

The Messenger



Winter 2013

**Christ Church, Longridge “Living for Christ
at the heart of the community”
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From The Manse

One of the peculiarities of ordained ministry is the notion that a minister is parachuted into a church and hits the ground running. That running takes on a momentum of its own and before we know it, the minister has been in post for a couple of months and few people seem to know much about him or his family. So in this issue I'm going to tell you something about myself.

I live in the manse in Cottam which is on the outskirts of Preston, some 30 minutes' drive from Longridge. I am married to my wife Chrissy and we have just celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary. We have two children; Jonny who is 20 years old and Sarah who is 18. Both our children live at home with us and both are a delight to be and live with - most of the time!! We also have a dog called Rossi, named after the 9 times world motorcycle racing champion Valentino Rossi whom the whole family follows.

I was born on the Mediterranean island of Malta and raised there until the age of nearly 10. In 1968 my parents and 3 other siblings upped sticks and emigrated to England. After a few months in London living with my uncle John we moved to our new home in Leyland. I am proud of my country of birth and still have a Maltese passport to this day. When I lived in Malta everyone was a Roman Catholic and I was educated and inculcated into the Christian faith by faithful and lovely priests and nuns. In my mid-twenties I switched to the Church of England and in my early 40s I switched to Methodism. I'll explain why when we have more time!!

I heard the call to ministry in February 2005 and I was ordained on the 7th July this year. I feel strongly called to the ministry of word and sacrament. I have been described as an evangelical sacramentalist and I am very happy with that label. In my mind there

is no dichotomy between being evangelical and having a high view of the sacraments. With my Roman Catholic roots that should come as no surprise! I have a heart for the gospel and I want to see people freed from tyranny (whatever form that may take) by the good news of Jesus Christ embodying the love of God.

When I'm not working I like to travel with my wife in our lovely motorhome which is a remnant from my previous business interests. I love photography, especially of wildlife, flora and fauna. I also like to photograph architecture, especially cathedrals and old churches. Photography slows me down, lets me freewheel and the subjects enthral me and show me the existence of God in the ordinary and extraordinary. I use some of my photographs in worship.

Ray

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A suggestion from Megan:

We could all buy a packet of Poppy seeds and spread them in gardens and roadsides to commemorate the 100th anniversary next year of the 1st World War. (We don't know if there are any legal constraints but we'll certainly try to take this up in the Church garden.)

Walk For August - Turton And Entwistle

This month we were in the reliable hands of the Bolton group and their choice of walk was another expedition into the Lancashire Lake District. The day turned out to be warm but dull and we had an excellent turnout of eleven hardy souls.

The well thought out walk consisted of a figure of eight, embracing the Turton and Entwistle Reservoir in the morning and Wayoh Reservoir after lunch. We started from the United Utilities car park and as we returned here half way for lunch, we were spared the effort of carrying our food around with us.

The first part of the walk was along the southern bank of the Turton & Entwistle Reservoir; enjoying pleasant walking conditions and passing many dog walkers, with three dogs being the norm. We now left the water behind us and started a long, fairly steep climb northwards from where we enjoyed splendid views in all directions. Now it was steadily down hill to the railway station and the quite remote and charismatic pub, The Strawberry Duck and on to the car park for lunch.

After lunch, we started part two of the walk, leaving the car park, heading back to the pub and turning south towards Wayoh Reservoir, following one of the many excellent paths to be found in this area. At the southern end of the water, we turned to cross a large dam and then joined the Witton Weavers Way that led us up the eastern shore and it was along this stretch, with the village of Edgworth above us that we encountered a “Batch of 78”, a large walking group that had come by coach from Formby. We informed them that we had been in their territory during the winter when we had walked down the coast to see the Gormely Men.

After walking along much of the reservoir, we crossed by means of another dam and worked our way back to the pub where we said goodbye to the Bolton group and made our way back to the start.

