



*150 Years of Worship and Outreach*

# Central United Reformed Church Hove



**"If any want to be my followers,  
let them deny themselves and  
take up their cross and follow me."**

**Mark 8.34**

**March 2016**

# CHURCH ACTIVITIES

*Sunday Youth Ministry*

Mrs. A. Austen

Mrs C. Vaughan

*Boys' Brigade*  
(Mondays)

Mr. C. Jukes

*Girls' Club*  
(Tuesday)

Mrs. S. Hill

*Tuesday Fellowship*  
(Alternate Tuesdays)

Mrs H Brown

*Men's Fellowship*  
(Third Wednesday)

Mr. P. Gear

*Welcome Break*  
(Wednesdays)

Mrs. P. Macaulay

*Bluebird Parent & under 3s Group*

Mrs K. Hancox

Church Web Site

Mr John Brewster

**Church Hall Tel: 01273 734162**

**Email: [info@centralurchove.com](mailto:info@centralurchove.com)**

## **MISSED CHURCH?**

You can listen to the Sunday Morning Service by going to our website:  
[www.centralurchove.com](http://www.centralurchove.com) and hearing the recording.

## *Dear Friends,*

I have arrived!

I want to thank the many people who have sent cards and gifts and worked so hard to make the manse and my Induction Service such a brilliant occasion. Your welcome and the service are precious memories.

I am looking forward to meeting you all and learning all about you and your commitment to Jesus and the story of how you became part of this church family. I can't promise to remember your name straight away, but I will try my best.

As we are in Lent I am using, for my personal reflection a book by Janet Morley called "The Heart's Time." She gives a poem for each day in Lent, excluding Sundays. I thought I would share this poem with you for your reflection:

Lent is a tree without blossom, without leaf  
Barer than blackthorn in its winter sleep  
All unadorned. Unlike Christmas which decrees  
The setting-up, the dressing-up of trees,  
Lent is a taking down, a stripping bare,  
A starkness after all has been withdrawn  
Of surplus and superfluous,  
Leaving no hiding-place, only an emptiness  
Between black branches, a most precious space  
Before the leaf, before the time of flowers;  
Lest we should see only the leaf, the flower,  
Less we should miss the stars. *Jean M. Watt*

As we follow Jesus, anew, this Lent, through his Passion, Death and Resurrection, may we be challenged by Jesus' obedience to God and rejoice that we know that love for ourselves, and sharing that love as witnesses to the truth of Jesus and his commitment to the world.

Enjoy Lent because it heralds the wonder and impossibility of Easter.

Your co-worker in Jesus,

*Sue x*

**Central United Reformed Church**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
& GIFT DAY**

**SUNDAY 20TH MARCH 2016**

**12.00 noon**

- It will be assumed that Officers and Representatives are willing to continue to stand unless Keren Hancox is notified otherwise by 6th March.
- Alan Ireland is stepping down as Organist and Elder. It is imperative that you think and pray about who might be elected to the Eldership. Nomination Forms will soon be available in the Upper vestibule and these should be completed by Sunday 6th March.
- This is your church please support it by working and praying for its future well being.

## **FAMILY NEWS FROM CENTRAL**

As she proclaimed at the beginning of her first Morning Service at Central as minister – She’s Here! (sotto voce – at last!) Rev. Sue Chapman is now officially our minister and is ensconced in the manse and beginning to learn who we are or what we are...!

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February was special, as it was not only Rev. Sue’s premiere, but also because it gave her the great pleasure of welcoming **John Brewster** into membership of the church. As most of you know, John has been around Central for a long time and has worked as an officer in the BB and, more recently, been an enthusiastic member of the J-Team organising The Junction. So, it was entirely appropriate that it was also a Parade Service at which John made his profession of faith and commitment. We pray that he will continue to grow in faith and feel our prayerful support and fellowship surrounding him.



