



The **HIGHLANDER**

May 2019

**The monthly newsletter of Highlands Methodist
Church, Leigh on Sea**

Worship in May 2019

5 th	10:30	Café Church	Kathy McCullough
12 th	10:30	Morning Worship Communion Church General Meeting	Rev Norman Hooks
19 th	10:30	Morning Worship	Worship Leaders
26 th	10:30	Morning Worship United Service	Pr Steve Mayo

'Crafty Church' meets at 10:30 am on Sundays
For young people - meeting Jesus through art and craft
Come in and FaceTime with Jesus

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Highlands Methodist Church

Hospitality in the Midst of our Community

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From the Editor

As you'll see, much of this issue is taken up with reports from various parts of the church. These reports are normally delivered to the Church General Meeting (12 May) but deserve a wider audience. So here they are.

I think that you'll be surprised at the diversity and complexity of what goes on at Highlands. Bear in mind also that there are many users of our building that are not formally affiliated to the Church. The players of badminton and bridge (not at the same time!) come immediately to mind but there are many more besides.

If at any time you are interested in joining any of these groups, just have a word with the person named as a contact. I promise you a warm welcome.

Because the reports take up quite a lot of space, I've had to hold over a couple of large items – namely one of Peter Courtenay's insightful articles about his work and vocation as a Street Pastor, and a contribution from local author and campaigner Jill King-Allen OBE, whom many of us know through her involvement in the Winter Night Shelter programme.

Rest assured that both of these will feature in the June issue.

God bless all here.

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Humour Corner

Extract of overheard conjugal negotiation:

Tell you what – I'll meet you half way. If you admit I'm right, I'll admit you're wrong...

Prayer

We pray for our friends who are ill, housebound or bereaved and for those in residential care: Pat Gare in Admirals Court, Marie Moore at Archers Court (Hitchin), Mary Barter in Langley Lodge, Jean Burgess in St Martins Care Home and Doll Edwards in The Cedars. Our thoughts and prayers are with them and their families.

Please remember in your prayers the friends and family of Josh Tippet, who died on 13 April. Josh was just 13 years old. Though he suffered throughout his life, people who knew him remember an infectious joy in life that he was always ready to share. Josh was deeply loved by family and friends and we were pleased and honoured to be able to commend him into our Lord's care here at Highlands on 23 April.

Envelope Scheme

If you are a taxpayer and donate on a regular basis to the church collection please consider joining the band of people who use the weekly offertory envelopes to record their giving and enable us to claim a tax refund (an extra 25p for every £1 you give) under the Gift Aid scheme.

It will cost you absolutely nothing extra on your tax bill. Indeed if you are lucky enough to pay higher rate Income Tax or Capital Gains Tax it will actually save you a few pennies. If that sounds too good to be true then I assure you it isn't. And don't lose sleep worrying that you are involved in unacceptable tax avoidance; it's precisely what the legislation intends.

FE/AH

Church Flowers

Our flower rota of dedicated flower arrangers produce stunning displays every week. We owe our thanks to Jean Edmonds, Pauline Saville and Margaret Wood.

The Hobbies ladies also enjoy creating arrangements for the coffee tables. They are always on the lookout for new talent.

For details of who has supported this month's flowers, look on page 24. You can do this in memory of a loved one, or just because it pleases you to do so, anonymously if you prefer.

Humour Corner

Father:
What's the matter sweetheart?

Tearful child:
Daddy, a large horrible wasp just stung me.

Father:
Don't worry sweetheart. I'll put some cream on it.

Child:
Don't be so stupid Daddy. He'll be half a mile away by now.



**Highlands Methodist Church
Agenda of the General Church Meeting
Sunday 12 May 2019**

1. Opening Prayers and Devotions
2. Attendance and Apologies
3. Remembering those who have died
4. Minutes of meeting held on 20 May 2018
5. Reports on the life of Highlands Methodist Church 2018/19
6. Annual Elections of:
 - 6.1 Church Stewards
 - 6.2 Church Council Representatives
 - 6.3 Representatives to Circuit Meeting and their substitutes.
7. Celebration, Reflection and Conversation on the life and future of Highlands Methodist Church.
8. Closing Devotions

Highlands General Church Meeting 2019

These are the reports to be delivered at the GCM on Sunday 12 May. In some cases they have been edited down.

