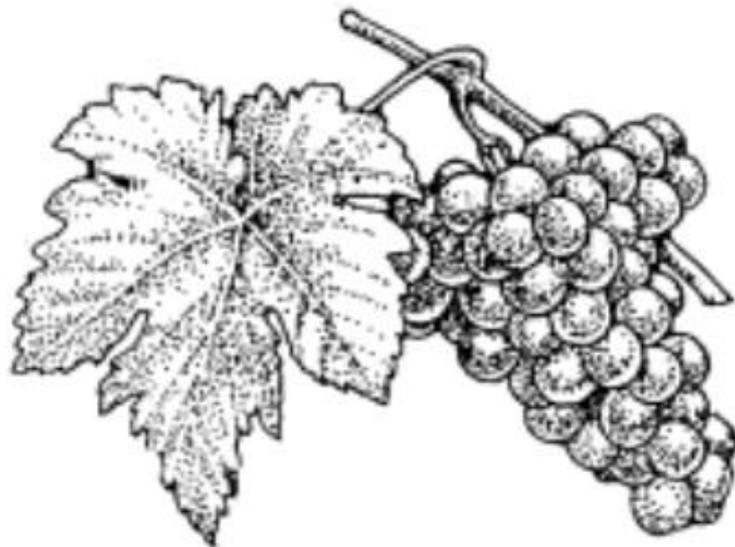


# **GROVE VINE**

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

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**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) 258 3509
- 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 9448
- 6.15 Beavers 258 1814
- 6.15 Cubs 258 2836
- 7.45 Scouts 228 9968
- 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)

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## Looking across the roundabout...

I can see headlights and tail-lights, reversing and brake lights, and I can hear the sounds (and even catch the occasional glimpse) of the vehicles associated with them.

This actually strikes me as a good analogy for the Christian life. We catch glimpses and hear hints of one another as we go along, trying not to collide as we head for our goals. We can follow those who forge ahead, and get out of the way of those who are heading off at full speed, or we can jam on the brakes and bring the whole carriageway to a halt. We can indicate hazards to those around us, and we can back off from dangerous situations. As I say, quite a good analogy.

Of course, as with all analogies, one can press it further. We have the road hog and the boy racer, the careless and the selfish, the lane weaver and the leaner upon the car horn. We may even have the spiritual equivalent of the uninsured driver, and the idiot who thinks an MOT is unimportant.

That is how one can end up with collisions, crashes, and folk being forced off the road; which is most decidedly NOT what the Christian life is about.

The nature of being a good and caring Christian community is loving one another. Love is very easily misunderstood as being unthinkingly accepting, becoming a very Christian doormat for others to walk on. It is far from being that. Love means care for the whole community, not accepting pain for the many rather than standing up to the few. Love means being aware of those occasions when we may be acting like the road hog or the uninsured menace, and of adjusting our actions accordingly.

Love is sharing the carriageway, using our mirrors to check that all is well with those around us, signalling when we are going to do something new or unexpected, and manoeuvring courteously.

When my eyes are right I intend to take up driving. You may take that as promise, or threat. Either way, consider those using the Christian road around you, and how your driving may look to them.

*Ali (Rev Alistair Jones)*

## From the Editorial Group

Your articles and items make this magazine. They are much appreciated by all our readers; keep up the good work! Please note that the April issue will be prepared by Gordon, Mary and Margaret. Please send items to them no later than Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.

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## Church Family News

As we 'go to press' we are sad to announce the death of John Whitaker at Ghyll Royd Nursing Home in Guiseley. John achieved his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday ten days before. Our prayers are with his son Richard and his family at this time.

**Please also remember in your prayers:** Ros Ansell, Pat Blackah, Barbara Carter, Tony Emmott, Mary Hart, John Hardaker, Robert Lawson's family, Lilian & Harvey Liddell, Jack Myers, Dorina Overson, Stan Ramsden, Peter & Margaret Reasbeck, Chris Shagouri and Eileen Stones. Also remember friends who are housebound and those who are caring for loved ones.