Of course, as in all important events at Central, there had to be a cake! And there was one, made and beautifully iced by **Christine Page**, to symbolise Sue’s welcome at Central. It made a delicious change to the after-service coffee and biscuits!



So much work had been undertaken during the previous weeks in preparation for The Induction Service of Rev. Sue to our Pastorate that it was a relief that everything went well on the day. Thank you to all those who compiled lists – Church Secretaries – moved chairs, rearranged the church, made sandwiches, and prayed for the success of the day. We were delighted to welcome so many people from Sue's previous pastorate. It speaks highly of the esteem and affection in which they hold her that they came by bus, train and car all the way to Hove to say one last farewell to her. To have a packed church always adds to the worship and the singing exemplified this. The church halls afterwards were a-buzz with laughter, voices and the constant flow of refreshments. The ceremony and ritual were over, now we could all relax and celebrate.

Gifts from the three congregations of the Pastorate were given to Rev. Sue to welcome her: however, it was a very moving moment when we had to say thank you and goodbye to Rev. **Jenny Morgan**, our inspiring Interim Moderator, who has worked so tirelessly on our behalf during the vacancy. A bouquet of flowers and a gift were small tokens of how much she has come to mean to us.

We had another pleasantly full church on 7<sup>th</sup> February when **Rebekah Smith** gave her long awaited concert – a recital of opera and song – with items ranging from the works of Handel, Mozart, Charpentier to Gilbert and Sullivan, Ivor Novello and Jerome Kern. For those of us who have known Rebekah for some years and who have watched and listened to her developing love for and talent in singing, it was an evening of delight and pleasure. Her vocal range and mellowness of tone have so increased and matured as she has studied at the Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music. We wish her and her very talented accompanist, **Philip Leslie**, every success in the future.

Still on a musical theme: it is with great regret that we learn that **13<sup>th</sup> March** will be **Alan Ireland's last official service** as our organist. For the past 25 years Alan has offered his immense talent and love of music in the service of this church. His preludes and postludes at each service have been a delight as has his choice of music for our Carols by Candlelight Services every Christmas. We remember with great pleasure the concerts he has organised and given in the sanctuary to celebrate milestones in our church's history. Alan's sheer musicality – a delicacy of touch and an ability to make the church reverberate with the grandness and glory of sound have given us all so much joy. Whatever words of appreciation and gratitude we use are inadequate, so, Alan, a simple and

heartfelt “Thank you” for all the years of generous service and sharing.

Make a note in your diaries. On **May 7<sup>th</sup>** Alan Ireland will be giving us a final concert. It will be a night to remember. Further details next month.

You may remember, or, indeed, know about Go-Go dancers? Well now Central has its own Go-Go Church Secretary!! We have discovered that whilst Keren Hancox was out in Zimbabwe, she acquired a new nickname – Go-Go. The children used to gather in the mornings outside her dormitory and chant her name, “Go-Go” until she appeared. It does tend to lose some of the glamour associated with Go-Go dancers, when we learn that in Shona, it means “grandmother”.

We, nevertheless, give thanks to God for the safe return of **Keren, Emma and Rebecca** from Zimbabwe. They are all full of excitement about everything they saw and did. Mind, Heart and Soul expanding, as well as humbling, is their verdict. Worthwhile? More than they can say. We look forward to a detailed report and photographs in next magazine by which time Keren will have caught her breath.

Some dear friends have been unwell over the past two weeks and we ask you to remember in your prayers **Betty Briggs, Molly Fraser** and **Dorothy Welch** all of whom not only missed church but also the Tuesday Fellowship! Get well soon.

Unfortunately, the results of **Violet Foard’s** tests, mentioned in February, are not good and she has been diagnosed with cancer. She is being attended by MacMillan nurses and is content. Please hold Vi closely in your hearts and prayers and also all those who are caring for her.

**Jill Humphrey** too is unwell and is not only suffering from pleurisy but has also broken a rib – very painful. She is not at all her usual cheerful self and even admits to feeling “rotten”. We pray that she will make a speedy recovery.

