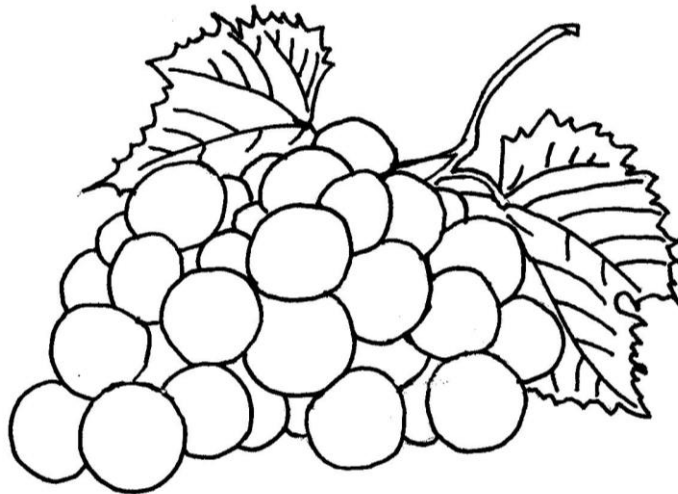


GROVE VINE

**The Magazine of
Grove Methodist Church
Horsforth, Leeds**

February 2020



**The Grove Methodist Church is called to respond to the
Gospel of love in Jesus Christ and to live out its
discipleship in worship, service and mission**

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Regular events

Sunday

- 10.20 Creche (0-3yrs) 0113 258 3509
- 10.20 J Team (tots to 12s) 0113 293 6745
- 10.30 Worship
- 6.00 Worship (see page 4 for the appropriate church)

Monday

- 12.00 Luncheon Club 0113 258 3807
- 1.30 Network Women's Fellowship 0113 258 9448
- 6.15 Beavers and Cubs 07588034499
- 7.45 Scouts 07588034499
- 7.45 Flower Guild (3rd Monday in the month) 0113 258 4520

Tuesday

- 9 -9.30 Prayer Group in the Quiet Room 0113 258 8803
- 10-11.30 Coffee in the Centre Small Hall 0113 440 6480
- Quiet Room available for prayer.
- Jean Kemp's hand-made greetings cards are available on the first Tuesday of the month
- 6.00 Rainbows (5th Horsforth) 0113 259 0555
- 6.15 Brownies (5th Horsforth) 0113 258 3670
- 7.45 Guides (5th Horsforth) 07718 28707

Wednesday

- 2.00 Line Dancing 0113 258 7444
- 6.00 Rainbows (14th) 0113 258 55196.15
- 6.00 Brownies (14th) 0113 250 4907
- 7.30 Wednesday Break (fortnightly) 0113 225 2734
- 8.00 Explorer Scouts 07505119290

Thursday

- 9.30-11.30 Tots & Tykes (0-4yrs) 0113 293 8458
- 11.00 Bible Fellowship 0113 258 3239
- 6.30 Cubs 07588034499
- 6.15 Beavers 07588034499
- 7.45 Scouts 07588034499
- 7.45 Ladies' Group (1st and 3rd Thursdays) 0113 258 2097

Friday

- 7.30 Choir Rehearsal 258 9093

Walking Groups: 1st Saturday and 3rd Thursday: Contact Keith 258 6316

Minister's letter

Dear Friends,

I am only just old enough to remember steam engines operating on the main rail network. When I was young I used to travel by train to Guildford station where there were still a few steam trains operating. Steam engines have a peculiar attraction. There seem to be an ever increasing number of privately run steam railways. However, steam engines weren't really all that efficient; they took time to pull away and pick up speed.

Today we travel on modern trains like the Azuma between the major cities of the country. The guard blows the whistle or pushes the button and the engine pulls away quickly, smoothly and effortlessly. It draws its electric power from outside itself, a power much more effective than the old steam engine which made its own power.

This is a parable for us as we live our lives for Christ. Although we trust in God we often labour under our own steam because we do not allow the Holy Spirit to control our lives. When we try to manage on our own we don't get very far; we feel we're not being very effective in God's service.

What we need is a power that comes from outside ourselves – the power of the Holy Spirit that God offers to each one of us.

With best wishes,

Mark

Thought for the month

To me prayer is really for putting things in perspective and finding greater values. You think there's something you want, but when you pray, you realise that there is something much more important than that.

Timothy West, actor.