### *Congratulations to New Members*

*Congratulations to Alan Clegg, Kate Collins, Pauline Podmore and Gill Wilson who, on January 29<sup>th</sup> became part of the Worldwide Methodist Church through joining our fellowship here at the Grove.*

*Our prayers and good wishes go with them for the future. Our Minister the Revd Alistair Jones is currently talking with other worshippers interested in Church membership and would be delighted to include anyone else who feels that they might like to know more about joining the Methodist Church at The Grove.*

## From the Church Registers

Funeral

13<sup>th</sup> February Robert Lawson Committal at Rawdon Crematorium

Baptism

19<sup>th</sup> February Joey James son of Kady Walker & and Andrew McGregor

## Sunday Services in March

4 <sup>th</sup>	9.00	Rev. Ali Jones – Holy Communion
	10.30	Mr Philip Maud – Family Parade
	6.00	Rev. Ali Jones
11 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Rev. A Jones – Holy Communion
	6.00	United service at Central
18 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Rev. Malcolm Peach – Mothering Sunday
	6.00	Circuit Service at Grove – Sankey & Moody (see below)
25 <sup>th</sup>	10.30	Rev. Greg Haynes
	6.00	Rev. Godfrey Nicholson
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	9.00	Rev. Ali Jones – Holy Communion
	10.00	Rev. Ali Jones – Parade & Family service
	6.00	United service at Central

### **Sunday 18th March Grove Methodist Church at 6.00 p.m.**

This evening service celebrates the contribution made to Christian Worship by the work of the American musical evangelists SANKEY and MOODY. Written and compiled by Mrs. Jeanette Speight and Mr. Jack Myers it features the Rev. G. David Hall and Mr. David A. Quick, Narrator Mrs Jean P. Fox, with the Grove Songsters, director of music Doctor Anthony Orton.

Mrs Janette Mawson would be pleased to have the names of any who could assist those preparing the refreshments to follow the Service.

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.

## Stewards on Duty

Mar 4 <sup>th</sup>	Andy Walker Cynthia Hatton	Mar 11 <sup>th</sup>	Margaret Bosomworth David Buckley
Mar 18 <sup>th</sup>	Carole Abel John Bussey	Mar 25 <sup>th</sup>	Kay Bassett Gordon Mellor
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	David Buckley Carole Abel		



## Flower Rota for March

4 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs C Turner and Mr & Mrs K Whitham
11 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs G Pattison and Mrs W Hartley
18 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs S Parker and Mrs A Watt
25 <sup>th</sup>	Mr & Mrs N Kaye and Mr J Myers
April 1 <sup>st</sup>	Mrs B Buckley, Mrs K Pearson and Mr & Mrs G Mellor



## Circuit reorganisation from September 2012

At the end of the connexional year this summer the Leeds Wesley circuit is expecting a number of changes to our Ministers and their responsibilities. The Rev George Bailey and Rev Debora Marschener both move on to “pastures new”. George is expecting to take up an appointment in the Roundhay area of Leeds and Debora is to serve in Sheffield. Whilst both George and Debora and the churches they are due to serve are happy with the appointments, they have to wait until the Connexional stationing committee meets at the annual Methodist Conference before the appointments are finally ratified.

The Rev Alistair Jones continues to have oversight of The Grove and Central churches and from September also takes on responsibly for Rodley. Rev Godfrey Nicholson, our Circuit Superintendent, continues to have oversight of Bramley Trinity and St John's Stanningley and will take on responsibly for Horsforth Woodside.

Godfrey has sent the following message to the churches in the Leeds Wesley Circuit:

“The Connexional Stationing Committee paired us with a Presbyterian (Minister) and a Deacon, both of whom have now visited the Circuit. I am delighted to be able to tell you that both of them have, very enthusiastically, accepted the invitation to join us from next September.