**Carl Jukes** has moved house. Please note his new address and telephone number on Page 4. We pray that he, Liz, Megan and Kayleigh will settle happily in their new home and wish every blessing upon it and all within its walls.

March promises to be another busy month: the Church’s **Annual General Meeting and Gift Day is Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March**. Please make a special effort to attend that day. There is still time to nominate someone for election as an elder. We ask you to prayerfully and thoughtfully to

consider if there is someone who might be approached. Nomination forms are available in the Upper Vestibule and Keren Hancox or any elder will be delighted to help you in any way.

New minister - so why not new elders!

A week later it is Easter when we celebrate our Risen Lord. The high point of the Christian Year. Do look at the Calendar and join in celebrating Christ's death for us and His Resurrection with all its promise. We will be having some services with our friends from Hove Methodist so check in which church we are meeting.

*Fellowship of Prayer:*

*Sheila Lovey and family, Violet Foard, Jan Owen, Tebello Sibanda, Peggy McMillen, Clive Hamblin, John Gilson, Ros Ayling, Sally Marteau, Doug and Maureen Lawrence & Ivy Newell.*



February 2016



## Gift Day and AGM - 20 March 2016

Dear Friends,

This is my first letter to you and it is to remind you about the Gift Day which is fast approaching. It has been a longstanding tradition to offer our gifts, and this year it will be on the day of the AGM as we look back over the past year and see how God has been working with us.

All we accomplish is by the grace and goodness of God and we give thanks for God's insight and inspiration throughout this past year. There has been refurbishment in the church to make it fit for the work we will be doing in future years and we give thanks to the Building and Finance Teams, and all those who have worked so hard on our behalf.

We do not know the future, but we need to be prepared for it. This means our being fit for the purposes of God; both the people and the building, and so that we are able to respond to God's new call on us as we embark on a new chapter in the life of the church.

Please give prayerfully and as you are able. All we give will be used in God's service; remembering that in the economy of God nothing is ever wasted.

I look forward to working closely with you and pray for God's blessing on our work together.

Your co-worker in Jesus Christ,

*Sue*

## 10<sup>th</sup> BRIGHTON (HOVE) BOYS' BRIGADE COMPANY



We would like everyone who came along and supported our Old Time Musical Hall performances. It makes such a difference to have a full house and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

We are delighted that, thanks to your support and generosity, we will be able to give a cheque for over £800 to the British Heart Foundation, which is the nation's heart charity and the biggest independent funder of cardiovascular research.

We chose this particular charity for many reasons – it is close to a lot of our hearts (pun intended), especially within the Tenth. One of our previous members, William Stanton very sadly lost his life last year – far too young. William had stood on our stage many times in previous Music Halls and he wanted to raise money for the British Heart Foundation because his Dad lives with a heart condition. In making a donation to the Foundation we are remembering William and others dear to us, and hoping that the Foundation's research will help William's Dad and others in the future.

BB nights are back to normal now and very enjoyable.

Our DVD of the Old Time Music Hall is now on sale at the extremely reasonable price of £3.00, so, if you missed the show or would like to remember it, please speak to any BB member of Staff.



Unsynchronised swimming.

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 **10th Brighton (Hove)  
Boys Brigade**   
[www.centralurchove.com](http://www.centralurchove.com)



Hello, Little Weeeeeed!

## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

February was Film Night! This has been a regular item in our programme for a number of years, hosted by Alan Ireland who also has the responsibility for choosing the film we watch. Each year is different and this year was no exception. The film was called "The Angel's Share" – an intriguing title if you had not come across the term before – and without this knowledge you would be very unlikely to guess what it was about! The film is set in Scotland and the language (in both senses) took a bit of getting used to but being a multi-national group we had sufficient interpreters present to manage without sub-titles! Without going into the story in detail it is probably fair to say we were challenged by the content which included violence, criminality, humour - and a happy ending! The underlying message being that, given the right support and encouragement, people from the toughest background can be made to 'see the light' and go on to make a difference within the society in which they live. We look forward to next year wondering if there is a genre we have not yet covered!