Church Family News.....

Please remember in your prayers all those known to us who face a variety of difficulties; bereavement; health problems; anxiety about loved ones and loneliness.

From the Registers

January 22nd Kathleen Taylor

Sunday Services in February

2nd	10.30	Rev. Kerry Tankard - Church Anniversary
	6.00	Rev. Godfrey Nicholson
9th	9.00	Rev. Mark Godfrey – Holy Communion
	10.30	Rev. Mark Godfrey
	6.00	United Service at Woodside
16th	10.30	Local Arrangement
	6.00	United Service at Woodside
23rd	10.30	Rev. Mark Godfrey - Holy Communion
	6.00	Rev. Keith Hunt

Stewards on Duty in February

2nd	Phil Maud and Paul Thompson
9th	Michael Wallis and Ann Bailey
16th	Caroline Turner and Phil Maud
23rd	Cynthia Hatton and Michael Wallis

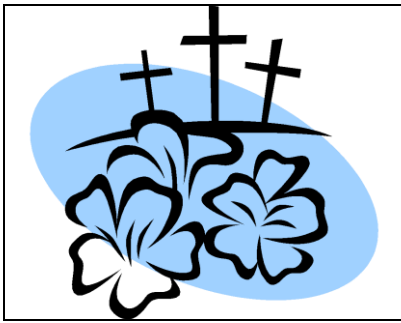
Grove Scout and Guide Sunday - Feb 9th

This important annual service, in which we read our laws and renew our promises, will take place on Sunday February 9th AT 2.30PM. It will be followed by tea and cakes in the Grove Centre.

We recognise that many of our young people have sporting commitments throughout the winter season, hence the afternoon slot. The Grove has supported uniformed organisations for over 90 years, so if members of the congregation would care to join us, you would be very welcome.

As the preacher I am well used to the fact that, after laws /promises/ certificates etc I shall be lucky to get time to bless the collection! Nevertheless I shall squeeze items in to make you laugh and think as we thank God for Guiding and Scouting at the Grove.

Phil Maud



LENT 2020

There will be many opportunities this year to make Lent special.

Ash Wednesday (26th Feb) There will be a service at The Grove
at 12.30 pm

Horsforth Churches Together Lent Housegroups 2020

Theme: Journey to the Cross

The booklet which will be used by groups looks at some of the people that Jesus met on his journey through life, invites us to reflect on his words and actions and consider how we can follow his example in the way we view our world and those we meet. The material has been produced by Embrace and contains examples of Christians from the Middle East who choose to follow Jesus Christ and embrace life with all its struggles, challenges, hopes and dreams.

Housegroups start: Week beginning 2 March

Invitation: Don't miss this opportunity of meeting with folk from other churches, learning from each other and sharing ideas from different perspectives. Sign one of the notices on the notice board in the narthex, or outside the Main Hall, giving your preferred day and time.

Lent Prayer Diaries

These diaries are produced by Leeds Churches Together in Mission and are a wonderful source of information about the variety of Christian work that is going on in Leeds. The diary itself allows readers to work their way through Lent, praying for a different entry each day. Each entry has a combination of information, prayer requests and stories highlighting some of the invaluable work. Please contact Jean Orton (2589093) if you would like a copy.

The Precursors of the 16th Century Reformation

Part 3 Jan Hus 1369 - 1415

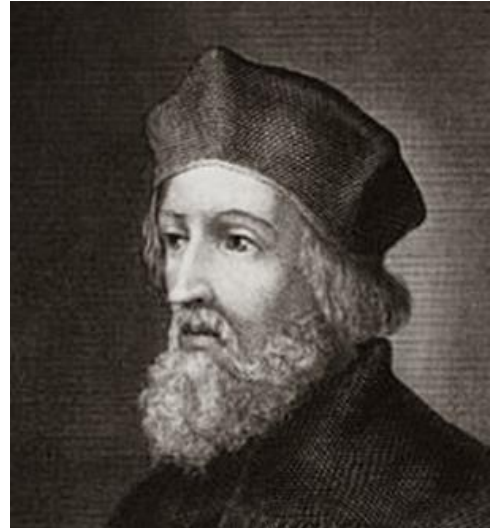
Jan Hus was born in Husinec in 1369, to a peasant family in Bohemia, a country which we now call the Czech Republic. Bohemia still has a secondary meaning, believed to be the place where gipsies originated (hence the idea that people who do not follow the traditional way of life are called Bohemians). However here we are discovering the historic facts about one of Bohemia's mediaeval citizens who contributed ideas to reform the Roman Catholic church in that country and eventually died for his beliefs.