The Rev Keith Hunt is currently in the Bradford (North) Circuit. He is an experienced minister, including time as a Superintendent, and previously served in the Headingley Circuit and the Leeds East Circuit. Before that he served for about eight years in an Elim Church, though his roots are in Methodism. Keith will have the oversight of St Mark's, St Andrew's and Farsley, and will live in the new manse in Pudsey. His wife, Moira, is headteacher of a junior school in Manningham, Bradford, and is also a Local Preacher.

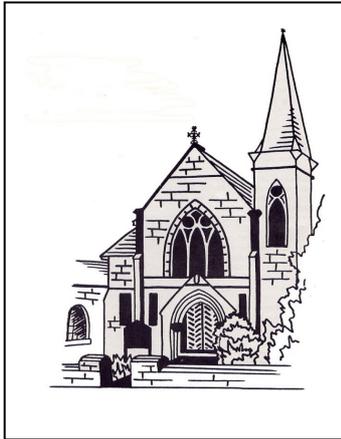
Deacon Ellie (Eleanor) Griffin is in her first appointment, in Loughborough, where she has been developing new work on a large Council estate. Among other things in the past she has been Methodist Youth President. She is passionate about work with youth and families, is keen on different styles of worship, and bridging the gaps between young and old in church. Ellie is thus an ideal appointment for the work shared with the Headingley & West Circuit. Initially in our Circuit she will be building on the monthly 'Play and Praise' events at Woodside, and developing the 'Parallel Congregation' at St Andrew's. These will make significant demands on her half time in this circuit, so some churches may see little of her in the first year or two.

However, we hope that these areas of work will grow enough in due course for Ellie's gifts, graces and energetic enthusiasm to be available elsewhere. Luke, her husband, has the role of 'house-husband', with three young children to care for. Teresa is 7, Erin 6, and Zac 4. Teresa and Zac have Cystic Fibrosis which impacts on daily routines. It has also made more urgent some repairs at the Woodside manse.

Strictly speaking, both of these appointments are subject to confirmation at this summer's Conference, but we expect them to be confirmed”.

*Godfrey Nicholson*





## Woodside Methodist Church

### Past...

In 1822 a small Chapel and Schoolroom were erected in Tanhouse Hill. These were then replaced by a new Chapel, which is the current Schoolroom, in 1839. The caretaker's accommodation was upstairs and accessed by means of an external staircase. The parlour, 'billiard' room (which keeps the name but no longer boasts a billiard table) and office were later additions. The present Church was opened in 1895 – since then alterations to aid disability access have been made to both buildings.

Between the wars concerts were performed on the schoolroom stage by uniformed organisations, Women's and Men's Fellowships and a Girls' League thrived, as well as a large Sunday School. In 1939 the Schoolroom building was taken over by the Fire Brigade and any activities had to be held in the Church.

After the war everything started up again and we had a Youth Club, Dramatic Society, Young Wives Club and later a Banner Group. We could have bazaars, whist drives, dances and many social events. Once a month, after the Sunday evening service we had a social hour hosted by different groups.

Lots of improvements have been made in the Church. The original harmonium was replaced by a pipe organ which had to be pumped by hand before electricity was installed, and this was then replaced by the present electronic organ. The porch was extended, some pews were removed and the Communion rail brought down to ground level. The beautiful stained glass window was installed in 1951. The pews were cushioned and the whole place carpeted – it is a lot more comfortable now than when it was built!

### Present...

Some of the activities of the past are no more, others continue – at the heart of church life is Women's Fellowship and regular social events, recently including barn dances and bazaars. Some activities of the past

which had ceased, have recently started again – Brownies and Rainbows are back at Woodside! Sunday worship is well attended, and there are several regular prayer and bible study groups meeting. For new people, we have now run six Alpha courses, most recently last Autumn. In the last two years we have had Sunday lunch together after church, about monthly. During the week, the Church runs a preschool with five staff, now for 21 hours a week, and this goes from strength to strength. We also run a weekly toddler group, regular activity mornings for families in the school holidays ('Stay and Play'), and for four years an annual parenting course. Our monthly Friday tea-time creative worship event ('Play and Praise') has been running for nearly a year and has a regular faithful congregation of adults and children.

