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Welcome to Worship at Fellside Church - Sunday 15th May

The wearing of face coverings in church is not legally required, but we shall continue to provide socially distanced seating at the rear of the church for those who would like to wear face coverings and sit slightly apart from others.

Worship Services

This Sunday: 11am service led by Ann Walker

Next Sunday (22nd May): 11am service- Local worship
12.30 short baptism service for baby Amber-Lily - regular church attendees are very welcome to attend and support the family and friends who will gather, and help make the church's baptismal promise.

6.15 service - Rev Trevor with Holy Communion

Circuit wide phone -in services

The regular Circuit wide phone -in services at **10.30am & 6pm** are continuing. Please contact Trevor (see contact details above) if you would like further help in accessing these services.

Our website is updated every week with information and photos. If you need any information about up and coming events at Fellside Church please try our website. <https://www.fellside.co.uk/>

If you would like anything included in the newsletter please email Fellside notices before 9pm on Friday.
fellsidenotices@btinternet.com

General Church Meeting last Sunday

Our current team of stewards - Joy, Amy, Seb & Avril - were reappointed for a further year . The following church members were appointed to serve on Church Council during the coming year - Pamela Donaldson, Gillian Gardner, Joyce Johnson, Sonia Robertson, Margaret Simms, Jean Wood, Kay Zwolinska.

On Sunday June 5th, to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we shall hold a faith lunch following the morning service which will highlight the Queen's Christian faith and 70 years of loyal service.

The meeting agreed to pay £32,000 for Circuit assessment in the year 2022-23 (a reduction from £35,500 in this current year). Although rental income had risen in recent years, Sue our treasurer noted that offerings had gone down over a number of years as our membership had reduced (it now stands at 62). Sue asked everyone at church to consider prayerfully their giving, and whether they are able to give more both financially and of their time.

Monday Prayer Group

Next Monday Prayer meeting at 10am will be on **May 23rd**. All welcome.

Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid week begins this Sunday - you can give at caweek.org. Its work and funding will contribute to the alleviation of the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, of the war in Ukraine and of the food crises in Zimbabwe and around the globe.

UN International Day of Families

This Sunday is also the UN International Day of Families, and the charity "Embrace the Middle East" (formerly "Biblelands" - see embraceme.org) asks for specific prayer for families living in the Cairo slum of Ezbet El Nakhl, where the Salaam Centre works to build a healthier, safer society. One of its projects provides medical care, counselling and legal advice for women facing domestic abuse.

Save the Children - Work in Ukraine

Seb Bees has completed his walk to fundraise for Save the Children in support of their work with children. At the time of writing he has raised £988.

If you would like to support him, you can donate to his JustGiving page by pasting the web address below into your browser:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sebastian-bees?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=sebastian-bees&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=8d0fe07f95e0424bb239197946a3d614.

Donating through JustGiving is simple, fast and totally secure. Once you donate, they'll send your money directly to Save the Children, so it's the most efficient way to give - saving time and cutting costs for the charity. Thank you

Ukraine

Thank you for those who have already donated to The Methodist Church/All We Can for the Ukraine crisis. Please place your offering in the marked plate for the morning service, or in the general collection in an envelope marked Ukraine at other services. So far, £721 has been donated to All We Can.

If you prefer to give on line, <https://www.allwecan.org.uk/donate/ukraine/>
Thank you.

Prayer Chain

This Ministry still continues with six people participating -
Joyce Johnson, Joy Chambers, Kay Zwolinska, Susan Lumley, Marilyn Moore and Janet Stephenson.

If you have a prayer need please contact Joyce Johnson on 4882651 or speak to anyone else on the team.

Coffee and Tea Rota

Hello - can you help and join our coffee and tea rota for Church on a Sunday morning?
We are looking to fill Week 5 - May 29 and July 31. The rota is on the notice board next to the prayer room.
If you can help please speak to Joy or Avril. Thank you

CSW Prayer focus - CSW's work with indigenous religious minority women who have suffered because of their religious beliefs.

CSW's 2021 report "Let her be heard" was the first of its kind; it was the first time many of the women had been asked to share their experiences. Pray that the sharing of these stories and taking action, will bring change for greater freedom and justice for indigenous women from religious minorities.

It's Your Move - please pass on information to anyone who might be interested. Thanks.



Your Secondary School Survival Guide!

**Sunday 26th June, 6:30-8pm
at Ryton Methodist Church**

A time for Year 6 children to come together and discuss what moving to Secondary School might be like.

- *Pizza Meal
- *Meet others
- *Games & discussions

Book in with Sam Cree before 20th June:
sam.cree@swtyneside.org.uk

Items for Refugees

Ian Ramsay has made several deliveries to Whitehall Road and has built up a good relationship with the people there. They are looking for: clothes, children's toys, house hold and small electrical items, plates, cutlery and any donations of food.

If you are able to donate any of the above items they can be brought to the church or Ian can pick up. Items are dropped off at Whitehall Road every 2 to 3 weeks. You can contact Ian on 07714241959. Thank you

Prayer (thanks to Susan for the newsletter weekly prayers)

Magnificent God, we thank you that such an immense deity as you loves to know and help the meanest human beings. We pray for those who seek and desire to know your presence and require the strength to carry out your holy will in the world.

Be very real to those who are victims of war and of Covid and give them your light of hope in their trouble.

Be very real to us as Christians so that we may learn more of your character and how to worship and serve Christ as he deserves.

Go with those who are going into dangerous situations, whether it be in aid of war or medicine and help them do the good actions they wish to do in your name. Keep them safe, careful and alert to danger.

Let us recall those who do not yet know the friendship of Christ, your son. He longs to know them May we be agents of evangelism in the bringing of his salvation grace not only by our words but also by our actions towards them.

Let us not be afraid to seek your friendship in our lives and seek to discern your will for the world so that we can willingly bring about your kingdom in our towns and cities.

Bless all who teach us about you, O God. Amen