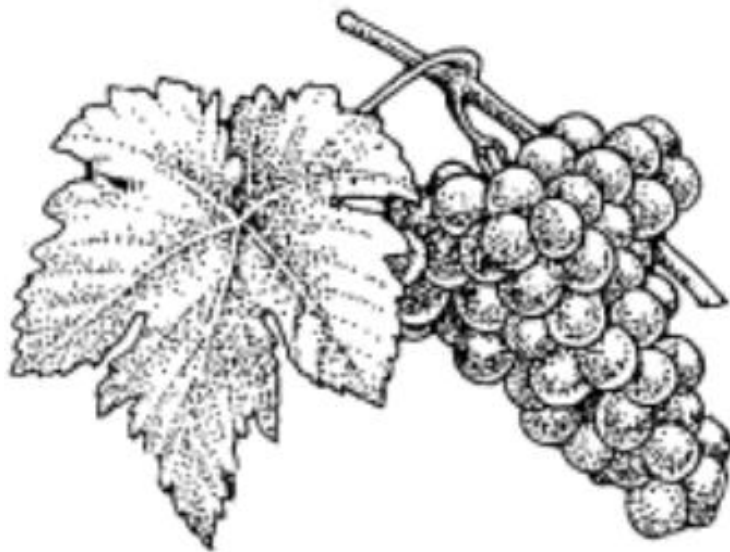


# **GROVE VINE**

**The Magazine of  
Grove Methodist Church  
Horsforth, Leeds**

**November 2010**



**The Grove Methodist Church is called to respond to the  
Gospel of love in Jesus Christ and to live out its discipleship in  
worship, service and mission**

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## **Regular events**

### **Sunday**

- 10.20 Creche (0-3yrs) 216 0678
- 10.20 J Team (tots to 12s) 258 8803
- 10.30 Worship
- 6.00 Worship (alternate Sundays at Central Methodist Church)
- 7.30 Studio Dance SNYG 258 9093

### **Monday**

- 12.15 Luncheon Club 258 3807
- 1.30 Network Women's Fellowship 258 2285
- 6.15 Beavers 258 1814
- 6.15 Cubs 258 0654
- 7.45 Scouts 228 7047
- 7.45 Flower Guild (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in the month) 258 4520

### **Tuesday**

- 9.00-9.30 Prayer Group 258 8803
- 9.00-12.00 and 12.00-3.00 Pre-school 258 9093
- 10-11.30 Coffee in the Centre small hall 258 3568; quiet room available for prayer. Jean Kemp's hand-made greetings cards will be available on the first Tuesday of each month
- 6.00 Rainbows (5<sup>th</sup> Horsforth) 259 0555
- 6.15 Brownies (5<sup>th</sup> Horsforth) 258 3670
- 7.45 Guides (5<sup>th</sup> Horsforth) 202 9010

### **Wednesday**

- 9.00-12.00 Pre-school 258 9093
  - 1.30 Line Dancing 258 7444
  - 6.00 Rainbows (14<sup>th</sup>) 258 5519
  - 6.15 Brownies (14<sup>th</sup>) 250 4907
  - 8.00 Explorer Scouts 258 0882
  - 7.30 Wednesday Break (fortnightly - 225 2734)
- (Continued on inside back cover)

## **After the sheaves have been brought in...**

Harvest does not end with the Harvest festival. That festival is an expression of joy at the fullness of God's love for us, and thanksgiving for the provision of food and drink we have received. We bring the gifts as a token of thanks, but also as a sign that we are willing and wanting to be part of God's gift-giving to the world. Those who receive the gifts can then give thanks in turn.

Harvest does not end with the Harvest festival. Work continues on farms throughout the world, harvests occur as the local climate dictates, and shop shelves are supplied all year round. The vast network of transport systems that bring coffee to our breakfast tables and mangos to our fruit bowls functions night and day. Somewhere today, there is Harvest.

Harvest does not end with the Harvest festival. We should constantly be giving thanks to God for all the work that goes on, all the lives that are lived so that others may eat and drink. We should also keep an eye on whether that work is done for companies that treat their workers well, or badly. Do we have comfort at another's cost? Can those who harvest afford their own crop?