Again, many thanks to Bill for designing this interesting walk. After the physical challenge of Parlick last month, the undemanding but enjoyable stroll through this wonderful landscape, but surprisingly close to Bolton, was very much appreciated by all of us.

Linda & Eddie Grange

Walk For September - Ashurst Beacon

The valley of the River Douglas lies between Manchester and Liverpool but the area is surprisingly rural and provides a number of good walks, of which this is probably the best.

Our starting point was the car park provided for visitors to the beacon and was the highest point of the walk. From here we headed east, along quiet lanes until we turned off through the grounds of the local cricket club and followed a good, steadily descending path which provided splendid views towards the Pennines, with the huge Heinz factory dominating the foreground. This section of the walk was quite pleasant, with fields that used to be part of a golf course, but now overgrown. Finally, we came out on to the main road and passed St. Josephs College, once a seminary for training Catholic priests and later a College of Theology, but now appears to be closed.

We continued our steady downhill plod until we arrived at the most exciting part of the expedition, Dean Wood. From the open field, the track suddenly dropped down to a steep valley containing a dense, very dark forest. At the valley floor, we crossed the stream

over a footbridge and ascended the other bank and back into a field, only to quickly enter the valley again, this time crossing the stream over stepping stones and finally back again over another footbridge. After all this excitement, we followed an easy path to Gathurst, where we joined the canal. This was our lunch stop, but with limited seating, the Bolton group stopped here, but the Longridge contingent carried on to another seat by a lock. This segregation was nothing to do with snobbery! An interesting feature of Gathurst is the seventy feet viaduct of the M6 which crosses the railway, which in turn passes over the canal. Three centuries of communication all meeting at one point.

Whilst we were having lunch, a narrow boat arrived, so some of our party assisted in operating the lock gates. The lady driver impressed us with her skill in navigating this long craft into the lock with only one gate open.

Lunch over, it was now along a beautiful section of the Leeds & Liverpool Canal to Appley Bridge, where we left the canal and followed the River Douglas through a large corn field, at the end of which we turned south along a pair of green lanes, a little muddy in places, followed by a very steep road, which caused much overheating and stripping off. Then it was back into the fields and a final stagger up to the Beacon, with its fabulous views in all directions. After the much needed rest, we descended down to the car park, with a little litter picking on the way.

This walk turned out to be a rather long nine miles and gave us a lot of variety. Good weather conditions prevailed and we all agreed that we must do more walking in this valley in future.

Linda & Eddie Grange

Music in the Afternoon

Christ Church, Longridge, was once again the place to be if you wanted to hear quality music performed by talented young people. This was the sixth concert in a series which has brought young singers and instrumentalists to perform both serious and popular music.

On this occasion the programme featured, as its main performer, Louisa Stirland - a young soprano fast making a name for herself both here in Lancashire and further afield. In October 2012 Louise won the prestigious title of 'BBC Radio 2 Young Chorister of the Year,' since which she has featured in concerts and events in different parts of the country as well as in numerous broadcasts. Louisa is a student at Runshaw College and a chorister at Blackburn Cathedral.

Louisa presented an ambitious and varied programme of vocal music. Solos by Bach and Handel and songs from the 'romantic' period of Schubert, Franck and Faure were performed with fine attention to detail and with good stage presence. Intonation was secure throughout and there were some lovely high notes. Songs from 'West Side Story' and 'My Fair Lady.' took her out of her serious zone and perhaps called for a more relaxed approach.

This is a young voice and we watch and listen with interest as it matures over the next few years.

Also featured in the concert were two young instrumentalists - well-known to the congregation and audience at Christ Church. Daniel Dwyer on flute and Jason McMahon on clarinet combined in works by Corelli and Kumar with excellent musicianship and style. They also contributed sympathetically in their accompanying of some of Louisa's songs.