Our Minister

Around this time last year we received the sad news that Rev Julia was ill and needed to begin treatment immediately. We continue to follow her progress with interest and uphold her with our prayers. It was at this point that I was invited to step in as interim minister until last September, and it has been my privilege to continue throughout the year as Highlands' minister. I would like to just express my gratitude to the church family for the friendship, warmth and encouragement as we have sought to discern and follow God's leading together.

Let me start by highlighting what I have found to be characteristics of our church community that have been a particular blessing to me. Highlands has a very strong volunteer base which makes it possible for so much to be delivered both in terms of the maintenance, upkeep and in particular loving mission into the community. You are all amazing and I want you to know that your service is appreciated and never taken for granted! Finance, property, stewarding, pastoral, craft, prayer, worship, as well as the passion I have found for people who are vulnerable and in particular the homeless!

Something else I love about Highlands is the way new ideas and suggestions are taken seriously, considered, evaluated and, when it seems appropriate, acted upon! I know some of us come up with some crazy initiatives; but keep them coming! We might not always act on every suggestion, but you can be sure your ideas are valued. The latest thing has been the idea of doing something different on 'Father's Day' (16 June since you ask). Let's hope and pray we can pull this off. You know, there's no shame in trying new things and some of them becoming a bit of a flop. I'd rather try five new things and get two of them to fly, rather than out of the fear of failure, not

try new ideas and never achieve anything at all. Let's keep on dreaming dreams and pushing the boat out - you never know when you'll get a good catch or end up in the middle of a storm. In this context - Parade Services have been fun, and it has been so worthwhile doing the children's event - X-Cite on Saturday mornings.

Another highlight of the year was receiving new people into membership, and I am pleased to say that someone else has expressed an interest in becoming a member. In the near future I will be holding a couple of sessions to explore church membership and would love to hear from anyone who would like to join us in these.

Now then - a particular thank you to our two employees! Anne Lane who continues to do a great job with the property, and Julie Peek whose role has changed somewhat but who continues to do an amazing job not least through the community days. We value and appreciate you both but also recognise that your contribution depends on the army of volunteers we spoke of earlier. A special mention also needs to go to our organists Tim and Barry; your involvement has truly enriched our worship.

I also just want to celebrate the different groups who use our premises - Showstoppers, Uniformed Organisations, the Salvation Army Pre School and many others, as well as all those groups run by the church whose reports will be included in the Highlander this month for our General Church Meeting. Thanks Andrew for using this month's publication this way - much appreciated.

Finally, as we seek to set fresh goals for the year ahead let us become devoted to prayer, released in worship and focussed upon God's call upon us to share his presence, grace and love with others!

God bless, Norman.

Stewards' Report

Stewards currently in post are

- Frank Edmonds
- Jean Edmonds
- Lesley Hyde
- Andrew Hyde
- Steve Jones
- Kathy McCullough
- Donald Mayes

Thanks to everyone for their help during the year. Without exception our stewards have other church responsibilities, so we are lucky to be able to rely on them.

We also have a great team of vestry assistants – Maureen Kelly, Jill Groves, Vanessa Mayes, and Sandra Harrison. Jackie Williams, along with others already mentioned, compiles and prints the weekly news sheets. Patrick and Andreas operate the projector/computer each week. Tim Francis regularly (and Barry McCurdy on occasions) has played the organ for us and advised on musical matters.

So what do the stewards actually do? There are some clues above, but in short, the job of the stewards is to decide how best to use limited resources to meet the spiritual needs of Highlands, and then to make it happen.

On every occasion where stewarding has been required, we have successfully provided a stewarding service. Where sound amplification is needed, we plug it in and switch it on and test it. If people want to sit in a circle, we'll get the chairs shifted. If written material is required, we get it printed. Where refreshments are required, we arrange it. And so it goes on, sometimes without anyone really being aware. But we don't mind that; if nobody notices what the stewards are doing, then we are probably working effectively!