Harvest does not end with the Harvest festival. We are looking at a situation where groups who work with the seriously disadvantaged are having their grants cut, and where many are going to have trouble providing for themselves and their family. Our giving must continue so that we can continue to be part of God's gifting to all.

Harvest must not, cannot, dare not end with the Harvest festival.

*Rev Ali Jones*



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## Sunday Services in November

7 <sup>th</sup>	9.00	Rev. Alistair Jones – Holy Communion
	10.30	Rev. Alistair Jones – Scout & Guide Sunday / Parade
	6.00	United Service at Central
14 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Rev. Dr Albert Jewell
	6.00	Rev. Alistair Jones – Holy Communion
21 <sup>st</sup>	10.30	Mrs J Ebenso – World Church
	6.00	United Service at Central
28 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Rev. Alistair Jones – First Sunday in Advent
	6.30	Lister Hill
Dec.5 <sup>th</sup>	9.00	Rev. Alistair Jones - Holy Communion
	10.30	Rev. Alistair Jones - Family Parade / Toy Service
	6.00	United Service at Central

If you are unable to get to church because of transport problems, please phone the Hearn's on 281 8176; they will be happy to arrange a lift for you.

This service is so much appreciated by those we help, and the Hearn's would like to thank those who already provide their time and use of their cars. Having lost 3 drivers recently, if there are any more members who feel they could help with this on Sunday mornings then please contact Ricky or Christine.

## Flower Rota for November



7<sup>th</sup> Scouts and Guides and Mrs C Hoyle  
14<sup>th</sup> Mr & Mrs P Maud and Mr & Mrs N Kaye  
21<sup>st</sup> Mrs J Douglas and Mrs C Hearn  
28<sup>th</sup> Mrs M Allen and Mrs S Galbraith

Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> Mrs J Marshall; Mr & Mrs P Mawson and  
Mrs C Turner

## Church Family News

**Please remember in your prayers:** Pat Blackah, Poppy Busfield, Cynthia Hatton, Wilf Hoyle, Robert Lawson, Stan Ramsden, Chris Shagouri and Eileen Stones; Jean Orton whose mother died recently; others recently bereaved, friends who are housebound, and those who are caring for loved ones, who all need our prayers and help at this time.

## Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival in October brought a host of foods that we were able to distribute to local groups. Caring for Life and The Horsforth Live at Home Scheme have expressed their sincere gratitude to everyone at The Grove for their contributions. A particular thank you goes to the leaders, parents and young people of our uniformed organisations and pre school groups, for the gifts they brought and the cheerful way that they presented them.

## Stewards on duty

Nov 7 <sup>th</sup>	Kathryn Bussey Andy Walker	Nov 14 <sup>th</sup>	Betty West David Buckley
Nov 21 <sup>st</sup>	Gordon Mellor	Nov 28 <sup>th</sup>	David Buckley Carole Abel

## A SEA SYMPHONY

Ralph Vaughan Williams' "A Sea Symphony" was first performed in Leeds Town Hall, as part of the Leeds Festival, on 12th October 1910 to wide acclaim, with the Leeds Festival Chorus conducted by the composer. The first London performance was 4th February 1913! To mark the 100th anniversary of the first performance it is to be given again in Leeds Town Hall on 20 November 2010 - Leeds leads as usual!

My first encounter with RVW's music was "Fantasia on Greensleeves". Detecting an interest, my mother later took me to Beverley Minster and said I was reduced to tears at a performance of "The Lark Ascending", played by Jean Pougnet and the BBC Northern Orchestra conducted by Adrian Boult. Imagine those soaring violin notes echoing around in the Minster acoustic. I asked mother to keep quiet about the tears - 'street cred' at risk as a teenager!