Carol Rose is perhaps best-known as a piano-accompanist - a role not always appreciated by the listener as we concentrate on the solo

performer, but it was both refreshing and enlightening to hear Carol as a solo performer. Her playing of movements from Schumann's 'Kinderscenen' were delightful - capturing the simplicity of childhood. She also played a new composition for piano by Jason called 'Child's Play' (it was anything but!) which created interest and curiosity from the appreciative audience.

Carol has again produced a concert which has given a platform to young musicians and in so doing provided a wonderful afternoon of musical delight.

Geoff Balson

THANK YOU

May I take this opportunity to thank the Church Family for all the support I have received during the past six months since being diagnosed with cancer. It has been a difficult time, through Chemotherapy, Feeding Systems and eventually the Operation at the end of September, but during all these experiences I have been conscious that many people in the Church have been praying for me. I have been reminded of this through the many cards I received, the beautiful flowers and plants which were delivered, visits made both at home and in hospital, the baking so lovingly done, and the offers of help which I know were sincere. Prayer through Faith is the one certainty we have as Christians at the lowest points in our earthly lives, and I am very grateful to all those who have supported me in this way, as I faced probably one of the greatest challenges of my life.

To know that we are in the hands of Almighty God, the Creator and Saviour of us all, brings us the peace and comfort that we need in such times.

Thanks again, Mel

What we've been up to

As ever the first three months of this church year have been hectic and we are now approaching the even busier period of Advent and Christmas. It is tempting just to rush onwards but perhaps we should just pause long enough to remember what we have been up to with God's help. Elsewhere there is a report on the wonderful Music in the Afternoon for Harvest which was enhanced by the creative window decorations based on the hymn 'Beauty for Brokenness'. Our thanks go to all who contributed.

We also celebrated harvest by participating in the CTL Harvest Supper at the Civic Hall and enjoyed a wide range of songs led by Katy Bradley and a 'surprise' appearance of Elvis aka Father David Chinnery of St Wilfrid's.

We also managed to enter two teams in Fulwood URC's Christian Aid Quiz. This was a most enjoyable evening which raised over £200. Many thanks to Fulwood for their hospitality and a really good quiz.

In early October we had a flying visit from the Right Rev Arnold Temple, the President of the Methodist Church in Sierra Leone, who personally thanked the Craft Club for all their contributions to the work in Kailahun and Segbwema.

On November 2nd, we had our Craft Club Fair for the third time. We had more outside stalls this year and a special addition was Doreen Saul in full Pudsey costume raising money for Children in Need. We didn't seem to have large numbers of visitors but most stallholders seemed happy with their day and there was certainly a wide range of talent on show.

During the Autumn we have been involved in three Coffee Days at the Civic Hall. Each of these have raised in the region of £300 for the church and charities. Our special appreciation goes to Pam and her team. These are major undertakings and are made much easier if Pam has plenty of help so if you can give some time in the future, it will be much appreciated.

Pam has also been much involved in getting the Shoeboxes prepared for this year's Samaritan's Purse appeal which culminated in a box filling day on November 1st and a dedication service on November 3rd where Ray showed us a very moving video about the difference the Shoeboxes have made in the life of Alex, a young Rwanda man. We have not managed to make quite as many shoeboxes as we did last year which was a really bumper year. We are very grateful for all that people have contributed but comments made by one or two people seem to suggest some misunderstanding of how we go about the Shoeboxes. We'll try to repeat this information next year but if we put it in now, it might help those who want to make an early start.

HOW TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE SHOEBOX APPEAL

One way of contributing is to get a medium sized shoebox (not a boot box) and cover it with Christmas wrapping paper and then fill it with small items of clothing and/or toiletries and/or toys suitable for either 2-4 year old boys; 5 – 9 year old boys or 10 – 14 year old boys or girls in the same age groups. You may then add a greetings card and a donation to cover the cost of transporting the parcel to its destination and then bring it to Christ Church which acts as a collection point.