Bohemia was a Slavonic nation and did not receive Christianity from western Europe, but from a Slavonic source. Coming later under German influence in its politics, Bohemia was compelled to accept western Roman Catholicism. In Jan Hus's time during the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries there were minor rebellions among outspoken clergy. The English John Wycliffe's writings became available suggesting a new organisation of the church, ideas which had great influence on Jan Hus.

The local Bohemian dynasty came to an end in 1306 and a new dynasty was installed to rule, coming from Luxembourg. The extra title of King of the Romans passed through that family and Charles IV became emperor. The territory of the Empire expanded and Bohemia became the centre of German immigration, culture and learning.

All the time that Hus was alive there was disruptive occurrence in the catholic church called the Great Schism, beginning in 1378 and lasting thirty eight years. It was really a battle for the election of a new pope. Three ambitious men with their own supporters competed for the role. Confrontations, underhand scheming and verbal assaults were regularly heard and seen. Church councils were set up to deal with the divisions. The split occasioned competition from France and two French popes set themselves in office while Italians assumed the high office for themselves. This disruption was always in the background.

Hus as a young man was intelligent enough to enter the University of Prague, a recently opened institution. He studied in the faculty of liberal arts. In 1400 he was ordained as a priest and the following year was elected Dean of the faculty. He wished to work towards a doctorate but the work was never completed. Already rumours were spreading regarding his beliefs and what he said when addressing his congregation at Bethlehem Church. His popularity rose because his sermons were preached in the vernacular; Latin was disregarded. His friend Jerome of Prague provided him with the writings of John Wycliffe. Latin in this respect, from England, was influential, making a good impression on him. Those who heard his sermons, often with quotations from Wycliffe, became aware of the outside influence and condemned them.



The Archbishop of Prague in the beginning supported Hus and appointed him to preach at the Prague Synod of 1405. However Hus used that time to attack the clergy, their immoral behaviour, their neglect of the Bible, their personal wealth and their abusive tendencies. Naturally the clergy opposed him and led Popes Innocent VII and Gregory XII to condemn him. The Archbishop was told to confront Hus and ordered the burning in public of Wycliffe's books.

Hus was forbidden to preach but continued to do so. The one area where he agreed with the catholic church was in the belief in transubstantiation, the doctrine that focussed on the communion and the idea that the bread and wine, after consecration, changed into the body and blood of Jesus Christ and remained so afterwards. However Hus demanded that both elements, bread and wine, should be given to all communicants as everyone, except the clergy and certain V.I.P.s, was given the bread only. The church raised objections; this was an attack on their historic traditions. Hus was charged therefore with heresy and put under interdict, thus being barred from all ecclesiastical functions and privileges. In

1412 he was compelled to leave Prague and went to stay at a friend's house. Here he composed his greatest work "De ecclesia", an analysis of the doctrines, the teaching and practice of the church, together with an interpretation of the Bible. Scholars say that some of his ideas in this work were borrowed from Wycliffe's writings.

In 1414 he was summoned to the Council of Constance to defend his beliefs. Sigismund, King of Bohemia, offered him safe conduct but that was withdrawn for political reasons. Hus was therefore arrested, charged with heresy and in July 1415 he was burned at the stake. One year later his friend Jerome suffered the same fate.

Of course Hus had many followers from all sections of society, known as the Hussites. After his death they gathered together and fought for the beliefs they shared with Hus. Fierce battles occurred for many years and the church failed to control the opposition. They concurred in the recognition of the 16th century Reformation but there was a long waiting time until the 20th century when the Hussite church was first set up in Czechoslovakia.

Certain historians describe the life and times of Jan Hus as a pre-Reformation. Others do not and think that Martin Luther and Jean Calvin were not influenced by him. Some call him a puritan who sought a change in the nature of the church, going back to the early Christian church, plain and simple and unadorned with a focus on the Bible. He gave his life for these principles which were only recognised by the state centuries later.

Christine Mathers

Marriage and Relationships Report to Conference

The last workshop on this report is at Trinity Church Bramley on Saturday March 7th 10.00 - 4.00pm. If you have not been to any of the meetings to learn what is to come to the Methodist Conference this summer do try to get to this last opportunity. Give your name to Phil Maud or to the Circuit Office (2794816).