If equipment gets broken or wears out, we make decisions to replace it (always assuming the Treasurer has the money). We arranged the upgrade of the lighting, whose versatility was shown to great effect in the Passover meal on Maundy Thursday, and managed to secure a grant for some of the cost. We try to innovate, inviting people to Highlands for special events, especially families, young people and community groups.

Once again we ran a Nativity Trail to stir up interest in our celebration of Advent and Christmas 2018. And thanks to some heroic steeplejacking by Andrew Saville and Frank Edmonds, supported by me, we revived the custom of having a lit exterior Christmas tree, twinkling every night and clearly visible from the London Road.

We make small changes to our worship and try to ensure everyone can have a say. We've agreed to the Circuit using Highlands as a base, and arranged for the Church Office a quick clean and tidy in order to welcome them.

We have continued to support the excellent work of Julie Peek, the Mission Enabler to Older People. Julie's report appears separately, and I commend it to you.

As always we welcome volunteers to become members of the steward team. A nomination form is included as the last page of this issue, so that you can clip, complete and submit it.

AH

Treasurer's Report

Our income derives from offertories, lettings, donations, fund raising and any associated Gift Aid. From this we have to pay utility bills, insurance, property maintenance /improvements and equipment etc. In addition we have to pay a Circuit Assessment. This currently is £23,441 per annum.

The Church financial year runs from the 1 September until the 31 August. Accounts are independently audited & submitted to the Circuit.

In the last Financial year (y/e 31/08/18) our expenditure exceeded receipts by £3,556. The main project expenditure was £5,316 on re-surfacing the Car Park.

However, we remain solvent albeit delicately balanced.

So far this year our main project expenditure has been the installation of much needed, improved Sanctuary lighting at a cost of £12,846. This was funded by very generous donations, a grant from the Garfield Weston Foundation and existing Church funds. Many thanks to those involved in the fund raising and to those who donated.

Donations have been thoughtfully made and gratefully received from Barry Tipping in memory of Kay, and from Betty Hall in memory of Arthur. This will enable us to improve the catering facilities within the Sanctuary and assist in the provision of improved 'projection' facilities.

We continue to support various charities on a regular basis- Action for Children, Christian Aid, Mission in Britain, World Mission, and others as and when the Spirit calls.

Lettings remain our main source of income accounting for over 50%.

Grateful thanks, as always, go to Les Davis and Anne Lane for managing the lettings, Patrick Smith for drafting Gift Aid applications and Jackie Williams and Sylvia Cornwell for banking.

DW

Property Report

Another year has gone by and looking over the past year a few projects have been completed:

- New lights in the sanctuary
- Car park resurfaced
- Vestry and corridor repainted – thank you to all who were involved
- Jubilee Room entrance concrete renewed

AL

Knit & Natter

We continue to meet in the Lounge every Tuesday morning throughout the year (bad weather and Music Exams excepted when we meet at 'Affinity' for coffee).

During the past year we have lost several of our faithful members who have moved into residential care, but we still maintain contact with them. The good news is we have recently had three new ladies join us. As mentioned in the Highlander, some of us knit/crochet but we all enjoy a good chat and each other's company. A few scarves and hats have been made and Anne Lane from Thundersley has kindly collected them for onward transmission on our behalf. Some of our ladies like to come along and join in to support church activities such as Coffee Mornings, Community Days, Easter bonnet parade etc. We now have Julie Peek to support us and Rev Norman

pops in from time to time to have a chat which is much appreciated. We welcome anyone who happens to be on the premises on a Tuesday morning to join us for a cuppa and a chat.

Mission Enabler for Older People and Memory Worship facilitator

I've spent the past three years in this role for both Highlands and Wesley Methodist Churches, so Jan 2019 marked a new direction when I became employed solely by Highlands Church. I have still the additional role to encourage and support the spread of the new Memory Worship ministry that started at Wesley in 2016.

