

Dore Methodist Church



Magazine of The Church on the High Street



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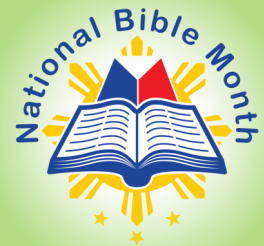
There is always a warm welcome for you in our church.



All the best to David & Roger who once again will be walking to raise funds for Christian Aid. It's not too late to sponsor them!

JUNE is BIBLE MONTH

30 days with Jonah



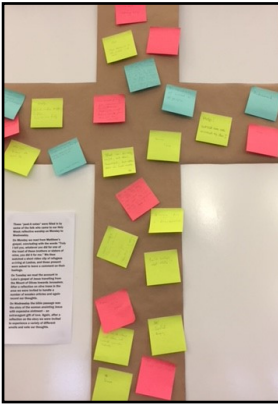
Preachers planned over the four Sundays in June will preach a series of sermons based on the book of Jonah (pages 894-896 in the Good News Bible).

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| June 3 | Jonah | 1: | The God who Pursues
Preacher: Lesley Wallace |
| June 10 | Jonah | 2: | Out of the Depths
Preacher: David Green |
| June 17 | Jonah | 3: | Mission Accomplished?
Preacher: John Wilkins |
| June 24 | Jonah | 4: | A Mixed-Up Missionary
Preacher: The Rev. Tim Crome |

A free Bible Month magazine offers helpful material on Jonah and will be available with this edition of the Church Magazine, together with Question Cards and suggestions for use. After each service there will be time for questions and comments over coffee in the church hall. There will be further opportunity for discussion at house meetings arranged for each Thursday evening in June.



Easter at Dore Methodist



Post-it notes were filled in and attached to a paper cross by some of the folk who came to our Holy Week reflective worship on Monday to Wednesday.

On Monday readings from Matthew's gospel concluded with "Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of

the least of these brothers or sisters of mine, you did it for me." After watching a short video clip of refugees arriving at Lesbos those present in our church were asked to leave a comment on their feelings.

On Tuesday we heard an account in Luke's gospel of Jesus travelling from the Mount of Olives towards Jerusalem. After a reflection on olive trees those present were invited to handle a number of wooden objects and record their thoughts.

On Wednesday the bible passage was the story of the women anointing Jesus with expensive ointment—an extravagant gift of love. Again, after a reflection on the story all were invited to experience a variety of different smells and note our thoughts.

On Easter Day we all prayed:

*God of our salvation,
you have restored us to life,
you have brought us back again into your love, by
the triumphant death and resurrection of Christ:
continue to heal us,
as we go to live and work in the power of your
Spirit,
to your praise and glory.
Amen*

*Thank you to all those who led and participated
in our Holy Week and Easter Day services.*



The Talk, Tune and Toddlers group learnt about the Easter Story from The Rev. David Willie with this miniature garden.



On Easter Day members of the congregation were invited to put a daffodil on our symbolic wooden cross.

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157 this year (or is it 158?)

In 2011 we celebrated the sesquicentenary of Dore Methodist Church, thereby learning a new word (in my case at least) which could come in useful for the more demanding type of quiz. We held lots of events to commemorate our church's 150th.

At that time I had a Nagging Doubt, not a mini-monster but a cat in the bag which I kept quiet about but now feel I should let out.

Were we a year late?

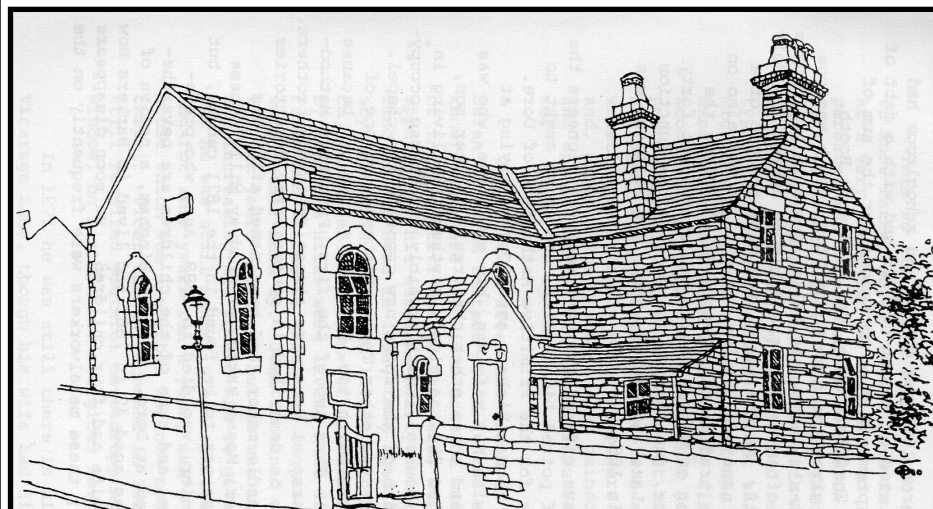
Most of us probably think it doesn't matter much if at all. In the past, though, some people have cited 1860 as our foundation year, and not without good reason. For several local directories say so. Those of the earlier 1860s ignore Dore Primitive Methodist Chapel, but according to the 1868 one it was "built in 1860". Rather soon after the event to get it wrong, you might think.