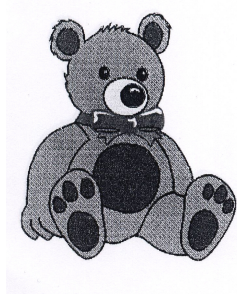
During National Service in Germany around 1957, 15 of us had represented the Royal Artillery at rugby against the Royal Canadian Artillery - we came second! We were splendidly entertained to a meal in the Canadian version of the NAAFI - Maple Leaf Services - and, browsing through record racks containing Elvis Presley, Joe Loss and Frankie Lane I came across "A Sea Symphony" by RVW (London Philharmonic Chorus under Boult with John Cameron and Isobel Baillie on 2 LP's). They were £1 each when classical records were around £2 in the UK. Full Symphonies were not my 'bag' at the time, but being 'a sucker for a bargain' I bought them. When I played them on my barrack-room record player I was blown away by the gorgeous sound and the moving words. If all symphonies could involve me - as this one did - I was converted, and bought symphonies 3 & 5 when next at MLS. I was set on a personal mission - already lasting over 50 years - to promote the music of RVW, and indeed all British composers. Over the years I have met an increasing number of fellow enthusiasts, so I am not alone!

The Symphony broke new ground being entirely choral - as it did with the scoring where often singers are supported by orchestra but not directly accompanied. Until then no-one had written 4 movement choral

symphonies as far as I know, but RVW's work is in 4 "singing" movements with words by Walt Whitman, American Civil War poet. The first "A Song for All Seas, All Ships" opens with a blazing fanfare followed by a thrilling chorus - "Behold the Sea itself and on it's limitless heaving breast, the ships" - and goes on to celebrate heroes of the sea and mourn those "who went down doing their duty". The second, "On the beach at night alone" has thoughts which arise when contemplating the vastness of the sea and sky. The third is a scherzo "The waves" evoking the vigour of the sea and temporary disturbance caused by a passing ship. The last movement "The Explorers" contemplates our planet "swimming in space, covered all over with visible power and beauty" - creation, Adam and Eve, the second coming of God and the migration of the Soul as a ship sailing away "O daring joy, but safe! are they not all the seas of God"

There are a number of recordings - I have 6! You can try it for £5.99 from Naxos (8.557059) with Joan Rodgers, Christopher Maltman and the Bournemouth Symphony and chorus under Paul Daniel (ex Leeds Opera North music director). Better still book for Leeds Town Hall on 20th November and hear it performed by Joan Rodgers and Roderick Williams, the Leeds Philharmonic Chorus, and Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by David Hill. The programme also includes RVW "Five Mystical Songs" and Elgar's Cockaigne Overture. A feast of music - don't miss it! - none of us will be around for the next centenary !!

*Christopher Seller.*



## **Oxford Place Children's Centre**

From Monday November 22<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>, 10.00am to 2.00pm, the Children's Centre at Oxford Place will be having their annual stall in the Narthex (OP) in aid of the Centre. They will be very happy to receive items such as unwanted gifts, books, cakes or any other saleable goods you may be able to offer. Carole Abel or Gill Jewell will be happy to receive them.

If you are in town why not pop into the Oxford Place Centre Café for a coffee or light lunch and browse the stall for some Christmas presents.

## Writing the Bible

As the quarter centenary of the King James version of the Bible approaches it seems right to thank God for those who first put pen to paper or rather pen to papyrus, so that the world might know the Good News.

At the end of the third century BC the Greek writers in the Middle East devised a new type of pen. Previously the scribes used a rush, cut obliquely and frayed at the end to form a brush. The ink was made from soot mixed with a thin solution of gum and dried to form a 'cake'. They also carried a sponge to blot out mistakes or remove whole passages. Unlike our modern inks which 'eat' into the paper, this ink could be removed without trace, leaving the papyrus as new. This gives a clearer meaning to Psalm 51 v1 and Acts 3 v19.

Scribes used rolls of a material made from the pith of the papyrus plant - a kind of bulrush. These scrolls were unwieldy and the greatest length which could conveniently be handled was about 35 feet. This was precisely the length required to hold the Book of the Acts of the Apostles. Into that space Luke had almost endless material to fit and he must have selected with the greatest care what he was going to record. In the limited space he records Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus three times, and he finds the incident of Peter's dream at the house of Simon the Tanner and the baptism of the Gentile Cornelius of such paramount importance that he relates it in full twice. Luke was right. At a time when the authenticity of Paul's apostleship was questioned, and the whole future of the Church hung in the balance over the admission of the Gentiles, Luke saw the baptism of Cornelius as a notable milestone on the road along which Paul was leading reluctant Jewish Christians towards a universal Church. It is a road we are called to follow.