*Bill Maclean*



## AN EASTER MEDITATION

**Christ Crucified** is all of the hidden, private, tragic pain of history made public and given over to God.

**Christ Resurrected** is all of that private, **ungrieved**, **unnoted** suffering received, loved, and transformed by an All-Caring God.

How else could we believe in God at all? How else could we have any kind of cosmic hope? How else would we not die of sadness for what humanity has done to itself and to one another? Jesus is the blueprint, the plan, the pattern revealed in one body and moment of history to reveal the meaning of all of history and each of our lives. The cross is the banner of what we do to one another and to God. The resurrection is the banner of what God does to us in return.

Easter is the announcement of God's perfect and final victory.



A prayer:

Living God, the risen Christ is on the move among us, but often we don't recognize him. Like Mary Magdalene, we weep by the tomb, interpreting events in their worst possible light, until we hear the risen one call our name. Like the men walking to Emmaus, we think the bad guys have one, until we see Jesus alive in the breaking of the bread. Like the disciples on the beach, we go back to our old lives of fishing, while the risen Christ is on the beach making a fire for a breakfast we're about to catch. Like Saul of Tarsus, we blindly surge forward doing our religious duty – even when it includes religious violence – until an unrecognised voice arrests us on the road, and when we ask, “Who are you, Lord?” we hear the answer: “Jesus, the one you are persecuting.” So now, where we face disappointment, discouragement, lack of faith or hope, or lack of conscience ... we open ourselves this Easter morning to discover that you are already here, unrecognised. Today, may we once again hear our name, recognize Christ in the breaking of bread, cast our nets again, and know the good news that the Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!”—Rev. Brian McLaren

# CHURCH CALENDAR

## MARCH

SUN 6	<b>MOTHERING SUNDAY</b> Family Service Rev. Roger French (Paraclete) Evening Worship – The Junction Special Guest: Rev Sue Chapman	10.30 am 6.30 pm
Mon 7	Lent Course – Session 4 At Hove Methodist Church	7.30 pm
Tue 8	Tuesday Fellowship Willow Harmony Joint Elders’ Meeting at Hounsom URC	2.30 pm 7.30 pm
Wed 9	Lent Course – Session 4 At Central URC	2.00 pm
Fri 11	Lent Course – Session 5 At Hove Methodist Church	10.00 am
SUN 13	Family Service – Holy Communion David Walters Evening Worship Rev. Lynda Hulcoop	10.30 am 6.30 pm
Mon 14	Lent Course – Session 5 At Hove Methodist Church	7.30 pm
Wed 16	Lent Course – Session 5 At Central URC Men’s Fellowship – Old Hove & Quiz Bryan Moody	2.00 pm 7.45 pm
Fri 18	Lent Course – Session 6 At Hove Methodist Church	10.30 am



SUN 20	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	
	GIFT DAY	
	Family Service	10.30 am
	Geoff Harrington	
	Church AGM	12 noon
	Evening Worship	6.30 pm
	Rev Sue Chapman	
Mon 21	Lent Course – Session 6	7.30 pm
	At Hove Methodist Church	
Tue 22	Tuesday Fellowship	2.30 pm
	Housing	
Wed 23	Lent Course – Session 6	2.00 pm
	At Central URC	
Thu 24	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>	
	United Maundy Service at Hove Methodist	7.30 pm
	Rev. Andy Lowe	
Fri 25	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	
	United Service with Methodists	10.00 am
	At Central	
	March of Witness	
	Palmeira Square to St Andrews	
SUN 27	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>	
	Sea Front Service	8.00 am
	On the prom at the bottom of The Drive	
	Easter Family Breakfast	9.00 am
	New Hall	
	Easter Family Service	10.30 am
	Rev. Sue Chapman	
	NO EVENING SERVICE AT CENTRAL	