My first priority was to shadow the busy existing range of activities for older people at Highlands, to establish new events that complemented Highlands' life and try to improve church/community links.

JP

Movies at Highlands

The introduction of Monthly Movie Mornings at both Wesley and Highlands has brought new people into both churches. Highlands particular style of welcome has been so encouraging that people come from 12 onwards, enjoy a light lunch, meet friends and then watch the film together. Rossi ice creams also go down extremely well. We have a regular group of around 15 people who meet every month and I always aim to signpost people to all the other activities taking place at Highlands.

JP

Hobbies

Hobbies meet on first and third Thursdays of the month with a bring-and-share lunch on the first Thursday. This was a well-established club before I took on my role (numbers are increasing to 14 some mornings and we have two additional members about to join) but it is really helpful on a practical level for me to help with putting the tables out, food preparation and putting everything away after.

We each bring our own creative gifts to Hobbies. Lately we have been making Easter baskets and hangings with cross-stitch, instructed by Marjorie, also clay modelling together with our usual card making and flower arranging. We follow with lunch in the first week, for those who wish to stay - a great time for sharing together. If you would like to come along and join us you would be most welcome.

JP

Highlands Community Days

The most rewarding of all of my initiatives at Highlands continues to be Community Days, of which we have had five to date.

Initially the idea came from the leaders at MenCap "Showstoppers" who meet on a Thursday in the church hall. It came out of "The Great Get Together" inspired by Jo Cox MP, who was killed on 16th June 2016. We decided to join this countrywide community initiative with our first Community Day held on July 2017 with crafts, flower arranging, refreshments, and entertainment from the talented Showstoppers. We have completed each day with a Community service.

Every Community Day brings a variety of different friends popping in to entertain us. At the 2018 Winter Wonder Community day entertainment was brought by the inspiring 'MenCap Showstoppers', Smiley Pre-School, Michael Glaysher as Elvis and

The Daisy Bowlers all enchanting us with a repertoire celebrating the festive season. The day ran from 11 am until 3 pm with Rev Norman Hooks leading an All Age Community Service at 2 pm. Methodist Mission in action has never been more evident to me than at Highlands Community days and it is always wonderful to see our community coming together to celebrate all that unites us.

JP

Outings

When an opportunity arises I try to plan outings and have found community links with Age Concern Southend really helpful. In November last year we borrowed the Age Concern minibus and volunteer driver Tony, to take 12 of Highlands' older family to see the "*Some Kind of Wonderful*" show at the Palace theatre.

JP

Memory Worship

This new ministry that started life at Wesley continues to grow. On Monday 21 January 2019 Wesley Memory Worship celebrated its 2nd Birthday and "Lord of all hopefulness" seemed a perfect theme for the day. Sixty people gathered to share worship together with dancing, singing, storytelling and yummy Birthday cake.

It was our vision when we set up this new ministry two years ago to find a way that people with or without dementia could join in worship and take comfort that God accepts us all and meets us where we are today. Two years on, and Memory Worship has become a beacon for churches across the country to address the spiritual needs of people (and their carers) living with dementia. Every month, churches contact me wanting to come and learn how they can emulate for their own communities, from Somerset to Hereford and Birmingham to South Woodham Ferrers and many others in between. Last week I learned of a new Memory Worship service that had just started in Bedale Methodist Church in

Yorkshire.

In Essex there is a Memory Worship service at Thorpe Bay Methodist Church on the first Monday of the Month. On the third Monday of the month Memory Worship services are held both at Wesley Methodist Church in Leigh-on-sea and at Holy Trinity Church in South Woodham Ferrers.

If you would like to come along to one of the local Memory Worship services or you would like to form a team to start a new Memory Worship service at Highlands please do come and have a chat.

JP

Home Group

Twice a month on Tuesday evenings Glenda's friendly home enfolds us as we chat, open the Bible, discuss, pray and enjoy a cuppa and cake. This year we've looked at a variety of Psalms and especially pastoral care in Psalm 23.

