

# Heddon on the Wall Methodist Church



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## May Services

6 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Rev T Wooley. A.A.
13 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Rev P Brooks
20 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am 6.00pm	Mrs B Lanyon. Rev T Thorpe. A.W.
27 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Rev D Aldridge.

## June

3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30am	A.A.
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# Different Wiring

In one of the ceilings in a manse we lived in the ceiling was replaced and it came as a bit of a surprise to us. Underneath the ceiling was a real hotch-potch of wiring and plumbing that quite frankly wouldn't meet today's standards for safety and compliance. My electrical knowledge extends as far as putting a battery in a torch but even I could see that some of the wiring was dodgy. However it was soon all sorted when the "Sparkies" turned up and put everything in order.

All this set me thinking as to how we are all wired up differently in ways that sometimes seem like a problem or a mystery to other people. I know that I must be a real headache to the great folks who try to link what I am doing in a service when I go "off piste" and deviate from what I have previously given them. I thank God for their graciousness. Some of us are "process wired." In other words we like things that are orderly and follow the agreed system. Then there are people like me who are wired to be more spontaneous and simply at times cannot help but go in another direction. I guess some people would call it "going with the Spirit" but I think that might be only half the story!

Either way we need to accept that we had no say in how the wires were connected up when we were being put together in our mother's womb and that we are all "fearfully and wonderfully made." It's the differences that makes us a team, a church and ultimately so rich and diverse for it.

We need to continually embrace and seek to understand the differences and thank God that he didn't make us robots but individuals who bear his image. Let us celebrate the richness of people whose wiring is different to ours; let us praise God for His creativity we see in each other and ourselves. The wiring was all hunky dory thanks to the work the craftsman had done. In the same way when we let the King place his hand upon our lives he will refine and adjust things here and there. It sounds like Pentecost to me.

So let's rejoice in the diversity we see in each other and ourselves and remember that we are a gift to each other and to the world.

Love in Christ

Rev Tim T.

## Heddon Events in May

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Heddon. 10.00 a.m. Men's Coffee Fellowship. Speaker: Rev. Jona.

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Heddon. 1.30 - 3.00 p.m. Craft and Chat.

Sun 20<sup>th</sup> Heddon 6.00 p.m. 'The Living Room'. Alternative Worship with Rev T. Thorpe. (exploring the Christian faith in a more relaxed way)

The Garden Room.

Thursday mornings from 10 – 11.30 am. Open for anyone to come along for a cuppa, a confidential listening ear or some quiet time in the church.

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We have been able to send £630 to WATER AID – so a very big “THANK YOU” for supporting this charity.

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Young boy on his computer doing his homework. Says to his father, “I’d ask you for help Dad, but you went to school B.C. - Before Computers”.

## Latest letter from Chaltu (our sponsored child)

Dear Heddon Methodist Church,

Greetings to you in the Lords love. How are you all? My family and I are very well.

I have received Christmas good wish letter you sent.

I have had a very good holiday with my friends in the church.

I thank you for the letter.

I thank you for the birthday gift you sent amount of birr\* 703 and I have bought two shoes.

I am learning my education.

Please pray for me.

I will wait for your letter.

Love Chaltu

\*birr is the basic monetary unit of Ethiopia.



## A Prayer for our Sponsored Child.

Pray our sponsored child would thrive as they're given access to education.

Pray for our sponsored child's hopes and dreams as they grow up.

Pray our sponsored child would know they are loved.

Whether they go mid-week or on a Saturday, pray our sponsored child enjoys the safety and security of their project.



Compassion UK is a Christian charity passionate about empowering all children to overcome the obstacles poverty puts in their way. We focus on one child at a time, linking them with one sponsor who releases them from poverty.

# NEWCASTLE WEST END FOODBANK *NEEDS YOUR* **HELP!**

Every week Newcastle West End Foodbank gives out Around 1,000 food parcels to local families, couples and single people who are struggling to make ends meet.

