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Guisborough United Reformed Church

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Ministers: Rev Catey Morrison Rev Margaret Robb

Sunday, 15th, March, 2009 at 9.30am.

Lent 3.

Worship is led this morning by the Rev. Ken Harris.

Today, Sunday, 15th, March: Guiz Kids at 10.00am in the Prior Pursglove Sports Centre. No Junior Church.

Northern Synod's Prayer Cycle for 2009. Each day we are asked to pray for specific people, activities and fellowships within the Northern Province. *Thought for the month: There are many people who think that Sunday is a sponge to wipe out all the sins of the week. Henry Ward Beecher. Today we pray for the fellowships of: Christ Church North Broomhill LEP; Rev'd John Pugh; St. Mark's Newbiggin; Rev'd Carla Hall.*

Today, Sunday: Gift Day is today, Sunday, 15th, March. Envelopes for gifts can be found in the pews.

Vision 4Life – Bible Year: Our journey through the Bible Year began on the first Sunday of this month with us looking at Mark's Gospel. During the course of the month members are asked to read the book in full and then we will spend time, during the service of **Sunday, 29th, March** with Meg reflecting on what we have read – and working on the process of unpacking the meaning for ourselves, in our lives in the 21st, century.

Gift to the Church from Bob McDonald: The church has received a donation of £500 from Bob McDonald's daughter, Jean. The letter accompanying this most generous gift, as read out last Sunday, is as follows, viz: *"My late father, Bob McDonald, asked that a donation be made to the church. Therefore I enclose a cheque for £500 to be used as the Elders of the church think appropriate.*

Although I did write to the Rev Catey Morrison following my father's Memorial Service, I would again like to thank you all, on behalf of Bob's family, for such a moving tribute to him.

Yours sincerely, Jean Foden." Catey has sent a letter of thanks, on behalf of us all.

Tuesday: *Lunchtime Discussion Group* - The Discussion Group will be meeting in the home of Dorothy and Ken Harris, 31, Oakley Close at 12.00 noon. This week's topic is the Women of the Bible.

Tuesday - A.G.M. The Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, 17th, March at 7.15pm. All members and friends should now have a copy of the meeting booklet of agenda, minutes, reports and accounts.

Wednesday - Lent Group Discussions: This year's ecumenical discussions are being held on Wednesday evenings at St Nicholas Church from Wednesday, 4th March for five weeks. The discussions will follow the 'York' Course entitled '*These three.....Faith, Hope, Love.*' This *third* week's topic is: '*Faith into Love.*' There is a booklet to accompany the course to guide the discussions and to aid personal study and prayer – cost £3. Copies on the table at the back of the church.

Friday - Communion for St Cuthbert's Day on Friday 20th March at 2.00pm in *St Cuthbert's Centre, Holy Island* - followed by afternoon tea. The President will be the Revd Dr David Peel and the Preacher, the Revd Dr John Campbell, Principle of Northern College.

In and For the World: An introduction to "The Nature and Mission of the Church" Wednesday, 25th, March, 10.00am – 3.30pm at North Road Methodist Church, Durham. *A poster on the notice board gives further details.*

Pastoral Carers Meeting: This will take place on Tuesday, 24th, March at 7.30pm, at 31, Oakley Close, Guisborough.

Synod Website: Some people have been experiencing difficulty accessing the website. This is probably because they are using the old org.uk address, which seems no longer to be forwarding to the correct site. If you use the .org address you should be fine, viz: www.urch-northernsynod.org

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

Sunday, 22nd, March at 9.30am: Dorothy Harris - *Mothering Sunday Coffee after the service in the hall.*

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