### **Future...**

As ever, the church is changing! We want to build on the strengths of the past, whilst adapting for the 21<sup>st</sup> century... all so that we can proclaim the good news of Jesus in our worship, our fellowship and our service to the community. Some of our activities are difficult to sustain, but other new ventures are exciting and enthusiastically supported. We look forward to the next chapter of life at Woodside.

*Winifred Fairburn and George Bailey*



**Fairtrade Fortnight is on Feb 27<sup>th</sup> – Mar 11<sup>th</sup>**

Please look for the **Fairtrade mark** on products. It's your guarantee that disadvantaged farmers and workers in the developing world are getting a better deal.

*Grove Church serves Fairtrade coffee and sugar after service on Sunday and at Tuesday Coffee Morning and other social occasions.*

## Have You Seen The New Hymn Book?

For many of us, *Hymns and Psalms (H&P)* is probably still the new hymn book, even though it was published in 1983. In fact, we didn't rush to buy that book, here at the Grove, so we've only been using it for just over twenty years. That's no time at all, is it? And now there's an even newer Methodist hymn book available to us, called *Singing the Faith*. Unfortunately, the music edition is so big that my copy falls off the music stand of our piano. It's a problem I have with many modern hymn books. It's a hard life being an accompanist!

According to the Preface to *Singing the Faith*, the original intention was to produce a supplement to *H&P*, but the amount of new material available led to the conclusion that a complete new collection of authorised hymns and songs was necessary. In these days of photocopying, projection facilities, and CCL licensing, and with so many other new hymns available but not included in the new book, it's possible that some churches may feel it isn't worthwhile buying copies of *Singing the Faith*. All I can say is that choirs would definitely benefit from having music copies, even if only for introits and alternative harmonies. And with such a forward-looking choir as we have (I think it's best if I try to keep in with them), it seems we'd better start saving up now. And of course our organists would then have to find a way of training their music copy to sit.

Looking quickly through the new book, it is clear there's a very large number of 'new' hymns in it, and that some seem quite radical in style. In recent weeks, visiting preachers have asked us to duplicate or project new hymns for us all to sing, and these have generally come from *Singing the Faith*. So, in that way, and through many of the items in *Grove Praise*, we're already using new hymns from the book. Comparing the contents of one hymn book with another is a colossal task, but using a roughly ten per cent sample, it seems likely that approaching half of the hymns in *H&P* have been discarded, and replaced by newer items. It seems we're all going to find that some of our own personal favourites have been left out – just as they were when *H&P* was introduced.

We can obviously continue to use *H&P*, in whatever ways we wish, even if there is much in *Singing the Faith* that we would surely enjoy. In any case, old hymn books never die. They usually just reside in cupboards, and become more and more decrepit. Sometimes it is suggested in choir

practice that we should use the music version in the old book, which means *The Methodist Hymn-Book*, 1933 edition, so we haven't even completely discarded that one yet. And recently we needed it for a funeral hymn – an old favourite for many of us, but one which had been rejected when *H&P* was compiled, without us being fully aware that it had been omitted. On the other hand, we know of two Methodist churches in this area which are disposing of *H&P*, and committing totally to *Singing the Faith*. The book is definitely being purchased, and we can't pretend it doesn't exist. So here is an advance apology to choir members. It looks like we may be carrying even more into church at some time in the future: *Singing the Faith*, *Songs of Fellowship 1*, *Grove Praise*, Anthem book, Introit, special choir version of a hymn, etc. It's a hard life being in the choir!