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

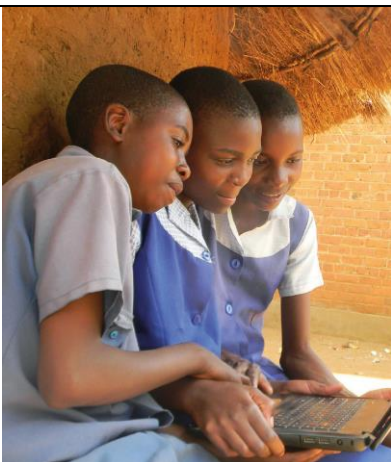
Friday 6th March at The Grove 2.00pm.

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. This year's programme has been written by women in Zimbabwe and is based on John 5: 2-9a

Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk



When Jesus meets someone who needs healing he asks “Do you want to be made well?” We also are faced with this life-changing question. We can use this service to reflect on our community and ecumenical partners. Prayer and action are what links us together around the globe.



The country of Zimbabwe continues its search for peace during its political transition. The change in government, that occurred when the WDP materials were written, continues to bring Zimbabwe to the frontlines of the media. The economy crashed the dreams of many, Mugabe died at 95 years old, protests are met with violence, and a massive cyclone has flooded some communities.

2020

A National Prayer Initiative

On the **20th** of each month

At **20:20**

For **20 minutes**

This year we begin a new decade.

Will you join us over the coming year?

Mark these dates in your diary now!

Innovative ideas about topics and locations

Welcome (do you want to host us?)

Phil Maud (phillmaud@hotmail.com)

(Early) Pancake Party

Instead of Messy Church in February we're holding an early Pancake Party for children during half term.

Date: Thursday 20th February

Time: 10:00 am – 12 noon

Where: Grove Centre

Who: All primary school aged children. We will also have a pre-school room with different activities (they will need an adult to stay with them)

HELP NEEDED: We do need more help to run this,

- Particularly with the pre-school group, we need people who are willing to help with crafts, play with children & talk to parents (all equipment & craft materials, including instructions, will be provided).
- We could also do with some more help in the kitchen - there will be quite a lot of washing up as well as making drinks etc.

PLEASE get in touch if you can help on the day. Contact Jenny Godfrey: email jennyagodfrey@gmail.com, phone 07752828112 or 0113 2582678

Even if you can't help with the above please would you:

- Tell all the children you know about it
- Pray for the children who go, leaders & helpers

Thank you for your support.



Grove Church - Users of the Premises

This Month features another one of the many and diverse groups we have meet here at the Grove. Siân's Yoga group is a pleasure to have.

Alan Firth Premises Manager

Children's Yoga:

As the founder and teacher of Body, Mind and Heart Kids Yoga and Mindfulness I really enjoy the children walking through the door to their weekly Monday and Friday after school classes at The Grove Centre.

I have built a true passion for teaching children and teenagers to learn to look after their bodies and minds after first practising when I was only fourteen years old.

Although children's yoga follows the main points of movement through yoga poses, working with your breath and relaxation it is very different to an adult class. This is especially true of my children's fun and interactive class (4-8 years) where we make more noise, play games and follow stories and teen classes (8-16 years) follow a more adult theme, with added mindfulness in the form of gratitude journals and a safe place to share if you so wish.

There are many benefits of yoga and mindfulness for children including:

- maintaining the flexibility their bodies are naturally born with and building strength and better posture
- teaching them to breath more deeply, which is a great tool to help them to cope with the varied emotions they deal with from being very excited to being sad, angry or nervous and helping to encourage better sleep
- promoting effective concentration and communication skills.

I'm an accredited Kids Yoga Teacher and complementing this is my Diploma in Mindfulness for Children and my training with Youth Mindfulness in teaching a full stand alone mindfulness curriculum.

You can also find me teaching family yoga and mindfulness and work closely with primary and high schools helping Year 6 students preparing for SATS and at special events such as Mental Health Week and Schools Health Week.

For more information contact Siân: bodymindandheart@hotmail.com /07903 366753/ bodymindandheart.yoga.com

To view what happens in class visit: Facebook/ Instagram pages at Bodymindandheart

The Grove on Facebook



Having updated our Church website we realise that a number of people today get their information about events, churches and groups from Facebook. This particularly applies to people who are looking for new churches and groups to join. We would therefore like to set up a Horsforth Grove Facebook page.