"Christ for the world we sing!  
The world to Christ we bring"

This was the vision and this is our task.

*Anne Blackburn*

References: William Barclay 'The Daily Study Bible' and The Interpreters Dictionary of the Bible



## **Cups and Saucers!**

If you came to the Harvest Tea, you will have noticed that there was plenty of crockery to go round despite a previous plea to replace twenty five cups and saucers that have gone missing from the kitchen.

Our catering needs were met through the vigilance of members and friends:

Stuart, who identified fifty good quality matching cups and saucers in a local charity shop

Alan, who checked them out in his own inimitable way and decided they were a bargain

Jack who saw Alan carrying the said goods to Church and dug deep in his pocket to pay for them!

So, problem solved and many thanks to all involved!

## **Community Fund Raiser**

The contract we have with N Power finished on the 1st November. This means that both the Church and the Community Centre are now on the CFR for gas and electricity. Up to date the Church has received £191.00 from Utility Warehouse. This amount will increase steadily now the Church is on the CFR. It would also increase greatly if more members joined, so they could save money for themselves and the Church.

Utility Warehouse still remains very competitive for utilities. Gas 3.234p per Kwh, Electricity 10.350 per Kwh, Broadcall , which is broadband and telephone, and free calls 24/7, for £17.00 per month. On top of these prices, Utility Warehouse gives 2-3% of your bill to the Grove. I don't know of any other utility company who donates like this.

*For more information please contact: Ricky Hearn 281 8176*

## **Grove Church Council Meeting, 12<sup>th</sup> October 2010.**

For the first time in the 35 years of my experience Church Council opened with a solo song from the minister! Alistair welcomed David Whiteley to his first meeting and was in turn welcomed as Chairman.

In a review of matters arising from the previous meeting it was reported that the Premises Manager had received excellent feedback on the new hearing system installed in the Small Hall. It was noted that HM Inspector of Taxes has made no reply to the church's enquiry about the completion of benefits form (P11D) for church employees.

Having acted upon the General Church Meeting's (GCM) recommendation that the church should take steps to reduce its current expenditure, Council had asked the Circuit Meeting to review the level of circuit assessments paid by each church. A letter from the Superintendent was read in response to the request stating that any budgetary shortfall for ministerial costs in 2011-2012 would be met by circuit reserves and voluntary donations from those churches who could pay in excess of their assessments. In addition a task group would be asked to consider the implications of reducing staffing levels by one minister from 2012. The Treasurer later pointed out that this could save The Grove around £9,000 in 2011 – 2012.

Another major item in matters arising was discussion on the state of the Centre flat roof. A letter was read from the Chair of Property outlining problems going back to the initial refurbishment of the premises that indicate possible negligence on the part of the contractors. Having taken legal advice, complications concerning insolvency of the construction firm may result in the Church having to take court action to try and recover repair costs and expenses.

A summary of thoughts that arose at the GCM on 'The Way Forward' were examined. Whilst the church has acted upon some identified priorities such as the wider distribution of the Grove Vine, others remain to be tackled. The Church Life Committee is to consider ways of bringing Centre users into church, the Minister is to undertake a fact-finding questionnaire on our current worship needs and thought is to be given on

use of the Connexional report 'Our Calling' as the basis of a church evaluation of its mission and practice.

Items raised by committees included:

The possibility of moving the Covenant Service from the first Sunday of the new year to the second Sunday of the church year in September.  
(Worship Consultation)

The need for a volunteer to oversee noticeboards at the front of the church.  
(Church Life)

The organisation of a series of Sunday lunches by the Luncheon Club with proceeds going towards church and other charities, and the display of the Christian Aid Christmas gift list in December. (Church & Society)

The need for PAT testing of all electrical equipment used in church.  
(Property)

The distribution of an appeals letter to cover this year's increase in circuit assessment, Gift Day for church funds in 2011 and the challenge to organisations of raising money for redecorating the sanctuary to bring it in line with the Centre. (Finance)

In considering finance, the Treasurer pointed out the on-going need to address annual income and expenditure in order to cut annual deficits; the projected deficit for this year being £4,444.