## APRIL

Sat 2	Cakes, Cookies & Chat for Christian Aid (Chip Dunn's) see separate notice	2.30 pm
SUN 3	Family Service Bob Hinton Evening Worship – The Junction	10.30 am 6.30 pm
Mon 4	Christian Book Club “The Other Side of the Dale” (Pam Moody's)	8.00 pm

All contributions for the **APRIL** edition of the magazine should be handed in no later than **SUNDAY 20TH MARCH**

Please inform **Mr. Bill Maclean** by Wednesday of the preceding week of any calendar changes so that the calendar on the Order of Service may be altered.



## FLOWER ROTA for MARCH

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| 6th         | Vanda Jones—in memory of her mother & family |
| 13th & 20th | Available                                    |
| 27th        | Easter Flowers                               |

- Donations for Easter Flowers will be gratefully received by Rosemary Brice, preferably by 20th March.

## **CHRISTIAN AID**

### **Cakes, Cookies and Chat**

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

**2.30 – 5.00 p.m.**

Please join us at **234 New Church Road** (Chip Dunn's home) at some time during the afternoon.

There is no charge for the event but all donations made – for which a large bucket will be provided! – will go to augment our church's contribution to Christian Aid funds this year. Please come prepared to give as you feel able.

Christian Aid Week will be observed, as usual, in one or more of our church services during May, when more information about this year's focus will be given.

The organisation's primary aim is the worldwide eradication of poverty and injustice – so, come on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April and help us raise a little more this year, while enjoying the cake, cookies and chat AND, if you wish, participating in a few activities.

If you know you aim to come, it would be helpful if you let me, Pam Moody (01273 736511) or Chip Dunn (01273 414615) know, but, please feel free just to drop in on the afternoon – we will cope.!

- Good bus service along New Church Road – Nos. 1, 1A and 6.
- Free parking on road.



The United Reformed Church  
Southern Synod



**Welcome !!**  
To the Induction of  
The Revd. Sue Chapman  
as Minister of the Hove & Portslade  
Pastorate  
13 February 2016





## **CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB**

*All Scripture is inspired by God (God breathed) and profitable. .. 2*

Timothy 3:16

We did try! Truly, we did try to be serious in our discussion about The Song of Songs or Song of Solomon, as it is sometimes known, and to treat it with the respect with which we would approach any book of the Bible. But, by the end of the evening, some of us had been reduced to weeping tears of laughter, and, in some homes, we had left husbands in a state of shock or terrified disbelief at the reading matter of their wives.

Never in the history of the Book Club had such a plethora of translations of the Bible been consulted and brought along to the meeting and our need for consulting various websites on the internet continued throughout the evening!

We appreciated the beauty of the imagery and the poetry of the book, although some found it a bit repetitive, and comparisons were made with the richness of Shakespeare's and Keats' poetic descriptions, and, if I might be slightly facetious for a moment, even "The Big Bang Theory" from TV: however, we still found it difficult to understand why such erotic verse should be included in the Bible at all. Not just in the Jewish Old Testament but also in more recent Bibles. Scholars, much more versed in theology etc than us continued to include it in Holy Scripture, so there must be a reason for doing so.

None of us could ever remember any minister in any church giving a sermon based on the Song of Songs, although we did learn that Bernard of Clairvaux preached 86 sermons on just the first two chapters of the book. A famous Jewish Rabbi, Akiba, claimed that "All Scriptures are holy, but the Song of Songs is the Holy of Holies." In more recent times, it was Rev. Peter Elliott who recommended we read it – and then he went off to France! (or fled the country!) To be fair he did leave us some notes to help us cope. The following is part of them:

Is it an allegory? In Jewish tradition the bridegroom and the bride are none other than God and Israel. The love they celebrate is the covenant relationship, which binds God and Israel together. In Christian tradition, the book becomes the story of Christ and the Church, or Christ and the human soul. Origen was well aware, however, that it was not an interpretation that would be obvious to everyone! He said the book should not be put into the hands of everyone - it could so easily be

misunderstood.

