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Guisborough United Reformed Church

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Ministers: Rev Catey Morrison Rev Margaret Robb

Sunday, 24th, May 2009 is at 9.30am.

Easter 7.

Worship is led this morning by Catey Morrison

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: 'I suppose that every age has its own particular fantasy: ours is science. A seventeenth-century man like Blaise Pascal, who thought himself a mathematician and scientist of genius, found it quite ridiculous that anyone should suppose that rational processes could lead to any ultimate conclusions about life, but easily accepted the authority of the Scriptures. With us, it is the other way around ... Malcolm Muggeridge, Jesus Rediscovered. Today we pray for the fellowships of: **St John the Evangelist LEP, Kingston Park; Rev Roger mills; The Roman Catholic Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle.***

Today – Sunday: Vision 4Life Bible Year – May Book Club: As Meg says: *"This month we have been looking at one of the Minor Prophets since Joel is our book for this month. As with many of the prophets Joel's message was one of seeking God's ways of living this earthly life but he pointed, too, to the day when God would pour out his Spirit on all people...."* Today we unpack his message.

Change of Date – Please note that *Discovering Guisborough:* scheduled for Sunday, 24th, May has now had to be changed to **Sunday, 31st, May.** This event will be walk around the town - when we can learn about the detailed history and interesting, and little known features of the borough. **Leader: Roger Darnton.** We meet with Roger for coffee, after the service, followed by the guided walk starting at around 11.00am. The walk will take about an hour - plus. (*Weather permitting*)

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.

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

Sponsored Bike Ride – Marske to Clitheroe 16/17th, June: The Rev Norma Johnson, our minister 1994 – 2005, is about to embark on a sponsored bike ride in support a building fund for her former church in Clitheroe and wishes to ask for your support. Norma explains the background to this

project, viz: *Two years ago the church membership embarked on a Vision project to renew the building and its links with the wider community. The church has work closely with a consultant in the regeneration of buildings prior to appointing an Architect.*

*The church was built in 1862 and the re-roofing of the building (at a cost of £120,000) is the first phase in order for the wider vision to evolve. Many people have worked very hard to raise the money. The fund currently stands at £92,000 and folk are making an all out effort to ensure that roof work is carried out this summer. Hence the reason for my making the appeal as wide as possible and for a non cyclist the challenge! (ever the optimist) **The sponsor form is posed on the notice board.***

St Cuthbert's Way Pilgrimage 20 to 25 July 2009: The pilgrimage is 62 miles of spiritual and physical exercise with travelling companions along The Way from across the Synod. Walk all the way or any part of it. Itinerary and booking form can be found on the table at the back of the church. Contact Dave Herbert for further information 01266 219584 or daveherbert@btinternet.com *Poster on notice board.*

May/ June - Around the Synod: Now available on the table at the back of **Commitment for Life:** The May edition of *Moving Stories113* gives the latest information about some current events in Palestine. Copies are on the table at the back of the church.

Vision4Life workshop – a Synod Event: This will be held at St James's, Newcastle on **Saturday June 6th at 2.00 pm** – and specifically there is an invitation to each congregation to send a representative who ready to share their church's Vision4Life experiences. Have you been frustrated at the materials made available? Has it been hard work to get your congregation enthused? Or have you got some good stories to share with others? Either way, come along, and be ready to share and to learn. ***Do we have a volunteer to attend this important event in the Vision 4Life process? Please see Ray***

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

Sunday, 31st, May at 9.30am: Rev. Meg Robb - *Ray T Sec.*

Coffee after the service in the hall.

Any news to Ray T on 01287 637318 or email: raytunncliffe@yahoo.co.uk by Thursdays.

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