However you may want to contribute but be unable to manage all this on your own so we also act as an assembly point. We are happy to receive empty shoeboxes or shoeboxes which you have been able to cover in wrapping paper and all kinds of suitable items to place in

them. This year we received many hats, scarves and gloves; pens, pencils, crayons and other stationery items; soap and face flannels; toothpaste and toothbrushes; soft toys (but not home-made stuffed toys so knitted finger puppets will be gratefully received but we cannot send stuffed toys that don't have CE official labels); other small toys; hairslides; ties; sweets and many more. We cannot send toys which have a warlike connotation like toy guns; mirrors or anything made of glass; liquids or chocolate. If you want to give one toy or many crayons etc. all are acceptable and we will sort them out and make sure that boxes are filled to meet the requirements of different age groups. You may not be able to contribute in this way but would like to give a financial gift of any amount or alternatively you may be able to give some small items but feel that you cannot manage a cash donation. This is fine by us. We will match all the gifts whether of cash or in kind to make complete boxes. If we do not receive enough cash to cover every box, the church makes it up to the required amount. So please don't feel put off for next time. ALL contributions are welcome and we each can do something.

Forget Me Not

This is the title of an amazing production staged by the Longridge Schools Cluster at the Preston Guild Hall on November 11th. The presentation was written and produced by Simon Wallis, the headteacher of Barnacre Road Primary School with whom we have a partnership through our 'Connexion Zone' services. The other schools taking part were Alston Lane Primary; St Wilfrid's RC; Longridge High School; St Cecilia's RC High School; Hillside School; Grimsargh St Michael's; Brabins Primary, Chipping; Chipping St Mary's Primary School; Ribchester St Wilfrid's Primary School and Whitechapel Primary School. It was amazing to see hundreds of our local children and dozens of teachers and support staff

playing their part and filling the huge floor space and stage of the Guild Hall.

The show involved symbolic scenes representing various aspects of World War Two such as 'The Conquest of Europe'; 'The Battle of Britain'; 'The Blitz'; 'Evacuation'; 'The Dambusters'; 'D-Day'; 'VE-Day' and many more, linked together by a narration read by some of the Senior School children. The presentation was accompanied by the showing of genuine film footage with dramatic sound tracks together with a clip from 'Dad' s Army . There were also live music presentations and the whole event ended with an act of remembrance involving five British Legion Standard Bearers and three cadets from the three services and the last post played by Simon Wallis. If anyone has any doubts about the quality of children today, they should have been there as several hundred , mainly under 11s kept a perfect 2 minute silence.

One lasting picture for me was of all the cast jitterbugging together including staff dressed in forties fashions or uniforms ---- I recognised four headteachers joining in and dancing with gusto. If you missed it, you really missed a treat. There is to be a DVD available at a cost of £5 including delivery. These can be purchased from the website: www.forgetmenot2013.co.uk or by sending a cheque made payable to 'Longridge Cluster of Schools' to 48 Windsor Road, Southport PR9 9DB or if you want further details, please see Howard Roscoe.

Carol Spencer

Ladies' Guild

In September 1964 a group of Ladies formed The Longridge Congregational Church Young Wives Guild, now known as the Ladies Guild. Next year we plan to celebrate the 50th anniversary. Though the number of members has gone from 50 in the past to about 20 at the moment, we still meet twice each month. Our speakers secretary, Betty, still finds interesting speakers from the local community for each meeting. Wishing you all a happy Christmas.

Olive

**Excerpts from
'The Patient's Incomplete Guide to Medical Terminology'
submitted by Mel**

A	Attack:	Sharp object used to hang a poster
B	Benign:	What you are after you be eight
D	Denial:	Cleopatra's local river
	Dilate:	To live long
E	Elixir:	What your dog does to your sister
F	Fibula:	A really small lie
H	Head Lice:	Required for driving at night
K	Kidney:	Located between the kid thigh and the kid shin
L	Liver:	One who survives an illness or operation
N	Nitrate:	Room cost between 6pm and 6am
O	Outpatient:	What the hospital administrator says as you're kicked out the door
P	Post Surgery Discomfort:	Waking up and finding stitches in unexpected places
X	X-ray:	Possibly your only chance to be seen on film
Z	Zzzzzzz:	What you should get plenty of so you can get better!!