Or is it just a collection of lovely love poems...? Love poetry is part of the literature of all societies. It is not surprising that ancient Israel makes its contribution to this perennial theme. It may be that the book is an anthology of Hebrew love poems, some of which may go back to the time of Solomon, others of which may be centuries later. There have been attempts to understand the book as a collection of wedding songs.

Links have also been found with funeral feasts, at which love and life are defiantly affirmed in the face of death.

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son” John 3: 16. As we explore the mystery of human love and come face to face in the Song of Songs with the total and tender self-giving of the lovers to each other, we are reminded of the depth and mystery of God's self-giving love for the world, and also of the responsive love to which he calls us. “We love because God first loved us...” 1 John 4; 7-10 often used at weddings.

When we come to the climax of the book with its assertion (Ch 8: 6-7): “Love is strong as death - many waters cannot quench love, neither can floods drown it”, we can hear through these words the claim of the Gospel that the love of God, incarnate in Jesus, is the one reality that nothing can destroy, and we are challenged to live our lives in that faith.

It is part of the unfailing fascination of the Old Testament that it places side by side two such different books as Ecclesiastes and Song of Songs - The one shrewdly, almost coldly, intellectual - the other warm, suffused with the language of the heart.

The one sadly cynical about women - the other in which the woman plays the leading role in the dialogue of love.

The one haunted by the chill of the destructiveness of death - the other affirming that love is stronger than death.

The one perplexed as to whether life has any discernable meaning - the other finding meaning in the most intimate of all human relationships.

It is witness to the richness of the Bible that this should be so, a richness to which we shall be blind if we come to the Bible insisting that there must be one simple message running through it from beginning to end.

With an early Easter, we are not meeting in March but on **4<sup>th</sup> April** at Pam Moody's, when we switch to a more light-hearted book, “The Other Side of the Dale” by Gervaise Finn.

And on **25<sup>th</sup> April**, we are taking Peter Elliott’s advice, once more, and having a second look at Ecclesiastes. This time looking at it from a slightly different point of view!

Please feel free to join us; you will be very welcome.

### **OFF THE FENCE – A Reminder!**

For a number of years Central has supported **Off The Fence** by responding to their monthly list of ‘Urgent Needs’ – a list which covered a wide range of items required by the people who depend on their support. More recently, following a visit by Paul Young who explained that they often get an imbalance (can you ever have too many toilet rolls?), it was agreed that we, like a number of other supporters would focus on just one item – **Men’s Spray Deodorant**. So, when you are pushing your trolley round the supermarket or passing the discount shop keep a look out for special offers on this product – they are not interested in designer names the cheap ones are perfectly acceptable! The basket is at the top of the stairs – we don’t have to fill it but to use a well-worn saying “every little helps”!



## YOUR LETTERS

*Dear Friends,*

*I would just like to say thank you for all your thoughts, prayers and messages during the treatment of my wife, Angela, for breast cancer.*

*I am pleased to report that it has worked and she has now been given the all clear. #*

*She will need to go back for a check-up in one year's time to make sure that nothing has come back.*

*Thank you all once again.*

*Ray Eaves.*

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*Dear Friends,*

*Thank you all for your kindness during my Shirley's final days and for the beautiful tribute to her in the magazine. We were married for thirty years.*

*She was a very quiet and private person, so I kept her funeral to family and to Rosemary, our Elder.*

*I would also like to thank Peter Elliott for his thoughtfulness.*

*Clive Hamblin.*

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*Thank you so much to all those involved in Sue's Induction Service last Saturday. We very much appreciated your welcome and hospitality. It might have been a grey, drizzly day, but it was a warm, friendly occasion.*