Why then did I go for 1861? For two reasons: firstly because Joseph Hancock says in his manuscript history of Dore completed in 1896 that "their [the Primitive Methodists'] chapel was erected in 1861". And I thought Dore's Grand Old Man should know, even 35 years on, because he himself had given the building site.

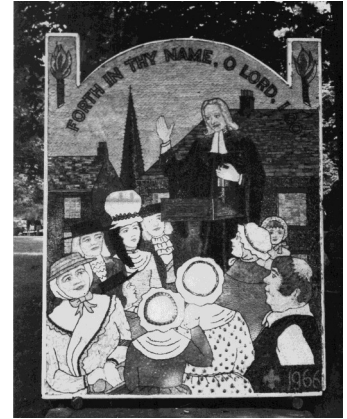
Secondly, the gift was in September 1860, originally in the form of a long lease. A trust was set up in December to oversee the project from then on, and another deed dated 21 March 1861 described the chapel as "recently erected".

So although building might have started late in 1860, they were probably very busy early in 1861 and I suppose the original box-like chapel was opened soon afterwards.

What would clinch it one way or the other would be a press report of the opening. But although I have scrutinised the two Sheffield papers for the period I have drawn a blank.



DMC from the 1895 rebuilding to 1962. The new Sunday School is at the back. [Old photo reworked by Freddy Dunstan]



Dore Well Dressing
1966: Wesley preaching
in Paradise Square

In the 1820s the press often mocked the new movement. Victorian papers may have become too polite to do so but they mainly ignored the "Prims".

We've had the sesquicentenary, now we need a spot of serendipity. Expecting nothing, I must try the Derbyshire press...

John Dunstan



*"Come Holy Spirit,
Help me to wonder to wonder at God's love,
to wait upon God's word and to act with compassion,
that God's Kingdom might be on earth as it is in heaven"*
(from *Nine Days of Prayer*, The Methodist Church, 2018)

Thy Kingdom Come, as you may have heard, is described as "global wave of prayer" to take place between Ascension and Pentecost later this month. The 'wave' is ecumenical, and is about to wash upon our shores (even in land-locked North Derbyshire/South Yorkshire) from 10-20 May 2018. Our Methodist Church is a major partner in this initiative. In fact, you can catch a conversation between The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, and the Secretary of the Methodist Conference, the Revd Canon Gareth J Powell on the *Thy Kingdom Come* web site (<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/>)

When asked by the Archbishop what John Wesley might have meant when he prayed "thy kingdom come," Rev. Powell speaks of the phrase as an invitation 'to participate in God's Kingdom [as] an extraordinary revolution within oneself... and in the world'. To pray that line of The Lord's Prayer is to realise that "you are participating in the reign of God's love, that you are called to bring about transformation and that you do it exactly where you are..."

How might you as an individual, a small group of which you're a member, or even a local arrangement worship experience might invoke the words, use the resources available, and more importantly, enter the wave of prayer? May our prayers for God's reign reach as far as Syria and North Korea, as near as our neighbour's home or our own congregation, and as deep as our own hearts.

Peace, Dave Markay

Our Stewards

Many of you are aware of the work and commitment our stewards put into our church. As we wait for the arrival of our new minister the last few months have been more demanding than most for our stewards for which we are all very grateful.

We want to particularly thank two of our stewards as their terms of office comes to an end. Janet Barraclough, steward for four years and Daphne Willie for two years. They stood down at the end of April. You have shown such support and dedication to all the folk at Dore Methodist, you have both made a difference to the life of our church, thank you.

