

## **Heaton Moor United Church**

The United Reformed Church and The Methodist Church working together in partnership



WE WELCOME anyone with us for the first time today. Please make yourself known and please sign the Visitors Book. There is coffee after each morning service, please stay for a drink and a chat.

**Events this week:** 

At the time of printing all the following information is correct, if any event is cancelled there will be an update on the Website and the Churches Facebook page.

Sun	15/03	10.15	Prayer in the Patio Room
		10.45	Service with Meg Warner
			Duty Bob and Sharon
		12.30	Lent Study Group with Soup and a Roll
Mon	16/03	09.30	Toddlers
Tue	17/03		
Wed	18/03	10.00	Coffee in Patio Room
		11.15	Joan Markall Funeral
		15.30	Moor Than Tea and Cake
Thur	19/03	15.00	Messy Church
		20.00	Scottish Dancing
Fri	20/03	13.30	Dementia Friends—Cancelled until Further Notice
Sat	21/03	10.30	Coffee Morning
Sun	22/03	10.15	Prayer in the Patio Room
		10.45	Mothering Sunday Service with Rev Raj Patta
			Duty Arnold and Ian



The church is working towards to becoming an Eco Church. This involves trying to be as eco friendly as we can, not just

the products we use but in worship as well.

You will notice that the toilet tissue will change over the next couple of weeks.

We are now using toilet rolls supplied by a company called "Who Gives a Crap?"

They are made from recycled paper and wrapped in paper so no plastic is used .

Also 50% of their profits are then given to the

Toilet Twinning program .

So they obviously do care as do we !!!

The hand soap and washing liquid is also being replaced with Eco Cover which is more environmental friendly and existing bottles will be refilled from a larger bottle so cutting down on the amount of plastic bottles we are using.

Blaggs Hardware store offer this service if you want to help too, just take along a bottle and they will refill it with, hand soap, washing up liquid or laundry liquid.

If you have any Eco Tips please pass them onto the office.

Office Telephone number 0161 431 0262



# **Heaton Moor United Church**

This Wednesday is.... Moor than tea & Cake 3:00pm to 4:30pm

Join us for an afternoon of Chatting, Singing and Dancing all served with tea & cake!

Come on your own or with a friend

**A Warm Welcome for all** 

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## Lent III, Sunday 15 March 2020

#### 'Is the LORD among us or not?'

### **Call to worship**

Hymn R&S 476 Jesus, where'er thy people meet

## Prayer

O God, the fountain of life,
To a humanity parched with thirst
You offer the living water that springs from the Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ:
Stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit,
That we may profess our faith with freshness
And announce with joy the wonder of your love.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Kids' Welcome

Hymn R&S 345 Guide me O Thou Great Redeemer

## **Old Testament Reading Exodus 17:1-7**

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

#### Reflection OneWater From the Rock

Hymn R&S 560 Glorious Things of Thee are spoken

#### Psalm 13

1	How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever?
•	How long will you hide your face from me?
2	How long must I bear pain in my soul,
	and have sorrow in my heart all day long?
	How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?
3	Consider and answer me. O I ORD my God!
3	Consider and answer me, O LORD my God!

- Give light to my eyes, or I will sleep the sleep of death,
- <sup>4</sup> and my enemy will say, "I have prevailed"; my foes will rejoice because I am shaken.
- <sup>5</sup> But I trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.
- <sup>6</sup> Fools say in their hearts, "There is no God." They are corrupt, they do abominable deeds; there is no one who does good.

Reflection Two How Long, O Lord?

Hymn Inspired by Love and Anger

Prayers

Lord, we know you hear us when we call **Give us water to drink** 

#### Offering

Hymn God, when human bonds are broken

#### **Blessing and Sending Out**





From Joan Evans , she is out of hospital and wants to pass on her thanks for all the good wishes and support she received .

"A huge thank you to everyone who supported the Fair Trade and Christian Aid coffee morning by setting up, baking, serving and washing up and to friends who came to drink coffee and support Christian Aid.

We raised £191.85 which a little more than last year, the good News is that we can claim Gift Aid which adds an extra 20%""

## Love Jean

Thank you for the offers of help to cover the Sunday Coffee Rota , the slots have all been covered now.



Rev Cathy Bird has requested that we pray for each church on the

circuit every week, so over the quarter each church is prayed for. This week can you please pray for Circuit Staff

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Please give all money raised to Jean James or

the Office

Will you support our Lent and Easter Appeal? Your donations will help families facing poverty and injustice around the world.

Faith's fields used to be dirt and dust.

Ongoing drought in Kenya meant next to nothing grew. Hunger was a reality. But now Faith grows crops that are lush and green thanks to a nearby dam.

Her local community got together to build the sand dam with your support.

This Lent, Together we stop this climate crisis.

#### Week 4 the theme is Atonement

So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

2 Corinthians 5:17

### This week every time you go to a shop put 20p in the Jar.

Leaflets with more information are on the table .

# Lent and Easter Appeal

Help more women like Faith to fight for a green

future.

## **Coronavirus Update**

The Methodist Church has issued some guidance and resources about Coronavirus on it's website. A full version can be read on the notice board in the entrance area.

If you have any concerns please get in touch with your pastoral visitor, if you can't get in touch with them or you don't know who your visitor is please contact the office

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