Why not join us?

KMcC

Cafe Church

Each month, instead of sitting in pews, we gather round tables with hot drinks. We start with an activity: for example, identifying butterflies, birds, trees, word searches, quizzes, card making. Songs, discussions, testimonies and talks on a theme follow.

My team: Andreas, Don, Sandra, are wonderful.

KMcC

X-cite

In the autumn we began a monthly Saturday morning activity for children. The numbers have been small but we've had great fun with a Bear Hunt, boat making and racing, a sardine sandwich picnic, and an Easter Egg Hunt.

The Team: Norman, Jean, Ros, Jenny and Peter have used both imagination and enthusiasm.

We are not sure how this activity will go forward, but would like to see children's work develop in the life of our church.

KMcC

9th Leigh Cubs

The cubs have had a good year - it's a thriving pack of, currently, 24 boys and 2 girls. Lesley & Bob Bacon are still running the pack - this was on a temporary basis (!!) but 30 months later, they're still there. Lesley Hyde & Chris assist most weeks with parent support as well as 2 great young leaders – Jordan & Jacob. The parent support has been brilliant – with up to 6 helpers. We couldn't manage without them.

Since last year a small number of boys (and their leader Andrew) have joined us temporarily from 8th Leigh cub pack.

We went to camp at Belchamps last September and had a good time, with several cubs experiencing their first ever 'night away'. As a winter project, we have recently had an indoor camp – a great success.

Church parades have been streamlined to an essential 4 per annum. This gives us flexibility to join in organising special occasion parades such as the recent event for the Brownies' 90th birthday. This last year we've been doing lots of badge work – have a look at the cubs' arms next time they are at church parade. We are now planning further escapades for the summer and autumn.

Kathy's Corner 9

An exciting journey lay before me as I set out for Beirut in September 1968.

I'd never travelled overseas before and I was going alone. It was to be over land to Venice and by boat to Beirut. Scary, but OK, until I got to Venice. There the news met me that the crew was on strike and the boat was in Trieste (then Yugoslavia). All my courage left me and I sobbed my heart out on the steps overlooking the Grand Canal with the gondolas bobbing on the water.



Extra expenses left me wondering how I would pay, but God answered my prayers. We were reimbursed for the meals lost on board, as we experienced a day's strike in each port.

Finally, five days late, we sailed into Beirut in the warm sunshine. I was welcomed into the heart of the Levant and my great adventure had begun.

Humour Corner

Passenger on aeroplane radio:

Hello – air traffic control. The pilot's unconscious, I can't wake him up and I'm the only passenger

Air Traffic Control:

Don't panic sir. You'll be OK. First give me your height and position.

Passenger:

Five-foot eight, sitting at the front...

Dates to Remember

Visit to Wesley's Chapel

On Saturday 18 May the Circuit is going on a coach trip to Wesley's Chapel. The day will include talks by the Rev Jennifer Smith, Superintendent of Wesley's Chapel, and Rev Calvin Samuel, eminent Methodist theologian, as well as a worship service and a visit to Wesley's house and museum.

This event is free, but you need to book up using Eventbrite, where you can also get more information. You need to follow this link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/worship-academy-trip-to-wesleys-chapel-saturday-18th-may-tickets-59192094147>

If you're not sure how to use Eventbrite, ask any of the stewards for help.

Serving the Homeless (StH) / HARP

What a lovely Easter we had! Even the stalwarts at Bell Wharf on Easter Sunday were bathed in sunshine. There are however many who are sleeping on the streets in fair weather and foul! We do our best to alleviate their discomfort.

Our next fundraising event will be a Quiz Night at St Margaret's Church Hall on 11 May from 7.00 pm for a prompt start at 7.30 pm. Tickets at £5.00 per head, tables of 8, bring your own drinks and nibbles.

Following that there will be a fundraising meal at the popular EAST which has been booked for 3 July. Tickets available soon. Our summer raffle tickets will be on sale from June until the draw in early September.

