

# St. Anne's Church, Baslow

## October 2017 Bulletin.

*'St Anne's is a vibrant worshipping community that is Good News for Baslow – a church that is praying, loving, growing and connecting.'*



St. Anne's Church, Baslow by kind permission of Michael Cummings

Welcome to the October 2017 edition of the Church newsletter. You might think that a newsletter or even a Parish magazine are fairly modern concepts, but as you will see below they clearly are not. From 1907, here is the cover of St. Anne's Church Magazine, courtesy of Anne Tempest.



Next month we might take a look at Rev Stockdale in more detail but this month Anne Tempest has kindly provided some information on another Baslow notable from the same period – Dr. Edward Wrench.

## **DR. EDWARD MASON WRENCH 1833 to 1912**

### **Park Lodge, Chatsworth Park, Baslow**



Dr. Wrench was the son and grandson of two Vicars of St. Michaels, Corn Hill, London. He qualified at St. Thomas's; Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons (FRCS) at the age of 20 and served in the Crimea and the Indian Mutiny. He can be seen in his uniform in the photograph left. Later he was surgeon to three Dukes of Devonshire from 1861, and attended King Edward VII. The Duke allowed

him to practice in the surrounding area and the surgery was at his home in Baslow. He poses with his family in the photograph right.



He was very involved in local celebrations and events and designed the Church Jubilee Clock in 1897. The Physician's Window (see next page) on the north aisle of Baslow church was in memory of his three eldest children who died between 1890 and 1893 all in their twenties.



Left: St. Luke the Beloved Physician. Photograph courtesy of Alan Wilson.

Below is an extract from a letter written to his children on the occasion of Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee, 1887.

*My dear children,*

*You will no doubt like to hear how we spent "Jubilee Day" at Baslow.*

*8am The Church bells rang a merry peal*

*11am Mother presented 150 medals to the children.....*

*12 noon The Oddfellows processed with band and banner to the Church led by Rev Stockdale with hymns .....*

*1.30 pm Processed round village to Chatsworth Park where 200 sat down for*

*dinner*

*4 pm Mother unveiled my memorial cut on the big "Elephant stone" in the Park. Of course I made a speech. I spoke mainly to the children; I told them that I was born when there was a King of England, but no lucifer matches (flint & steel), when railways were only beginning to be made and there was no penny post or telegraphs. I foretold that more than half of the children there present would be alive 50 years hence and live to see still greater changes. I hoped and believed they would see a*

*great advance in the wellbeing of working classes. Tramways probably on every main road, railways to India and across Africa. I did not wish to talk as long as Mr Stockdale's sermon (24 min) or I might have added that they would see farthing postage, abolition of game laws, far more use of our Churches (for concerts and lectures) without any diminution of religious feeling. Such an improvement in the manners of people that it would be as disgraceful then for a cobbler or a mason to get drunk as it was considered now for a doctor or a parson to do so. There will be free Education then and possibly Established Hospitals in place of an Established Church. The world would be better and happier, but England will never see a better Queen than Victoria.*

*6 pm Captain of scouts organized races and games.....we did not degrade the women by having races for them, as they did at Bakewell to laugh at them.*

*10 pm We lit the bonfire on Dob Edge - it burnt and blazed fiercely and lit up the whole village. We could count 8 other bonfires near Baslow*



*My only regret that I had only one child out of seven at home to share in the enjoyment.*

*Your affectionate father*

His affection for his children comes across in this photo. He was a prolific hoarder of family papers which are now accessible from either the National Archives or the Nottingham University archives.

# What's on at St. Anne's?

## CHURCH NOTICES

### Dates for the diary.

**1<sup>st</sup> October 9.45am 'Songs of Praise', 4.30pm 'Connect'**

**8<sup>th</sup> October 9.45am Harvest Festival**

**15<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am Messey Church, 6.30pm Evensong**

**22<sup>nd</sup> October 9.45am Choral Communion**

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**Baslow Fellowship Programme.** Tuesday 10th October – Carolyn Baker: 'An update for Chesterfield Church on the Bus'.

**Baslow Julian Group.** (Contemplative Prayer Group) Thursday 10th October - Host June Powell, Overstone, Gorse Ridge Drive, Baslow.

**Senior Citizens' Programme.** Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October – Autumn Outing.

**Baslow Prayer Group.** This small-in-number group has been meeting regularly in the church for a year or so now. We meet to pray for the church and about any issues which have cropped up during the week on a personal level or as a result of a specific prayer request. Our times together have been a tremendous encouragement to each of us. In recent times there has also been ever more sharing of the Word of God. Aware that our meeting time of 3pm can clash with the Senior Citizens Programme, held every other Friday afternoon, we have mutually agreed to start meeting at 4pm from Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like to better 'Connect' with God in this simple way, or maybe you would like specific prayer about some concern or another, then do please come and join with us. It matters not if you haven't got an O Level in praying.