Most people we help have lived in the inner-city wards of Newcastle all their life. They have problems with finding jobs, delayed benefits and paying their bills. We need your support to stop people going hungry. Some parents have to skip meals to feed their children and have to choose between heating their homes or eating.

We desperately need funds to keep our operation going. Even a small donation will help us to stop people going hungry.

*Please give what you can, a box for donations on the table in Church Entrance.*

"People are often unreasonable and self-centred.  
Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of ulterior motives.  
Be kind anyway.

If you are honest, people may cheat you.  
Be honest anyway.

If you find happiness, people may be jealous.  
Be happy anyway.

The good you do today may be forgotten tomorrow.  
Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have and it may never be enough.  
Give your best anyway.

For you see, in the end, it is between you and God.  
It was never between you and them anyway."

- Mother Teresa

## CIRCUIT NOTICES FOR MAY 2018

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Denton Burn. 7.30 p.m.' Action for Children' Night.

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Lemington. 9.00 - 11.00 a.m. Clothes Bar.

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Westerhope. 10.00 – 11.30 a.m. Coffee Morning.

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Lemington. 9.00 - 11.00 a.m. Clothes Bar.

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Ponteland. 2.30 p.m. Women's Fellowship. Rev Juliet Wriglesworth.

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Westerhope. 7.30 p.m. Weekday Praise. Speaker: Mrs. Barbara Lanyon.

Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Denton Burn. 10.00 a.m. Beans and Banter Coffee Morning.

Thur 10<sup>th</sup> Ponteland. 7.30 p.m. Women's Focus - AGM and Faith Supper.

Thur 10<sup>th</sup> Ponteland. 7.30 p.m. Men's Forum. Talk by John Turner.

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Blucher. 2.00 p.m. Rainbow Fayre with stalls and Afternoon Tea.

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Denton Burn. 10.00 a.m. Coffee Morning for Garden Funds.

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Lemington. 10.00 - 12.00 noon. Craft & Chat.

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Ponteland. 9.30 a.m. Meanders - The Weardale Way.

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Ponteland. 2.00 p.m. Open Door - Tea, Coffee, Cakes, scones.

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Lemington. 9.00 - 11.00 a.m. Clothes Bar.

Thur 17<sup>th</sup> Lemington. 1.15 - 2.15 p.m. Open Doors - praying for the persecuted Church.

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Stamfordham. 12.00 – 1.00 p.m. Soup & Pud lunch..

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Blucher. 3.00 – 5.00 p.m. Messy Church.

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Ponteland. 2.00 p.m. Open Door - Tea, Coffee, Cakes, scones

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Lemington. 9.00 - 11.00 a.m. Clothes Bar.

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Ponteland. 2.30 p.m. Women's Fellowship AGM.

Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Lemington. 10-00 - 11.30 a.m. Coffee morning, cakes and cards etc.

## Heddon Church Activities

Tues monthly	1.30pm	Craft & Chat Group
Every Thur	10.00am	The Garden Room
	2.00pm	Prayer Meeting.
Alt. Thur	7.30pm	Bible Study.
1 <sup>st</sup> Sat Mth	10.00am	Men's Coffee Fellowship.

## Duty Rotas

May

Date	Door am	Flowers	Cleaning
6 <sup>th</sup>	L Woodward	J Stewart	M Weatherall
13 <sup>th</sup>	W Chinery	Y Hart	
20 <sup>th</sup>	K Dack	I Watkins	
27 <sup>th</sup>	D Hodgson	K Thorpe	
June			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	G Pyle	S Monaghan	M Tulip

## Vestry Duty.

May

	6 <sup>th</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>	20 <sup>th</sup>	27 <sup>th</sup>
am	B Philipson	W Chinery	S Perry	M Tulip

June 3<sup>rd</sup>  
B Philipson

*If you are unable to fulfil your duties please find a substitute*