Under items of any other business:

- Attention was drawn to the benefits of participating in the Community Fundraiser through Utility Warehouse Discount Scheme. (See page 9)
- The need for volunteer drivers on the transport rota. (See page 4)
- A letter of appreciation to be sent to Keith Whitham on his retirement as Group Scout Leader.
- Musical equipment belonging to the church being available for legitimate reasons to groups using the premises so long as the items are used by a competent practitioner. Key Board lead is available from Alan Firth and instruction on use from Richard Kenwood -Herriott.
- As Boxing Day in 2010 falls on a Sunday there will be a joint morning service at Central.

*Peter Mawson Church Council Secretary*

## Grove International Concert Season

We continue this wonderful series of concerts on **SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER at 7.30 pm** when the **West Riding Opera – directed by Martin Binks** will provide an entertaining evening.

Admission is £5 to each concert at the door or from Chris Seller, 21a West End Lane, Tel: 258 2662.

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## Scout News

We welcome Simon Hewitt, Nick McLoughlin and Alex Daniel as new Cub Leaders, Marie Burkinshaw and Emma Wood as Beaver Leaders, and Danny Kennedy as a Scout Leader. Emma, Alex and Danny have moved from being Young Leaders whilst members of the Explorer Unit to being Adult Leaders as they reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Keith Whitham is retiring as Group Scout Leader, and is to be replaced by Graham Hoyle. In Graham's place at Thursday Scouts, Jonathan Roe is stepping up to be Unit Leader. Simon Croft is to change units in the New Year, from Monday Cubs to Thursday Scouts, and will be replaced by Jaedon Green as Akela.

Congratulations to Liz, Monday Cub Leader, and Paul on the birth of a daughter Annalise Eva on 14<sup>th</sup> October at St. James. Mum, Dad and baby are all well.

In our ongoing quest in the beautification of Horsforth, we would like assistance to plant about 1,000 daffodil and tulip bulbs on **SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**. We will meet in Fink Hill, opposite the car park near the Millennium and Cup-and-Ring stones, at 10.30 am. We have previously planted on the ring road between Parkside and the Esso Garage, the bulbs being provided by the Groundwork Trust.

The more helpers that we can recruit means less work for each individual, so if you can spare ten minutes please come and join us.

## Women's Network

What is Network? someone was overheard to ask recently. Well... 23years ago in 1987 Trinity Church in Harrogate saw the coming together of Women's Work (the missionary arm of Methodist women, founded in 1858) and Women's Fellowship, (the Home Mission side of the work of Methodist women which came into being out of concern for the problems created by the Second World War in 1945) to form the new movement called Network.

Network has worked tirelessly for home and overseas projects and interests. In recent years among the causes it has championed are child prostitution, women and violence, racial justice, trafficked women and children, by educating its members and petitioning the government along with other groups. It has been represented on national bodies.

Its mission statement is to encourage, enable and equip women to participate fully in the life of the Church and in society, supporting the Church to become truly the whole people of God. It has been the focus for resources, conferences and training days for district, circuit and church meetings. Many women who would never have realised they had a message to give or a talent to share have been encouraged, enabled and equipped to pass on their experiences.

However the support of the Methodist Church Connexional Office in providing funds for offices and salaries for Network officers has now been withdrawn, and since 2007 the Network Connexional Committee has looked at ways in which the movement could organise its own affairs without the Connexional support, while at the same time continue to be effective and proactive within the church. The new proposal is that Women's Network will be clearly established as a body under, and accountable to, the Methodist Conference. Acting on behalf of women in Britain and joining up with the British unit of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women under the name of "Methodist Women in Britain (MWIB) from September 2011. The new movement will be owned, supported and nurtured by representatives from the Methodist districts, forming a MWIB Forum using money raised by the women of Methodism.

*Gill Jewell*



## **MHA Church Representatives Conference 2010**

I was delighted to once again attend this year's Conference at Swanwick. The Conference provides an opportunity to renew friendships and discuss our thoughts and ideas as to how we can keep the work and ideals of MHA to the fore.

MHA is acknowledged to be the leading carer for the elderly in the UK and this is borne out by an occupancy rate of places at 96%.