As for the contents in more detail, those of you who have a copy have probably already taken a quick glance at how many new hymns and tunes are by John Bell, because we feel we know him. The answer is that there are quite a lot, and of course there are many items by other contemporary authors and composers, and there's also quite a number of items from Taizé. However, the name which really stands out in the Index of Composers is Paul Leddington Wright, whose name and face you may have seen in connection with *BBC Songs of Praise*, which he frequently conducts. Though there are new tunes in his collection, the majority of his contributions are arrangements, sometimes SATB arrangements of original unison items by other composers. These will be very much welcomed by our choir. The book also includes an interesting and substantial section of 'Liturgical Settings', which looks very inviting.

There are obvious omissions too. The canticles and psalms are clearly only intended for responsive reading, because there are no chants with them. Some of us will be sorry about that; others will breathe a sigh of relief. Also, some hymns which were only introduced to us in *Hymns and Psalms* have been rejected. Did we make it that obvious that we didn't like them? But assuming that we enjoy singing hymns of all kinds, we now have the prospect of so many more to explore. So that surely means it's a good life for all of us!

*Tony Orton*



## Volunteers needed

As always we are looking for people to take on jobs!

Many church members have extra large notice boards for all the rotas they are on. However, due to illness and folk moving elsewhere we are still asking for more volunteers to do:

### **Porch duty, pew duty and church cleaning**

**Porch duty** involves arriving for the morning service by 10.00a.m. greeting the congregation with a smile and giving out hymn books and bulletins. If you can stay for a few minutes at the end of the service it is also appreciated if you can collect in the hymn books. You are asked to do this no more than twice a year.

**Pew duty** also requires an early start to the service. From 10.a.m, welcome the congregation and help them to their seats. Keep an eye on those arriving at the disabled door entrance to make sure they have everything they need for the service.

**Church cleaning** involves being willing to wield a duster and polish, mop and bucket or vacuum cleaner-for about 45 minutes once every three months on a Friday morning. It is good gentle exercise and a great opportunity to get to know people that you might not have known before. Helping to make the chapel sparkle alongside others of like mind can be really satisfying.

If you feel able to offer to help with any of these jobs please see Andy Walker, Cynthia Hatton, Alan Firth or Janette Mawson. Thank you.



## Can you help?

John Burland, brought up at Grove and now attending Otley Methodist Church, is producing a booklet about the history of the Grove Methodist Church. He would be very grateful to hear from any members who have old documents or photographs pre 1970, including particularly the building of the old youth centre and recent rebuilding of the Centre with the link corridor from the church.

His email is: [john.burland@sky.com](mailto:john.burland@sky.com) and his address: 76 The Whartons, Otley, LS21 2BS.

## News from Tent of Nations

Many readers will remember the international peace project, Tent of Nations, based in Palestine, south-west of Bethlehem, and aimed at building bridges between people of different backgrounds, irrespective of race, religion or nationality. Over last year awareness was raised of the ever-present tensions of living in Israel-Palestine through talks, displays, worship and our Change-for-change charity appeal in July and August.

The Director, Daoud Nasser, is a Palestinian Christian who has opened his family farm for the work of reconciliation. He provides a model of peaceful co-existence with all neighbours in a part of Palestine that now hosts some 50,000 settlers in what international law has termed 'illegal settlements'. His family have owned and farmed the land for three generations and hold the title deeds.

The latest news is not very heartening. On 14<sup>th</sup> February 2012, at 1.30pm., as the family were working on the land in a part of the farm that they have designated as 'the tree of life orchard', they found papers, with maps, signed by the civil administration of Judea and Samaria, that is the Israeli military government.

The papers stated that the family had to stop working on the land specified on the map as the authorities have declared it to be state land which is no longer open to cultivation. The papers state that the Nasser family may challenge the order and have 45 days to appeal by presenting themselves in front of a military representative office.