Copies of the Annual Report for Serving the Homeless 2018 are available in the Jubilee Room. It was a record-breaking year, during which StH raised over £17,000 and paid out over £16,000 in

donations that included HARP, Southend YMCA, Churches Winter Night Shelter Scheme and Love Southend. The work that we're continuing started back in 1970, offering support to young people in particular.

Thank you all for your continued support by attending the functions we organise, your continuing contributions at the back of the church and of course your prayers that are always needed.

Highlands Hobbies

We will be meeting on Thursday 2 May at 10:00 am in the Church. Jean will be guiding us with flower arranging. Lunch will follow for those who wish to stay. We will also meet on Thursday 16 May at 10:00 am in the Church when Marjorie and Margaret will be guiding us with spirelli string art.

If you wish to try Hobbies why not join us on 7th or 21st Feb as a taster. All are welcome.

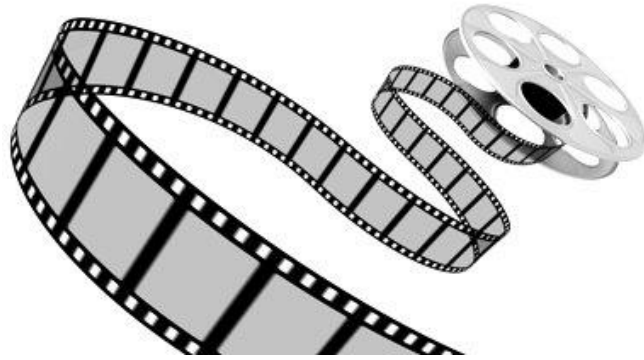
Contacts - Jean Edmonds 525250 Julie Peek 479804

PinPoint

Pin Point is a spin-off from Hobbies, led by Teresa and assisted by Glenis.

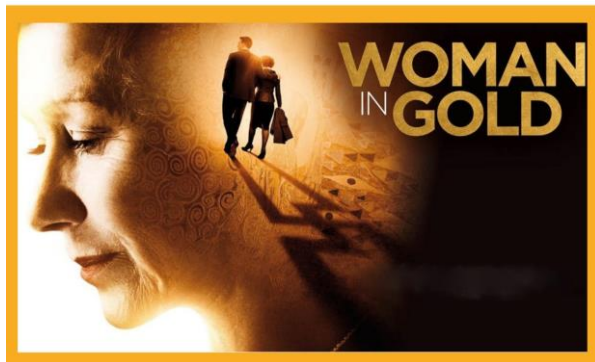
We are a small group of fluctuating numbers. After finishing the Community Banner we followed with making beautiful cushion covers and tray cloths, instructed by the very talented Teresa Rutterford.

Presently we're working on individual projects and refurbishing the church banners, but we'll start a Christmas project in September. We meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm, and new members will be very welcome.



Movies @ Highlands
A HIGHLANDS FRIDAY HUB EVENT
Wednesday 24 May 1:30 pm
'Woman in Gold' [12A]

"Woman in Gold" is the remarkable true story of one woman's journey to reclaim her heritage and seek justice for what happened to her family. Sixty years after she fled Vienna during World War II, an elderly Jewish woman, Maria Altmann (Helen Mirren), starts her journey to retrieve family possessions seized by the Nazis, among them Gustav Klimt's famous painting Portrait of Adele Bloch-Bauer I. Together with her inexperienced but



plucky young lawyer Randy Schoenberg (Ryan Reynolds), she embarks upon a major battle which takes them all the way to the heart of the Austrian establishment and the U S Supreme Court, and forces her to confront difficult truths about the past along the way.

This is a FREE EVENT (come from 12 noon with your picnic and enjoy some soup. Tea and coffee and Rossi Ice cream also available)

*What are you
doing for your
Dad on Father's
Day?*



**HIGHLANDS METHODIST CHURCH
FATHER'S DAY
EXTRAVAGANZA**



**SUNDAY 16TH JUNE
FROM 10AM**

Alternative Worship

Gospel@The Fishermen's Chapel

Sunday 14 May at 7:00 pm for 7:30 pm (second Sunday). All are welcome for this relaxed evening of Gospel Music and reflection with tea/coffee and cake before and after the service. This occasion is not only tuneful and uplifting but a whole lot of fun.