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On the subject of 'Connecting with God' don't forget that the 'Connect' Service is still taking place at St. Anne's. Held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month and starting with a tea if you are able to make it at 4:30pm, followed by the service at 5:30pm, both in the Church Rooms. Hopefully this newsletter will have come in sufficient time for this service yet to take place.

Again, the time together is very simplistic in nature but with the benefit of gifted musicians to aid a time of worship. The atmosphere, always warm and friendly, is ideal for bringing children along with you. Below is a photo from our last time together.



Matt and Mel Hartley - Matt with guitar and Mel on keyboard - are also organising a Bible study home group. This will meet at their home which is: Lindum, Cliff Lane, Calver, S32 3WD. If you would like to find out more, Matt's mobile is: 07912625096

### **Fountains of Life Ministries**

Donations at coffee time are in aid of



## Harvest Supper.



**Saturday October 7th Baslow Village Hall 7pm for  
7.30 pm**

**\*\*\*\*\* Pie and peas, homemade puddings, vegetarian  
or Gluten Free available. Bring your own glasses and  
drinks. \*\*\*\*\* Raffle and Entertainment \*\*\*\*\***

**Tickets £10 \*\*\*\*\* All are welcome.**

**Please add your name to the list at the back of Church**

**More info from June Powell: 01629 583375**

*The Harvest Supper is a great opportunity to meet members of the church and wider community who you might otherwise not know. The atmosphere is always warm, relaxed and very friendly and made all the finer with great entertainment, a raffle and of course a pie and pea supper. What more could you want?*

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## An apology.

As anyone can see the gentleman kneeling is David Thorpe and not John as suggested in last month's newsletter. The Church Heavy Lifting Section, i.e. David and Bill (standing) are available for most 'heavy lifting requirements' and their services come at a very reasonable rate.



## Worship The Lord.

Below are three 'links', highlighted in blue. Click on them and they will enable you to see and hear each of the particular renderings of this famous hymn. If you have a favourite why not get in touch as it will be interesting see what can be found out about it.

### 'Just as I am'

by Charlotte Elliott (1789 – 1871)

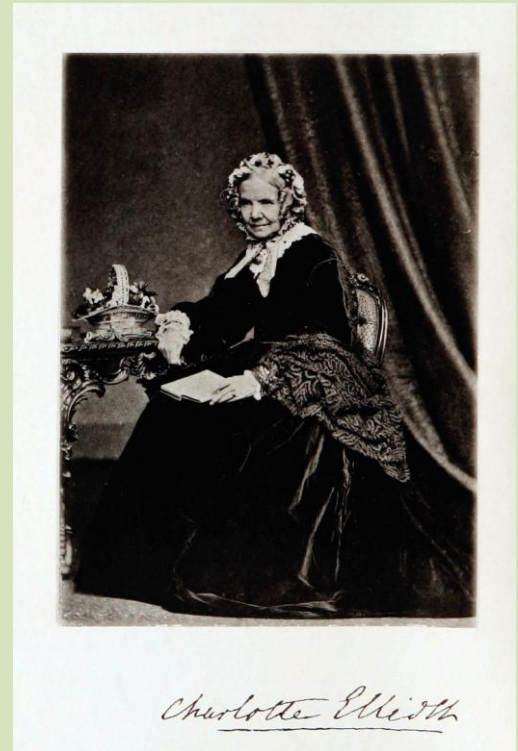
The seven verses making up the original version of this hymn were written by Charlotte in 1835 at a point in time when she had begun to wrestle with the doubts and fears of life which assail everyone from time to time. The difference for Charlotte was her faith in Christ and as she focussed upon all of the promises of Jesus, the several verses came to her and were written down – it is thought, in very little time. The hymn was first published in 1836. Evangelist Billy Graham was saved at a convention in 1935 at which the alter call had used the hymn 'Just as I am'. Years later it would become a recognised essential of his world-wide missions for Christ.

[Michael Neale \(Billy Graham intro\)](#)

[Church congregation](#)

[Acappella version](#)

[Brian Doerksen](#)



Just as I am, without one plea,  
But that Thy blood was shed for me,  
And that Thou bidest me come to Thee,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, and waiting not,  
To rid my soul of one dark blot,  
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about,  
With many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Fightings and fears within, without,  
O Lamb of God I come, I come.

Just as I am, poor wretched blind;  
Sight, riches, healing of the mind,  
Yea, all I need in Thee to find,  
O Lamb of God I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,  
Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;  
Because Thy promise I believe,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, Thy love unknown,  
Hath broken every barrier down,  
Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Charlotte Elliott could only write this hymn because she was able to focus on the promises of God – the promise of her sins forgiven, the promise of her salvation through the blood of Christ and the promise of the gift of God which is eternal life. The importance of coming to Jesus which Charlotte recognised in 1835 remains just as relevant to this very day.



Find out more about St. Anne's, Baslow by visiting the church website:

<http://www.stannesbaslow.org.uk/>

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