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What a busy few months it has been!

By now, most of you will have heard that Pocklington has had major issues with its roof. The cost of re-roofing the church was going to cost at least £100,000 and quite potentially a lot more, depending on what they found when they took the tiles off! This prompted a discussion as to whether the building was fit for their purpose, and just recently, the decision was made to move out of the building.

This has been an extremely brave decision. For some, it means leaving a building they've worshipped in for quite some time, however, the general feeling is now excitement. What might releasing themselves from the building mean they can do now?? Watch this space!

The worshipping community at Pocklington will continue to meet together in the Scout Hall, on Burnby Lane. They will begin meeting there with effect from 13 April 2025. So please pray for them, as they begin the process of letting their building go.

I appreciate losing a building is difficult, however, we need to remember that it is the people who are 'church', and we can still gather to worship in a rented space. We may still have decisions to make about other buildings too, as we continue to overspend by approximately £20,000 per year which we can only do for another couple of years before we run out of money.

To that end, over the next few months, I will be encouraging each congregation to look at how they might engage with their communities in new ways, in the hope that we may develop relationships with others who might then feel they'd like to join us for worship. What is clear, is that we cannot afford to keep all our buildings as they are now.

So, as we approach Jerusalem, where we remember how our Lord was sacrificed for us, may we be sustained by the Holy Spirit over what is left of the Lenten season and look forward to celebrating the Risen Christ.

Yours, in Christ

Revd Ann

World Trip Part 3

Bangkok to Abu Dhabi
April 5th at 2pm St. John's Wesley Centre
Tea & Cake in the interval



Easter Meditation
Weighton Waytes
Good Friday 10.30am
St. John's

Regular Events Around WEMC Family and Children's Events

Awesome club April 28th for children aged 5 to 11years 3pm-4.30pm Melbourne
Chat & Play Spaces available
Tuesday April 1st, 29th
from birth to 4years and carers
9.45am-11.15am Melbourne

Social Events

Chatty Crafters Monday April 7th
10am-12noon Melbourne
Art & Craft Group Monday April 14th, 28th
10am to 12noon Bolton
Warm Welcome every Wednesday (not 16th)
11am-1pm soup & cake served from
12noon (Easter Party 23rd)
Well mannered dogs welcome Melbourne
Quiz Afternoon Wednesday April 30th 2pm
Tea & Cakes

Donations for MND and church funds

St. John's-held in Council Offices

Singing Round the Piano Fridays, 2pm

April 4th, 11th, 18th. Followed by Faith Tea

Pocklington

Pock Praise Friday April 25th 7.30pm followed by faith supper **Pocklington** Heritage Café Every Saturday 10am to 11.30am **Newton on Derwent**





HOUSE GROUPS Wednesday 2pm Tony & Paulina's home Thursday 10am Janet Willson's group April 3rd at 7, Orchard Park Melbourne.

Stay up to date on Facebook – Wolds Edge Methodist or on line at www.woldsedgemethodist.com

Faith on Tap

Join us in the Half Moon Inn, MW at 8pm on Monday April 21st for conversation about faith, life and whatever else comes up! For more information contact Amy communities.wemc@gmail.com



Date for your diary

Thursday, 8th May, Afternoon Tea 2pmto 4pm to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of VE Day at Melbourne



HAPPY EASTER



WANTED Mission Area Safeguarding Officer
Overall purpose is to promote safeguarding within
Wolds Edge Mission Area and be a point of contact
between the District Safeguarding Officer and churches.
For more information contact Susan Hodgson
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A Prayer of Compassion
Lord of the Universe
look in love upon your people.
Pour the healing oil of your compassion
on a world that is wounded and dying.
Send us out in search of the lost,
to comfort the afflicted,
to bind up the broken,
and to free those trapped
under the rubble of their fallen dreams.

Details of services at each location can be found on the preaching plan.

Please send your items to be included in the May edition of CONNECTED to methnews@gmail.com by Wednesday, April 23rd