We are proposing to have a meeting to discuss how we do this, including topics, information and posts members would like included on such a page (and also what they don't want) as well as how we will set this up and maintain it. The meeting is on **Wednesday 19th February** at 7:00 at 7 Fraser Avenue LS18 5EA and anyone who is interested in this is very welcome to attend. It would also be good to have a representative from any groups that would like to use such a page to advertise their activities.

For further information contact Andy Walker andy.walker55@talktalk.net tel: [07988 650102](tel:07988650102) or Jenny Godfrey jennyagodfrey@gmail.com tel: 07752828112/0113 2582678.

Carboy Appeal: January/February PhysioNet

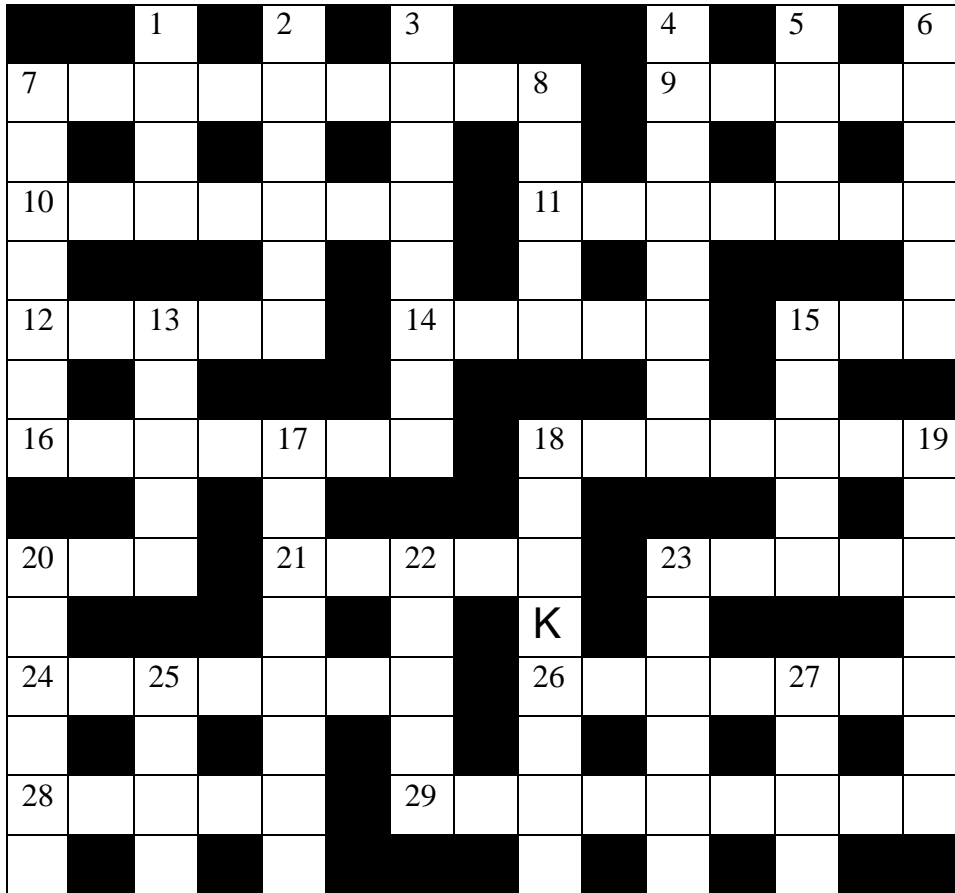
PhysioNet transforms the lives of some of the poorest and neediest people in the Third World, collecting, repairing and delivering redundant wheelchairs and other mobility aids which improves their quality of life by enabling them to go to school or find work. Thank you for your generous help



Dorina Overson

Puzzle Page

Fill in the blanks with the words below. One letter is already given



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| GAD | AIOLI | ROTOR | COMFORT | CITIZENS |
| TIN | ELIAS | TENET | DELILAH | DARKNESS |
| | EXTRA | TULIP | GALILEE | PALLMALL |
| EMIL | LAUND | UPPER | HARMONY | SYRACUSE |
| JOEL | NIGHT | GIDEON | MALACHI | |
| LION | OTLEY | GOSPEL | NOVELLO | COMMUNION |
| RAIN | | OUTCRY | SARACEN | TESTIMONY |
| | | UNVEIL | TRUISMS | |