The fragility of the economy does not make life easy, but despite this MHA has a very sound strategy for the next five years. The strategy includes the provision of new Care Homes and Apartments as well as the refurbishment of existing property.

One of the most exciting areas of development is in the area of residents suffering dementia and here music therapy is being introduced with more and more success.

We must, however, not become complacent as all of the work undertaken by MHA would be impossible without funds and in particular the tremendous support of the Church Membership. The continued support is, I assure you, greatly appreciated by MHA.

I am pleased to be able to tell you that for the period 1 September 2009 to 3 August 2010 our Circuit contributed to MHA an amount of £633.44. The majority of our contribution resulted from MHA Gift Day last June.

Gift Day 2011 will be on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June and I am delighted to confirm that our Church Representative Lizzie Lambert has invited Les Sudron Head of Fund Raising to give an address at the Service.

Once again, thank you all for your continued support and I ask that you keep the work of MHA in your prayers.

*Eric Douglass  
Circuit and District Representative*

## Vision

Yes we may be 100 years old but we still have our Vision! Well that was our finale to celebrating 100 years of Girl Guiding.

Who would have thought the last year would have passed so quickly from the launch of celebrating the Centenary year of the Girl Guide Association, on the 5<sup>th</sup> September 2009 at Wetherby Race course, where a number of Leaders and Girls did the Fun Run, to the finale at Headingley Stadium on the 20<sup>th</sup> October 2010.

Over the year all sections of Guiding have been participating in various activities to celebrate the centenary. The Rainbows Go Wild!! Yes the two Rainbow units at the Grove got together with the Rainbows from Central and shared an evening with wild animals ranging from snakes and tarantulas to cockroaches and rabbits! The Brownies, Guides, Senior Section, Trefoil Guild, groups of Leaders or even Friends of Guiding did the Adventure 100. Here the units were challenged to look at 10 different headed sections, under each section there were another 10 suggestions to undertake activities that you would not normally think of doing on a day to day basis. Over the year each unit/individual/group will have completed (10\*10=) **100** new things!

Other celebrations that have happened have been: The Big Brownies Take Over, our Brownies enjoyed a wonderful time taking over Diggerland in Castleford! The Centenary Camp/Fusion, which was held at Harewood House was designed to be the largest Guiding camp where there were 5000 Girls and 2000 International Guests. Not everyone went and stayed over, girls had the opportunity to do a one day visit where they learned circus skills and watched some amazing shows.

Vision was the finale to the celebrations. Leeds County took over Headingley Stadium, home of the Leeds Rhinos and Leeds Carnegie. We participated in campfire singing, which I feel volume- and fun-wise would have made the usual Southstanders jealous! We heard drumming, watched and heard some wonderful singers and dancers from a local college perform numbers from Grease and other shows and our own girls did Ribbon Waving to music and a parade of all the units flags led by the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Services Marching Band. We then enjoyed a

video link to the Chief Guide at the Young Women's Conference, which had young girls from all of the world attending. At 20:10 on the 20/10/2010 we all renewed our promise with our Chief Guide Liz Burnley and received a Centenary Promise Badge which we can wear for the next 18 months. The closing spectacular firework display was a fitting end to a wonderful evening where everyone who went really enjoyed themselves. As we left the stand the Marching Band played us out and I am sure that the girls would have stayed longer if it was not for the fact that the coaches had arrived and it was already past the bedtime of most of the Rainbows, Brownies and probably even the Friends of Guiding and Trefoil Guild members.

There have been many more activities throughout the year so as you can see Girl Guiding is as strong and exciting as it always has been and hopefully will continue to be over the next 100 years!!

Thank you to everyone who supports the movement no matter how large or small your contribution, everyone is appreciated!

*Julie Parmenter*

## **Ladies group**

*Meetings in the Small Hall at 7.30pm*

November 4 <sup>th</sup>	Jocelyn Brooks	My Box of Treasures
November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Mike Cooke	Life on the Ribblehead Viaduct in the 1880's
December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Christmas Meal	

## **Toy Service- 10.30a.m. The 5<sup>th</sup> December**

We now have a further request for your generosity as the December Church Parade Service on Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> December is also our annual Toy Service. Scouts, Guides, Cubs, Brownies, Beavers, Rainbows and our pre school children are asked to think about games and toys that they have enjoyed, and then to bring any spare gifts that they may have. One idea might be to put a little pocket money aside and to buy something that a young person of their age might like. The gifts will be distributed to St George's Crypt in the Centre of Leeds to families who struggle to provide their children with Christmas gifts.

