malcolm - [mhlucas@mhlucas.karoo.co.uk](mailto:mhlucas@mhlucas.karoo.co.uk).

Carol - [carol@mhlucas.karoo.co.uk](mailto:carol@mhlucas.karoo.co.uk).

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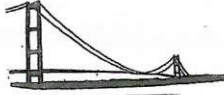


## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### HUMBER BRIDGE CROSS

11<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019

Hello Everyone



The Bridge Cross in support of Christian Aid has come round again.

I hope to be doing the walk again this year and your sponsorship will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

Margaret Farmery

### A CONCERT



Lewis Scott, Organist

Friday, 17 May 7 p.m.

Tickets £5.50

Includes light supper

Tickets available from end of March

Contact Pauline or any steward or

Email [paulinewinn@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:paulinewinn@hotmail.co.uk)

Lewis was born in Cottingham and has played the organ from 8 years old, becoming National Champion 2016

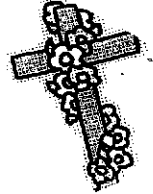
### THURSDAY SOCIALS

These are held every fortnight from 1p.m. to 3p.m. at Church.

Features include jigsaws, knitting, crochet, card games, art & crafts, puzzles, child free chats and more. Refreshments provided

## FLOWERS FOR EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 21ST

Once again for Easter please could I have donations for flowers, also could you bring flowers from your garden to decorate the Easter Cross.



After the service the flowers will be available to the congregation to take to friends, family or neighbours.

Thank you, Anne Drewery

## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK: Saving lives or knowing we could stop deaths

Each year in Christian Aid Week one country is highlighted to show that donations here support local churches, be they in Brazil, Sudan or with Syrian refugees to help people. This West African country is one of the poorest in the world, and in the last 25 years has endured civil war, the ebola crisis and recently an avalanche mudslide in Freetown which buried about 400 people.

Women suffer most in poor countries like this: less likely to stay on to secondary school, often forced or even sold into early marriage, having children too early in life, always working, and rarely paid the same wage as men. To show Christian Aid's commitment to education and fairness for women, this year's theme concentrates on projects which are



creating better health care for pregnant women, midwifery training, and strengthening family support for mothers and babies. Saving lives.

Christian Aid Week this year is 12<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> May. Last year £8m was raised and 57,000 people volunteered to help with collecting, and other activities. Thank you for help you gave. Look what was achieved across the country. In this area the Humber Bridge Cross is particularly successful. Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> May is the date. If you can help by being sponsored to do the Bridge Cross, great! Please ask for a form. Otherwise Margaret Farmery has put in a strong request for sponsorship. Collecting and personal giving make up the biggest response. Can you help please?

A special Christian Aid meeting will be held on Monday evening, 1<sup>st</sup> April, with two Sierra Leoneans, Rev. Landsford Penn-Timity and his wife Grace, telling us about their country. Not many areas have a Sierra Leonean Methodist Minister and a Sierra Leonean nurse to put us in the picture. The meeting is at Sutton Methodist Church, starting at 7.30. Come and hear more. I will be glad to give lifts to people.

Sylvia Usher,  
Christian Aid Organiser at Bricknell

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## **NEWS FROM THE CIRCUIT MEETING**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019

The meeting opened with devotions led by Rev. Dr. Iain Ballard.



## Circuit Stewards Report

The Circuit is still looking for a Manse suitable for the new Superintendent, and to fund this are hoping 21 of the other Manses which are not required. Approval has been given for the sale of one of them. More stewards are urgently required for the Circuit.

## Good News

Selby Street have been monitoring a girl with problems and have housed her in International House and things are improving.

## Clowes

Their Alpha course ran an afternoon and they said the response and outcome was very good.

The Pastor for Hull Royal Infirmary, Rev. Tony Brookes thanked everyone who is making muffs for the dementia patients and said it was really appreciated.

## Finance

Malcolm presented the budget and assessment allocation for 2019 / 20 which show that the Circuit's finances are in good order.

## Property

The Circuit Property Steward Mrs Annette Ward passed a wonderful complement to David Johnson of Bricknell Avenue from the person who carried out the Quinquennial Inspection.

He said the efficiency of the care of the property and also the paperwork was really good and also the help they received to do the inspection.

### Food Hygiene



Mrs Sue Weatherall stated that Bricknell had its inspection on the 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and again achieved a score of " 5 " which is the highest one. She did point out that 2 documents which were needed for the files had not been offered to any other churches needing them.

### Local Preachers

James Kerridge is still on Trial  
Rachel Getgood is still on Note



### Local Pastor Support

Matt Sheard is due to take up an appointment as a probationer Minister in the Bede Circuit near Newcastle from September 2019

Mr. Peter Vince will be assisting Rev. David Speirs for 8 hours a week from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 as David's workload has increased.

### Chairman's Comment

Rev. Leslie Newton spoke once again about the pressure on Circuit Stewards and other people in responsible positions. He asked if the Circuit Members could think of some way to help reduce this problem.

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