We acknowledge John Sands greeting cards from which these pearls of wisdom have been gleaned and dedicate them to all members of our families and especially our church family who have recently undergone surgery especially Geoff Balson, Margery Cook, Janet Edwards, Beryl Murrant and, of course, Mel herself.

Walk For October - Pendle Hill

Some weeks ago, we enjoyed a pleasant, but very hot day out climbing Parlick, during which we discussed the possibilities of an ascent of Pendle later in the year. Bill mentioned that he was going to have a walk in this area soon and kindly offered to lead us on the October walk.

Starting from the delightful village of Barley, set in the most beautiful Lancashire countryside, we left the car park to enter the village, first taking advantage of the public toilets which this little village manages to keep open seven days a week for the benefit of its visitors. From the centre of the village we entered a good footpath, steadily climbing through fields, over streams and heading towards the impressive Pendle House. From here, we started the climb proper to the summit, along an excellent engineered path which was very steep but not too long. By now, we were in dense cloud, so the motivation for climbing up mountains, the view, was lost. During the Parlick walk, we were buzzed by very low flying para-gliders, but the foul conditions here kept the broomsticks firmly on the ground!

Eventually, we arrived at the summit and the trig. point with zero visibility and a howling gale. From here, we needed to take care to find the correct path, defined by a line of cairns that led us down into Ogden Clough, a deep valley with a stream at the bottom which looked very Lakeland. About halfway down we came out of the cloud and enjoyed an easy descent to the Ogden Reservoirs and our very late lunch stop, sitting again on a seat dedicated to a late walking enthusiast.

After lunch, it was an easy stroll back to Barley and the end of the walk.

This year we have conquered two peaks and we wondered if there is a third in Lancashire to make a three peaks challenge to equal the three peaks on the other side of the “Cloth Cap Frontier”? Pendle Hill is a popular climb, not too difficult and noted for the marvellous views in all directions, but sadly not today.

Linda & Eddie Grange

Walk For November Stonyhurst And The Ribble Way

For the walk this month, we decided to explore the countryside at our own back door and venture into the beautiful landscape of the Ribble Valley.

The day didn't start at all well, as we awoke to a black sky, thunder and lightning, torrential rain and hail. However, six hardy souls met at the car park at Hurst Green and headed out on a good path that took us along the pleasant Dean Brook and through Mill Wood to the camping barn at Greengore. Here we left the main path and climbed up through a field to a high point that gave excellent views down to the River Ribble. Now it was all downhill, through a very muddy farmyard and down a paved farm track to the Clitheroe road. After a short stretch of this road, we entered a field of sheep, one of which took fright and firmly buried its head in the wire netting. What followed was like a scene from the Wild West, with one of our party mounting the beast and trying to lever it out with others pulling at its head. If only we had had a camera! Eventually, she was extracted and went to join her chums.

At the bottom of this field, we crossed a footbridge and joined the Ribble Way. This took us steadily down to the river and it was decided that the footbridge at Dinckley would make a good lunch stop. The weather had steadily improved and by now was absolutely beautiful.

On our way again, we had to decide whether to take the path back to the Shireburn Arms or to continue along the river to, in fact, double the length of the walk. The democratic process resulted in a long walk and very enjoyable it was. We walked upstream, passing in turn the confluence of the River Calder and later, followed the River Hodder.

Leaving the river, we next had to cross a soggy field which led us again to the Clitheroe road, followed by a minor lane that eventually took us to Stonyhurst School.

Our route required us to cross the playing fields, but a very muddy game of Rugby was underway, so we had to take a detour to the final leg back to Hurst Green.