*Janette Mawson*



## **The Leprosy Mission Event – September 25<sup>th</sup>**

Many thanks to everyone who supported the event – it was a great success and raised the magnificent sum of £1,559.11 plus £320.00 which the Leprosy Mission Co-ordinator took on his cards.

After the day all the clothes unsold were taken to Charity Shops in Horsforth and the books and bric-a-brac went to the Emmaus Charity which works for the homeless.

We have also sold gifts and cards worth £420 from the Leprosy Mission Christmas Catalogue – and a further £95 has been forwarded from the generous collectors of the tubes. All this goes to the work done by the Team in India – places which I visited and saw at first hand the work done by the doctors and nurses out there.

The M.P. Stuart Andrew came on the day and was very impressed with the work and the Grove premises.

Again thank you for your continued support for the Leprosy Mission. All the money goes out to the hospitals world wide and very little is spent on administration. It is 10 years since I took over from Edith Whitham; she would be pleased with our efforts.

*Jack Myers*

## **Winter Services**

Please note that Thursday lunchtime and Sunday evening services at the Grove during the months of November, December 2010 and January, February and March 2011 will be held in the Centre Small Hall.

Services that WILL be held in Church during this period are:

19 <sup>th</sup>	December 2010	6.00pm	Carol Service
24 <sup>th</sup>	December 2010	6.00pm	Christingle Service
16 <sup>th</sup>	January 2011	6.00pm	Church Anniversary Service

## Events in November 2010

- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm Grove Tots & Tykes Auction of Promises – Grove Centre
- Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Grove International Concert Season – West Riding Opera  
Director Martin Binks. Tickets from Chris Seller 258 2662
- Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm West Yorkshire Brass Band Concert at Trinity. Tickets £6
- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> to  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Oxford Place Childrens Centre Stall at Oxford Place.  
(See page 7)
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> to  
Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Bramley's First Christmas Tree Festival at Trinity
- Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm Annual Dinner with Musical Entertainment at Rodley  
for 7.15pm
- Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Advent Sunday at Lister Hill

## Forthcoming Events - December

- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> 7.30pm Bible Study at Trinity Methodist Church, Bramley  
Rev. Godfrey Nicholson will lead the study on Philemon
- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm Christmas Fayre at Rodley. Usual stalls, refreshments and  
Father Christmas.
- Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Grove International Concert Season - "Quodlibet".  
Early Music with a Christmas Flavour.
- Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm "String of Beads" - Christmas Concert at Trinity.
- Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> 3.00pm Carol Service at Central – includes Nine Lessons and a  
Brass Band.
- Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm Candlelit Carol Service at the Grove.
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm Christingle Service at the Grove.
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 11.30pm Watchnight Service at Central.
- Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> 10.30am United Service at Grove.
- Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> 10.30am United Service at Central.

Could you please let me have any dates for December and January by Tuesday 23rd  
November for inclusion in the December Vine. Tel: 258 6316 or e-mail to  
[patricia.whitham@ntlworld.com](mailto:patricia.whitham@ntlworld.com)

## **Regular events (contd.)**

### **Thursday**

- 9.30-11.30 Tots & Tykes (0-4 years) 293 8458  
10.30 Bible Fellowship 258 3239  
6.15 Beavers 239 7327  
6.00 Cubs 258 9865  
7.45 Scouts 258 2648  
7.45 Grove Ladies Group (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday) 225 2734

### **Friday**

- 7.45 Choir Rehearsal 259 1580  
Walking Groups Thurs. 258 6579; Sat. 258 4520
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## **November**

November was known by the Saxons as *Wint Monath* – the wind month.

No warmth, no cheerfulness, no healthful ease  
No comfortable feel in any member-  
No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees  
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds.  
November!

*Thomas Hood*

When one sees the tree in leaf, one thinks the beauty of the tree is in its leaves, and then one sees the bare tree.

*Sarah Brana Barak*

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