*We send our best wishes for the future under Sue's guidance; we'll keep you in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Please pass on our thanks to all concerned.*

*From,*

*The Fellowship at Edward Street, Dunstable*

*Dear Friends at Central,*

*Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers and the most generous gift - it is so kind of you.*

*It was such a happy occasion on Saturday and I am confident that Sue's ministry will be a blessing to you, as your faithfulness in witness and mission will be a blessing to her.*

*I shall think very carefully before deciding what to buy – but it will definitely be something that reminds me of the Hove and Portslade Pastorate.*

*During my time as Interim Moderator, I have been blessed to serve you and so impressed by all three congregations and your responsiveness to the situations in which God has placed you.*

*I am so pleased that you now have in Sue, a Minister who will lead you in new and different ways, in response to God's call.*

*With many thanks for your kindness and generosity.*

*May God continue to bless you in your discipleship.*

*Love,*

*Jenny.*

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**AN AFTERNOON  
Of  
CAKES, COOKIES AND CHAT**

Saturday 2nd April

To raise funds for **Christian Aid**

At 234 New Church Road

See Page 17 for details

**THE RETREATS FELLOWSHIP**  
**Of the United Reformed Church, Southern**  
**Synod.**

**The Fellowship is open to all who want to deepen their relationship with God through prayer, reflection and silence and who value the encouragement of others.**

**PROGRAMME for 2016**

**Annual Residential Retreat**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March**

At The Emmaus Centre West Wickham

Theme:

Earthed: Rooting our Worship within the Praises of Creation

Enabler: Rev Alex Mabbs

**QUIET DAYS:**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 10.00 am - 4.00 pm**

At Cross Way Church, Steyne Road, Seaford BN25 1HT

Enabler: Rev. Rose Westwood.

Cost £8 ( bring packed lunch, drinks provided)

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October, 10.00 am – 4.00 pm**

At Swanley URC, High Street, Swanley BR8 8AT

Enabler: Rev. Bernard Fidler

Cost £8 ( Bring packed lunch, drinks provided)

Further details from :

**John Gordon 01323 845380**

**[Revjohngordon@btinternet.com](mailto:Revjohngordon@btinternet.com)**

**Kathy Shaw 01322 557 656**

**[kathv.shaw316@btinternet.com](mailto:kathv.shaw316@btinternet.com)**

**Ken Lynch 01243 862801 [kenneth@lvnches.org.uk](mailto:kenneth@lvnches.org.uk)**

## **Fairtrade Easter eggs available from**

Louise Mabbs 01273 732512 or [louise.mabbs.textiles@btinternet.com](mailto:louise.mabbs.textiles@btinternet.com)

*Advanced notice*

**Please join us for a Fairtrade Fortnight Event at Brighthelm URC**

### **Break 4T - Fairtrade Fortnight**

**Thursday 10th March 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm**

#### **Food tasting**

A large selection of Traidcraft tea, coffee, cereal, chocolate etc for you to try and buy

### **Launch**

of the Brighthelm Fairtrade cupboard – food, crafts, gifts, cards & more

### **Fairtrade shops**

Barb from **Love That Stuff**, Brighton Marina - gifts, clothes, crafts - <http://www.lovethatstuff.co.uk>

Shiobhan from **Fair Queens Rd** – clothes - <http://thefairshop.co.uk>

#### **Speakers -**

**Greg Valerio** – inspiring campaigner for fairtrade jewellery and integrity within the worldwide mining & designing industry <http://www.valeriojewellery.com> <http://blog.gregvalerio.com/the-fair-trade-jeweller/>

**Louise Mabbs** – voluntary Fairtrade rep and campaigner for T r a i d c r a f t & T e a r f u n d <https://louisemabbsfairtradesfair.wordpress.com/>

**Peter Kyle** MP & others TBC – see our websites for current details

**Free** but donations to cover further costs welcome - we have a small amount of sponsorship by the Co-op Charity fund (logo/website?)

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