Belfairs

Thirsty For?

Thursday 9 May at 7:00 pm (second Thursday)

Wesley

Inspire - Contemporary Worship

A short upbeat worship service, a talk, and then group discussion.
Sunday 19 May at 5:30 pm (third Sunday)

Informal Service

Tuesday 28 May at 8:00 pm (fourth Tuesday).

Memory Worship

Worship for those with and without Dementia
Monday 20 May at 2:00 pm (third Monday)

Committees

Property & Finance	21 May 2019 at 8:00 pm
Pastoral	24 September 2019 at 10:00 am
Church Council	19 June 2019 at 8:00 pm
General Church Meeting	12 May immediately after Morning Service (except for coffee break)



Coffee Mornings in May

Saturday 4 May	Music @ Highlands
Saturday 11 May	Christian Aid
Saturday 18 May	Church Funds
Saturday 25 May	Toddlers



Flower Rota

	Donated by	In memory of	Arranged by
5 May	Frank & Jean	Mike	Jean
12 May	Mary Barter	Family	Jean
19 May	Church Flowers		Margaret
26 May	Jackie Williams	Family	Pauline

There are some vacant slots on the flower rota. Please contact Jean if you would like to take one up.

SERVING the COMMUNITY 7 Days a Week

Children and Young People

Highlands Toddlers	Monday 9:30-11:30 am	Margaret Wood	 557512
Rainbows	Wednesday 4:00-5:00 pm	Jacqui Hendle	 557147
Brownies	Wednesday 5:30-7:00 pm	Dilys Haddow	 710207
Cub Scouts	Thursday 5:45-7:15 pm	Lesley Bacon	lesleykbacon@googlemail.com
Scouts	Thursday 7:30-9:00 pm	Sally Monk	 558857
Rangers	Thursdays 7:30-9:00 pm	Jacqui Hendle	 557147
Guides	Friday 7:00-9:00 pm	Jacqui Hendle	 557147

Fellowship Groups

Housegroup meets on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Services to the Community

Regular **Sunday Worship**

Tuesday Morning **Prayer Service** at 9:00 am.

Traidcraft: Catalogue available for orders. Please contact Pamela and Patrick Smith - ☎557702.

Social and Recreational

Knit and Natter Group	Tue 10:00 am-12:00 noon	Sylvia ☎556433
Badminton Club	Mon 8:00 pm	Sarah ☎902235 or Sophia ☎07796 265676
Hobbies	1 st & 3 rd Thu 10.00 am – 12:00 noon	Jean ☎525250
Ladies' Badminton	Fri 10.00 am – 12:00 noon	Dilys ☎710207
Adult Art Classes	Thu 2:00 – 4:00 pm	Susan ☎551025 or 07875 079739
Children's Art Club	Thu 4:00 – 5:00 pm	

Items for the **June 2019 issue** should be emailed to andrewghyde@aol.com **before Sunday 26 May**. No email? Don't despair; just telephone 473111 to arrange an alternative.

**Nomination Form for a Steward and/or
Church Council Member**



Please prayerfully consider who you would like to nominate as a Church Steward and/or Church Council member. We would like up to 2 additional Stewards who will also serve as a member of the Church Council and we could do with an additional 2 members to serve on the Church Council. These will be elected at the General Church Meeting on the 12th May 2019 after the morning service.

Please complete the form(s) below if you would like to nominate a person to undertake one or both of the above roles. Each person can nominate up to 2 Stewards and 2 Church Council members.

Nomination for a Steward

Name of Nominee:

Name of Proposer:

I am willing for my name to be put forward for the role of Church Steward for Highlands Methodist Church.

Signature of Nominee:

Nomination for a Church Council Member

Name of Nominee:

Name of Proposer:

I am willing for my name to be put forward for the role of a Church Council Member for Highlands Methodist Church..

Signature of Nominee: