

# Guisborough United Reformed Church

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Ministers: Rev Catey Morrison Rev Margaret Robb

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**Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup>, April 2008. Service at 9.30am.  
Easter 5.**

Worship is led this morning by the Rev Meg Robb.

**Today, Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup>, April: Guiz Kids at 10.00am in the Prior Pursglove Sports Centre. No Junior Church.**

**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: "If God can work through me, he can work through anyone."* St Francis of Assisi

*Today we pray for the fellowships of: Ponteland; Stamfordham Local Ecumenical Project; St John's Wideopen.*

**Today – Sunday: Water -Aid Jars:** Please give the money from the Water-Aid Jars to Barbara today. Thank you.

**Tuesday: Bible Study Group** The meeting will be held at noon – but this needs to be confirmed. Please see Maureen, Ernest, Donna or Dorothy Harris for up to dated information.

**Wednesday: 'Just 10' with the evangelical speaker - J. John.** A series of ten talks based on the Ten Commandments will be held in **Preston Park, Stockton**, on Wednesdays beginning the 23<sup>rd</sup>, April and going on until the 24<sup>th</sup>, June – and all starting at 7.30pm. Subjects such as: 1. Find commitment; 2. Hold to the truth; 3. Prosper with a clear conscience; and others ..... will be presented in an imaginative and challenging way. A poster on the church notice boards gives further details.

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

**Saturday: Reaching out to your Community - a Grindon Church Related Community Work Project:** The Grindon United Reformed Church, in Sunderland, have been developing a community work for some years and on Saturday are holding an Open Day so that people from throughout the region can have the opportunity to see and experience this form of local mission. The event was advertised, in Pews News, earlier in the year but now is the time to consider a visit to see this exciting initiative of outreach in action.

The event runs from 10.00am to 4.00pm with workshop sessions on ideas and issues such as: *Using the gifts you have; Dream dreams and learn how to make them real; Using film to connect people with faith; Learning about your community and its needs – and working with the media.* Lunch is provided free of charge. ***If you are able to attend contact Catey on 01642 471778 or email: morrisonfamily@talktalk.net***

**The Bridge Association - A Million Hours of Kindness:** This event takes place from Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup>, May until Monday, 5<sup>th</sup>, May with a special emphasis on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, May - which is ***Servant Saturday***. Throughout the country Christians will be doing various small acts of kindness in the community as part of the ***Hope 08*** campaign. This aims to demonstrate, in a simple practical way, the caring side of faith in Jesus Christ to the public in general. Guisborough's contribution, as part of the national effort, is to do 300 hours. If you'd like to join us in showing God's love to our community on weekend after next - do let us know. And if you know of any jobs that need doing - e.g. an elderly neighbour struggles with his/her garden; house-cleaning etc, please fill in the attached slip (*on the Hope 08 News Letter Sheet*) and get it back to us at the Bridge office next to the United Reformed Church - or hand it into Good Neighbours at the Methodist Church. ***As an alternative contact please phone Jenny, the Bridge Administrator, on 07807 327963 or Shona, the Bridge Development Worker, on 07890 228851.***

**Explorations Course – Postponed:** It was intended that a 'Spiritual Explorations' course would be led by Rev David Peel at Queens Park Stockton from Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup>, May for a period of five weeks. ***This has been postponed*** until the autumn because the dates clash with the *Just 10* campaign being held at Preston Park.

**Duty Rota: May – August:** The new rota for elders' duties is now posted on the notice board. Please check the list for any dates when you may be unavailable and if possible make an exchange with another person or inform Ray. Thank you.

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

**Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup>, April at 9.30am:** Rev. Dorothy Harris - *Ray T Sec.*

**Coffee after the service in the hall.**

*Any news to Ray T on 01287 637318 or email: [raytunncliffe@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:raytunncliffe@yahoo.co.uk) by Thursdays.*