Having defended their land over the past 21 years in legal battles before Israeli courts they find it hard to understand how the authorities can yet again seek to displace them. They have sent the papers to their attorney in Jerusalem who is to prepare an appeal. However, they fear that the situation might become worse.

The issues of Palestine-Israel are complicated and solutions are far from easy but there is always hope, and at the heart of hope is prayer: prayer for a divided land, prayer for the Tent of Nations and prayer for all those caught up in a difficult situation. Perhaps these complexities might lie at the heart of our prayers when we next ask for God's will to be done (Matthew 6:9ff), that is for God's rule to be established. May the justice prevail that belongs to our God, the God of Abraham, of Isaac and Jacob, of Hagar and Ishmael (Genesis 16) and of Jesus of Nazareth.

*Peter Mawson*

## Leeds chosen as China's training base

Many of you will know that Leeds is hosting the Chinese athletes for the Olympic Games. They will mainly be based at the two universities and many sports will be represented.

### The Olympic Flame

The Olympic Flame is a symbol of the Olympic Games. Commemorating the theft of fire from the Greek god Zeus by Prometheus, its origins lie in ancient Greece, where a fire was kept burning throughout the celebration of the ancient Olympics

The Flame will be carried around Britain by 8000 runners throughout June and July. It will come to Leeds on Sunday June 24<sup>th</sup> and Monday 25<sup>th</sup>.

The nearest it will come to us is Sunday when it will be brought from Ilkley to Headingley and east Leeds and there will be a celebration in the evening. On Monday it will leave Leeds via Hunslet, Beeston and Morley and on to Sheffield.

### The Torch

The Torch stands 800mm high and since more than half of the London 2012 Torchbearers are expected to be young people aged as young as 12, the designers aimed to make the Torch as light as possible. The gold colour embraces the qualities of the Olympic Flame – the brightness and the warmth of the light that it shines.



### The power of '3'

The triangular-shaped Torch was inspired by a series of 'threes' that are found in the history of the Olympic Games and the vision for the Olympic Movement:

- The three Olympic values of respect, excellence and friendship;
- The three words that make the Olympic motto – faster, higher, stronger;
- The fact that the UK has hosted the Olympic Games in 1908, 1948 and will host them for the third time in 2012; and
- The vision for the London 2012 Olympic Games to combine three bodies of work – sport, education and culture.

***From the Leeds Methodist District website:***

One of the things that will take place during the torch relay is that a large cavalcade will be following it and there will be a bus that will offer buns, water and drinks as well as giving out literature. One of the things that we as Methodists are good at is hospitality. Therefore one request is that we might want to provide buns to be given out from the bus. If you would like to bake some buns for this occasion then please let Audrey Wilks know [audreywilks@btinternet.com](mailto:audreywilks@btinternet.com) who will co-ordinate the transportation of these to the bus. Also to accompany the time when the Torch will be in the country there will be a prayer baton to be passed around the circuits. Watch out for more information nearer the time. Of course the most important thing that we can do is to pray for the Olympics and the opportunities that will arise from this great event that will sweep the nation.

Have you got your tickets yet?!!



## Charity Window 2012



## Do You Know Your Hymns?

Can you identify the hymns from *Hymns and Psalms* that contain these words?

- 1 My chains fell off, my heart was free
- 2 Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
- 3 For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight
- 4 A thousand ages in thy sight are like an evening gone
- 5 There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze
- 6 O measureless might, ineffable love
- 7 Who sweeps a room, as for thy laws, makes that and the action fine
- 8 Hell has no terrors and death has no sting
- 9 The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given
- 10 On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose?
- 11 Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
- 12 There is room in my heart for thee
- 13 Visions of rapture burst on my sight
- 14 Craftsman's art and music's measure for thy pleasure all combine
- 15 Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come
- 16 O wind of God, come, bend us, break us
- 17 And promise, in this sacred hour, for God to live and die
- 18 Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore
- 19 Be this while life is mine my canticle divine
- 20 Enough for all, enough for each, enough for evermore

[Based on a similar puzzle in the Church Music Quarterly, the magazine of the Royal School of Church Music: [www.rscm.com](http://www.rscm.com) Solutions will be in next month's edition of the Grove Vine.]