Peter Beardsell has joined Nigel Thomas and Jackie Bailey to continue this important role in our church. Please remember them in your prayers.

Statement from the London Methodist District Chairs on the recent murders in London

We are deeply saddened by the recent spike in murders within the Greater London area. As we write this, the news is breaking that two men in East London have been murdered, one of whom is said to be only eighteen years old. This brings those murdered to over 50 in London this year. Our hearts go out to all the families affected and we offer support and prayers at this difficult time. We wish to call on the Mayor of London, government, civic bodies, churches and the Metropolitan Police to unite in condemning these acts of violence and to work together with us on finding ways to tackle this murderous scourge that is threatening the peace and economic stability of our great city.

Now is the time for us to work together to enable our London community to curb this unnecessary rise in murders, which reflect a general increase in violent crime. One death is one too many! To reach a total of over fifty leaves us weeping alongside those who have lost love ones. We must act together to preserve human life and dignity.

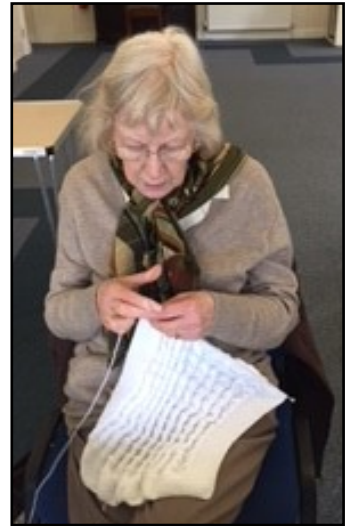


Crafty Club

The **Crafty Club** get together in our hall on alternate Monday afternoons to knit, and sew. And there is always time for a good chat; it's a very friendly group. For over twenty years hundreds of blankets, hats, baby cardigans, scarves etc. have been created by members past and present. And it continues...

What happens to all the things they knit? Squares are knitted then sewn together to make blankets which are given to the Archer project based at the Cathedral for the homeless and those in need of an extra layer of warmth.

Others are busy knitting cardigans and blankets for the premature baby ward in the Jessop Wing, Sheffield Hospital.



Other items are made as opportunities arise such as woolly hats for the Operation Christmas Child shoe box appeal.

In the past the group has created kneelers for our communion rail and banners which adorn the church at different times of the year.



Would you like to join this busy, friendly group?

You would be made very welcome. Look at page 6 for dates of their meetings in May and June. There is always some spare knitting needles and balls of wool to get you started!



TUESDAY GROUP - Tuesday 10 April "Palestine - Food for Thought"

It was a grey miserable evening and an invitation had been extended to anyone who wanted to join us for this special occasion, which was going to be very different to our usual format.

On arrival the schoolroom looked very inviting and colourful. The tables displayed the Palestinian flag and there were plates of food, such as hummus, za'atar bread, salad, labneh (strained yoghurt), coconut and semolina cake to eat, with sage tea and mint tea to drink. The food was absolutely delicious and we were invited to eat during the presentation.

The evening started with a demonstration on how to make hummus with chickpeas, which is blended with tahini, garlic, lemon juice and olive oil to make a paste. This is eaten with bread. This was followed by a film about Palestine, showing its history and the situation today. Israel has taken control of large areas of the West Bank and Gaza has also been blockaded. This means that 80% of residents in Gaza receive food aid from the United Nations. We were particularly taken aback by the high wall, which surrounds Bethlehem and also the narrow entrance that leads to the city. Palestine is a beautiful country with a Mediterranean climate and huge potential as a tourist destination. However, due to the conflict between Israel and Palestine this is not possible.

The presentation ended with a request to support the Palestinian economy by buying their products such as olive oil, dates and soaps and not to buy goods from Israel. Then there was just time to chat amongst ourselves at each table as to our thoughts on lives of the Palestinian people.

It was a very thought provoking evening but at the same time an enjoyable and social occasion. Our thanks must go to the team of Jenny, Annie and June who had all been to Palestine who led the meeting, prepared the food, and for their first-hand insights into the lives of the people that lived there.