In total, this walk was just short of ten miles, but the paths were mostly quite easy. Despite a disappointing start, everything came together to give us an enjoyable day out. We like variety, but we don't always throw in a rodeo!

Linda & Eddie Grange

Friday Coffee Rota

Dec 6 th	Mrs S Lawson	Feb 2 nd	Mrs Warren & Miss Hurlstone
Dec 13 th	Mrs B Warren & Miss O Hurlstone	Feb 9 th	Mrs L Grange
Dec 20 th	Mrs L Grange	Feb 16 th	Mrs S Lawson
Dec 27 th	Mrs M Cook	Feb 23 rd	Rev E Hodgkiss
Jan 5 th	Rev E Hodgkiss	Mar 2 nd	Mrs A Barnes
Jan 12 th	Mrs A Barnes	Mar 9 th	Mrs E Marven
Jan 19 th	Mrs E Marven	Mar 16 th	Mrs M Cook
Jan 26 th	Mrs M Cook	Mar 23 rd	Mrs Warren & Miss Hurlstone
		Mar 30 th	Mrs L Grange

Christmas

Christmas is approaching fast!! At the last Council Meeting, we decided that our theme for Advent and Christmas would be 'Christmas Presents' with, of course, an emphasis on the greatest and best present of all --- God's gift to us of his Son.

As has become our custom, we are inviting local schools and organisations from both church and community to submit exhibits to be used in the decoration of the church. Items should reflect our theme in one of two main ways:--

Decorated Parcels of any size (or shape).

Pictures or models of the possible contents of Christmas Present boxes. We invite you to be creative in terms of what could constitute a suitable present, bearing in mind that not all the best presents are material ----- presents of kindness and service could also be depicted.

Contributions should be placed in church between Sunday December 8th and the evening of **Thursday December 12th** at the latest. The church will be open around service times on the 8th (approx. 10.00am to 12.30pm; 2.30 to 4.00pm and 6.00 to 8.00pm) also between 10.00am and noon on Monday December 9th or by arrangement by phoning John and Carol on 782829.

This is not a competition and no prizes will be awarded, however the church will be open for people to view the exhibits and refreshments will be available. Any donations received from visitors will go to charity. The church has decided to send £500 to the Philippines disaster fund. There will be retiring collections after all our

services to the end of the year. If we receive more than £500 over all the Christmas activities, we will send a further donation for the ongoing work in the New Year.

The church will be open from Friday December 13th and we will be needing help to staff some of the sessions. Details will be placed in the foyer nearer the time.

You are also invited to join us and all the other churches at the Old Station on Saturday December 7th at 11.00am for the Blessing of the Crib. Last year the Crib was vandalised but we have obtained two new figures to replace those which were stolen and smashed. We are trying to arrange for Art work and the DVD from the schools Forget Me Not presentations to be on view in church throughout the weekend of the 7th and 8th of December.

Christmas Cards

Once again we need to remind everyone that we do not have the facilities to deliver Christmas Cards so any cards left at the back of church which are not collected by the intended recipients will simply be disposed of after the New Year.

However we are planning to place a board across the cupboards at the back of church so that we can each send ONE card greeting ALL the members of the congregation by pinning the card to the board (this is instead of a giant card). A donation for the Philippines appeal could be left in lieu of all the postage that we may have saved.

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Our warmest congratulations go to Leanne and Mungo Gilchrist on the blessing of their marriage which took place on November 17th. They were married earlier this year in Edinburgh and it was a delight to see them, Josh and other members of the family who came to celebrate with them.