Here is the solution to last months Musical Sudoku

*Tony Orton*

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## **Are you free at lunchtime on a Thursday?**

Thursday lunchtime services started about 15 years ago. They were well advertised locally as it was hoped that they would provide the opportunity for workers in Horsforth to attend a short service during their lunch break (and they *did* attract a few visitors). Initially they only took place during Lent, but those who attended appreciated them so much that subsequent ministers offered to organise these lunchtime services throughout the year.

Our present Thursday services are being held in the Small Hall, where it is warmer, from 12.30 – 1.00 pm and are followed by refreshments. There is a very friendly, welcoming atmosphere and the opportunity to be stimulated by passages of Scripture, and to find peace and fellowship as we worship together in the middle of a busy day.

Do join us for Lent or longer!

Saturday 31st March at 7.30 p.m. at Grove Methodist Church, a return visit by popular request of

### **SHEFFIELD SALVATION ARMY BAND**

Admission free by ticket, obtainable from Jack Myers (0113) 2819844 or by post to 19 Hunger Hills Avenue, Horsforth LS 18 5JS - please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

There will be a collection for Music and the Deaf

## **Cornerstone Bookshop in Skipton**

If you have bemoaned the recent reduction of Christian bookshops in this area, you may be interested to know that Cornerstone Christian Books and Gift shop, 17 Newmarket Street, Skipton is under new management and has a wide stock of books, CDs, DVDs gifts and cards. The staff are very obliging and they even serve coffee to the rear of the shop! If an afternoon out in Skipton beckons, please note that Cornerstones closes at 5pm. Monday to Saturday and 3pm. on Tuesdays.

## **Advance notice of Holy Week Services (Horsforth Churches Together)**

Monday 2nd April 7.30 pm at St. Margaret's Church

Tuesday 3rd April 7.30 pm at St. Mary's Church, Broadgate Lane

Wednesday 4th April 7.30 pm at Woodside Methodist, Outwood Lane

Thursday 5th April 7.30 pm Churches, including The Grove, have their own Maundy Thursday Services (Holy Communion)

Friday 6th April 7.30 pm Good Friday Service at The Gove

On Good Friday the Horsforth Churches Together Walk of Witness will set off from St.Mary's Church, Broadgate Lane at 11.30 am, followed by the Good Friday Service on The Green at 12.00.

Everyone is invited to The Grove afterwards for soup and hot cross buns.

On Easter Sunday, 8th April, there will be a Horsforth Churches Together Dawn Service in Hall Park at 5.45 am

## **Forthcoming events**

Mar 15<sup>th</sup> Thursday  
7.30pm

Circuit meeting at Woodside

Mar 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
6.00pm

Circuit Service at Grove (see p.5 for details)

Mar 19<sup>th</sup> Monday  
2.00pm

Circuit MWiB Service of Intercession at Grove  
Mrs Christine Baker – District MWiB President.

Mar 24<sup>th</sup> Saturday  
7.30pm

Rodley Two of Kay Mellor's 1-act plays. Tickets from Brian 2553737

Mar 31<sup>st</sup> Saturday  
7.30pm

Sheffield Salvation Army Band (see p.17 for details)

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

### **Thursday**

- 9.30-11.30 Tots & Tykes (0-4 years) 293 8458  
11.00 Bible Fellowship 258 3239  
6.15 Beavers 239 7327  
6.00 Cubs 258 9865  
7.45 Scouts 216 9006  
7.45 Grove Ladies Group (1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday) 258 2097

### **Friday**

- 7.45 Choir Rehearsal 258 9093  
Walking Groups Thurs. 258 6579 Sat. 258 4520
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