Janet Clitherow & June Monks



Meetings in May & June

Monday Fellowship at 2.30 pm

14th May —Bring your favourite CDs 4th June —Out for tea 18th June —to be decided

Crafty Club at 2.30 pm

14th May, 28th May, 11th June, & 25th June

Tuesday Group at 7.30 pm

8th May—'Mother's Little Helpers'

12th June—'Dore area in Past Times', Dorne Coggins

Jonah Word Search

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		V Z A A E S S Q S G V	
		F O P C F S Y T E Q R A I V M	N I M
		A X M K M B O A O N R E H C D G H	X F F
Amittai	D N S C E	L R L J O P P A R Q U A	Q I K
Anger	A W F L V M	Y P T V H E V E N I N H R I A L	
Ashes	T Q S O L J A	T I S Y A N A W R G F H S S T A	
Assyria	G X T H R E E D A Y S A N D T H R E E N I G H T S		
Booth	H W F E M E N E W P C R F A I R Y S S A C P I K		
Cast Lots	T A R S H I S H K U I N N Y O G U Y C R E M P		
East Wind	S E I P W N R O S O G C P S N P P M	Y A H L	
Fasting	I P H T O O B T E G H J T S E P M E T		S D I
Fleeing	S F I C Q J S D K R C V P A I I K		
Forty Days	J N Q W W A U Q Y D C S G B		
Gourd	G C R H E B R E W W J		
Great Fish			
Hebrew			
Jonah			
Joppa			
Mercy			
	Nineveh		Ship
	Prayer		Sun
	Repentance		Tarshish
	Sackcloth		Tempest
	Sacrifice		Three Days and Three Nights
	Salvation		Worm
	Sea		

What is a hearing loop and how does it work?

Hearing Loops allow people who wear hearing aids to directly receive the sound from the church's PA system in their own hearing aids without having to pick up a separate listening device. The hearing loop system at Dore Methodist enables anyone in the congregation with hearing loss to participate fully in the services.

Do you use hearing aids or a cochlear implant?

If you wear hearing instruments you will need to find out if your hearing aids or CI have this wireless receiver called a T-coil or Telecoil built in, in order to benefit from the hearing loop in our church. The T-coil program is accessed by pushing a button on a hearing aid. This T-coil program has to be activated by your audiologist. Talk to your audiologist to find out if your instruments can have both a T (no background noise pick up) and an MT program (blended micro-phone & T-coil program) for improved hearing at church.

For questions about your hearing aids and telecoils talk to your audiologist.

To learn more about hearing loops visit: www.hearingloop.org



CLC Bookshops has moved to 2 Church Street, Sheffield, S1 2GN. It's the blue corner building just to the left of the Cathedral as you look from the tramlines. This is a very strategic move for your bookshop and a huge answer to prayer!! Updates will be in the CLC email newsletter. To sign up, drop a line to sheffield@clcbookshops.com



We're on the web!

www.doremethodist.org.uk



Did anyone jog to church?

Church Stewards:

Nigel Thomas

Jackie Bailey

Peter Beardsell

We hope you enjoy reading our magazine.

The next edition will be in July. If you would like to include any thing in a future magazine please contact Bridget Ball or John Bailey in person or email b.c.b@btinternet.com or john.bailey23a@btinternet.com

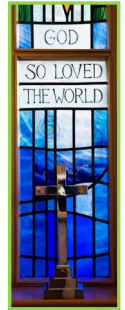
You will find Dore Methodist Church a place of **WELCOME, BELONGING** and **BELIEVING, ACCEPTANCE, LOVE, FORGIVENESS** and a place of **COMMUNITY** with caring people who will help you discover more of God's love and purpose for your own life.

Morning Worship at Dore Methodist Church

All are invited on

Sunday mornings at 10.30 am

Followed by coffee or tea and a time to chat in the hall



Regular Church Activities

Monday

Tea, Talk and Tunes for Toddlers(4Ts) from 10.00 am to 11.30 am during term time in our hall. For pre-school children with their carers.

The Monday Fellowship meets in the church hall on alternate Mondays at 2.30 pm with a variety of talks and occasional outings.

The Crafty Club meets alternate Mondays 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm for those who enjoy making things over a cup of tea and a chat.

Tuesday

The Tuesday Group meets once a month at 7.30 pm with a varied programme of speakers. Ladies of all ages welcome.

Men's Steak Night meets on the third Tuesday of each month for church members and guests.

Wednesday

Senior Citizens Luncheon Club provides a warm welcome with coffee and lunch.

Thursday

A bible discussion group known as the Focus Group meets fortnightly. These friendly informal meetings are held in the homes of the members of the group.

Our premises are also used by various other local groups including: Dore Mercia Townswomen's Guild; Dore Probus Club; Rainbows; Brownies; Dore Village Society and Dore Gardening Club.

To book the church hall please phone 0114 2365043

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