December - February Services

December 1st

10.45am Sister Janet Edwards

6.30pm Carol Spencer

December 8th

AM Rev Ray Borg Holy Communion

PM Rev Elizabeth Hodgkiss

December 15th

AM Mr Henry Rose

PM Henry and Carol Rose Park House Carol Service

December 22nd

AM Carol Spencer

4.00pm Rev Ray Borg Holy Communion Carol Service

December 25th

11.00 am Carol Spencer

December 29th

10.45am Rev Elizabeth Hodgkiss
(No evening service)

December 31st

11.30pm Rev Ray Borg Watch Night Service

January 5th

10.45am Mrs Carol Rose

6.30pm Sister Janet Edwards

January 12th

10.45am Rev Ron Lewis

6.30pm Rev Elizabeth Hodgkiss Park House

January 19th

10.45am Rev Ray Borg **Covenant Service followed by..**
12.30pm **Christ Church Council Meeting**
6.30pm Miss Gwyneth Jones

January 26th

10.45am Mr Harry Duckett
3.00pm at Central Methodist Church **Circuit Service for
Homelessness Sunday**
6.30pm **CTL Service for Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**
at St Paul's.

February 2nd

10.45am Mrs Zoe Ainsworth
6.30pm Rev Ray Borg

February 9th

10.45am Rev Ron Lewis
6.30pm Carol Spencer **Park House**

February 16th

10.45am Rev Ray Borg **Holy Communion**
6.30pm Mr Harry Duckett

February 23rd

10.45am Mr Steve Gregory
6.30pm Rev Ray Borg **Holy Communion**

There are a number of changes from our usual pattern such as the Park House Carol Service (third not second Sunday); the Christian Unity Service and the days on which we have Communion services so please take especial note of all the dates.

Other Dates for your Diary

Monday December 2nd

Craft Club Christmas lunch at the Corporation Arms

Wednesday December 4th

10.00am Connexion Zone with Barnacre Road School and
2to School. (Helpers from 9.30 am please)

7.30pm Preachers Quarterly Meeting at Ingol

Sunday December 8th

3–4.00pm Christmas Connexion Zone

Monday December 9th

10.00am Last Craft Club of 2013

Tuesday December 17th

7.00pm Pastoral Visitors and Magazine Deliverers Meeting

Monday January 6th

10.00am Craft Club resumes

Friday January 10th

7.45am CTL Friday Prayers Resume

This year they will be held at St Paul's

Sunday January 12th

3–4.00pm Connexion Zone

Wednesday January 22nd

6.00pm Hall Users Meeting

Sunday February 9th

3–4.00pm Connexion Zone

These dates are as accurate as we can make them at time of going to press but inevitably changes take place so please keep a check on the Sunday Notices and the Foyer Notice Boards.

Advance Notice

Mon March 3rd Preachers Quarterly at Trinity, Gregson Lane

Tues March 4th Shrove Tuesday

Wed March 5th ASH WEDNESDAY
Circuit Service: Venue tba

Wed March 7th Womens' World Day of Prayer Service at St Paul's
(A Service prepared by women for everyone to share in --
this year prepared by Christian women of Egypt)

First Lent Lunch at St Paul's

Sat March 8th Inspire 2014 -- an annual day conference for all
Christian leaders

URC NW Synod

Sun March 9th Connexion Zone

The Lent Lunches are as follows:-

March 7th St Paul's

March 14th St Wilfrid's

March 21st Christ Church

March 28th St Paul's

April 4th St Wilfrid's (for Alston Lane)

April 11th Christ Church

GOOD FRIDAY will be on April 18th

Services

Timeline

Activities

SUNDAY

- 9.00am** Prayer Breakfast*
*Normally 1st Sunday of month
- 10.45am** Morning Worship & Junior Church
- 3.00pm** Connexion Zone*
*Normally 2nd Sunday of month
- 6.30pm** Evening Worship*
*2nd Sunday at Park House

MONDAY

- 10.00am** Craft Club
- 7.45pm** Ladies Guild*
*2nd and 4th Monday each month

FRIDAY

- 7.45am** CTL Morning Prayers*
*At Alston Lane in 2013
- 10.00am** Coffee Morning

SATURDAY

- 9.30am** Christ Church Ramblers*
*2nd Saturday each month

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