

# Guisborough United Reformed Church

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Ministers: Rev Catey Morrison Rev Margaret Robb

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Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup>, October, 2008. Service at 9.30am.

### Pentecost 21.

Worship is led this morning by Dorothy Harrison

**Northern Synod's Prayer Cycle for 2008.** Each day we are asked to pray for specific people, activities and fellowships within the Northern Province. *Thought for the month: 'How often do we look upon God as our last feeblest resource! We go to him because we have nowhere else to go. And then we learn the storms of life have driven us, not upon the rocks, but into the desired haven.'* George McDonald.

Today we pray for the fellowships of: **Durham Waddington Street; St Andrew's Crook Local Ecumenical Partnership; St George's Hartlepool.**

**Tuesday:** Bible Study Group – the meeting time is at noon and details are by arrangement. See Maureen, Ernest, Donna or Dorothy Harris for information on venues.

**Tuesday: Bridge Association Coffee Morning:** This fund raising event is now being held in Sunnyfield House on Tuesdays between 10am and 12 noon. They now need one or two more people to help once a month on Tuesdays. If you are able to help then phone Jenny, the Bridge Administrator, on 636825 or 07807 327963.

**Thursday:** Quiet Time at 11.30am, with Catey, Meg, Ken and others.

**Thursday:** Elders meeting at 7.15pm. Minutes and agenda can be found on the table at the back of the church. (Note change of date)

**Saturday,** Farmers Market - Church Open Day from 10.00am to 12 noon. Volunteers needed to act as stewards.

**Quiz Night:** This will take place on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup>, October, with Jenny Reynolds as Quiz Master. Additional quiz material/ questions are welcome.

**Mission Partnership Prayer Day:** The date of the Prayer Day is 29<sup>th</sup> December at Great Ayton and not 29<sup>th</sup> October as advertised in the Group News.

**Synod E-News:** Paper copies for the October edition are available on the table at the back of the church.

### **Zambian Visitors to the North of England.**

From the 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> October we will be having the pleasure of hosting two ministers from Zambia within the Group – Revd. Gerald Phiri and the Revd. Prince Nkhoswe, as part of their visit to the North of England with Romans 1:11 Trust, an organization which helps train pastors of the Zambian Synod of the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian. John and Shirley Morse from St. Andrew's, Marton have agreed to host the visitors on the Friday and Saturday nights, and Ken and Catey will be accompanying them on trips to Teesport and the beach (Zambia is a

land-locked country) on the Saturday. You will be able to get to know them as they take part in services across the group on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October, but there will also be opportunity for meeting our guests at a bring and share meal at our Guisborough Church at 6.30pm. It would be great if we could have a good number of people on the Saturday night to share this fellowship meal with them.

**Synod Pastoral Committee Highlights:** A copy of the committee highlights, for September, can be found on the notice board. These notes outline the activities of the working group throughout the Synod area - which is the North East of England. Please acquaint yourself with all is happening locally.

**Bottle Tops @ Synod:** St Andrew's URC, Monkseaton is collecting green plastic bottle tops to help a child gain a new wheelchair. Churches are asked to help by collecting as many as possible for the Synod meeting on 11<sup>th</sup>, October. Our Synod rep will take them there.

### **Messages from the Bridge Association**

**Bridge News October News Letter:** This posted on the notice board.

We are proud to announce that our **2009 Calendar Cookbook** is NOW available! This year's *stunning* new look is a set of cards in a CD-style plastic case – bridge photos on the front and soup and cake recipes on the back, donated by Soup and Roll cooks. We've even managed to reduce the price this year - £5 – and its smaller size makes it cheaper to post. So order now!

**Bridge AGM:** Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - **Bridge AGM** – 7.30pm at Guisborough Methodist Church. If you would like to nominate anyone for the prestigious position of Bridge trustee, contact us at the Bridge Office, 58a Westgate, for a nomination form before the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Gazette "Wish" tokens:** The Gazette are repeating the special offer this year to help local charitable groups - apparently with a larger sum available – and the Bridge has been registered again for this scheme. So if you already get the Gazette, please save your tokens for us. Tokens have been issued by the gazette from 1<sup>st</sup>, October. The collection point for the tokens is in the Methodist Church entrance hall.

**Bridge Recycling Collection:** As mentioned, in Pews News, last year the Bridge has a re-cycling collection for old mobile phones and printer cartridges, for fund raising. (Not toner cartridges or manufactured Epsoms) If you are able to supply any such old items please take them to the Methodist Church between 10 – 12 noon, Monday to Friday, the Bridge Office, 58a, Westgate (next to URC), or phone Jenny Tyrie, the Bridge Administrator, on 07807 327963.

**Shona's Sponsored Slim:** This effort is to raise funds for the Bridge Association. The sponsor form is on the notice board

**LATE NOTICES: Your notes** (Only late notices - for events in the following week - and urgent matters will be announced)

**Coffee after the service in the hall.** Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup>, October at 9.30am; Dorothy Harris. Any news to Ray T on 01287 637318 or email: [raytunncliffe@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:raytunncliffe@yahoo.co.uk) by Thursdays. East Cleveland website at: [www.eastclevelandurc.org.uk](http://www.eastclevelandurc.org.uk)