Countdown numbers

Given numbers						Target
50	100	4	3	10	1	425
50	10	7	9	7	6	479
25	75	8	9	7	5	293
8	7	6	5	9	2	430

Tony Orton

Solutions to December 2019 Puzzles

1. Wordsearch: Across: Bethlehem, Donkey, Frankincense, Gabriel, Inn, Jesus, Myrrh, Quirinius, Sheep, Shepherds, Star, Stable. Down: Augustus, Census, Elizabeth, Gold, Herod, Immanuel, Joseph, Magi, Mary, Nazareth, Simeon, Stars, Zechariah. Diagonal: Angels, Anna, Ass, Egypt, Manger, Ox. Other words: Carol, Dance, Date, Fig, Gift, Holly, Ivy, Noel, Smile, Songs, Xmas, Yule.

2. Sudoku:

L	E	S	A	N	W	O	K	F
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K	N	A	S	F	O	E	L	W
S	F	N	L	A	E	K	W	O
E	L	O	W	K	S	F	N	A
W	A	K	N	O	F	S	E	L
O	S	E	K	W	L	A	F	N
A	W	F	O	E	N	L	S	K
N	K	L	F	S	A	W	O	E

3. Words, words, words

How many did you find? If you have more than 150 without using plurals I'd love to see them. Here are a few of the less obvious ones: chi, ria, sic, amir, cist, mach, mica, sati, tsar, aitch, chasm, sitar, stash, strim, mastic, racism, schism, schist, miscast, sacrist, chartism.

Tony Orton

Please note

The next Church Council is on Thursday 27th February 2020 at 7.30pm in the Small Hall.

Peter Mawson
Church Council Secretary

The Rattenbury Dynasty

Following Gordon's article about the Rev. H.B. Rattenbury I thought that readers might be interested to learn that this famous Methodist dynasty had connections with our circuit. While Albert was on the staff at Oxford Place Chapel (1977-84) the Rev H Morley Rattenbury was asked to preach there. Morley was the elder son of Harrold (sic) Burgoyne Rattenbury and Emily (see Dec/Jan Grove Vine). When Albert moved on to Trinity Church Bramley he invited Mr Rattenbury to preach there. He and his wife Elizabeth came to lunch with us following the service and from then on he preached several times at Trinity, living as they were in retirement in Otley. It is quite likely that he may have taken services at the Grove, does anyone remember?

Morley was born in August 1915 in Kuling in China and was educated at the Methodist school, Kingswood, in Bath. He read medieval history at Oriel College, Oxford, before

training for the ministry at Wesley House, Cambridge, as did Albert which gave them immediate interests in common.

During World War II Morley was an RAF chaplain.

While teaching church history and History of Doctrine at Headingley College 1954-1967, he led the way in establishing a Methodist International House in Leeds. He retired to Otley and then moved to Silverdale in Lancashire where we visited and were entertained by them a number of times. They attended the little Methodist Church and delighted to have theological discussions with us. Both were great readers. We also enjoyed being shown around their garden of which they were very proud and sitting out for tea when the weather allowed.

Morley died in May 2005 in Lancaster. Elizabeth lived for several years more. A lovely couple.

Gill Jewell



We, your Editors, will be happy to receive articles from our readers on any of these titles: Retirement Holidays; Best day out; My career; My hobby or any other ideas you might have. Normally the length should be maximum 2 pages or 300 words (exceptions can be considered!). Email (or copy as an attachment) would be appreciated but handwritten can be accepted (giving time for the article to be typed by the duty editor please!)

Please note the dates for each next Grove Vine can always be found inside the back cover.

What's on

Wednesday Break 5th February 7.30 Albert Jewell at Keith and Trish's, 9 West End Lane 2586316.

Friday 7th February 6.45pm Grove Cinema 'The Lady in the Van' (12A) Grove Centre.

Wednesday Break 19th Feb. Wetherby Whaler (Margaret to arrange) 2252734 Lunchtime meal out.

Ash Wednesday 26th Feb 12.30 pm service at The Grove.

Thursday 27th February 7.30pm Church Council in the Small Hall.

Wednesday Break 4th March 7.30. Peter Reasbeck at Michael and Janet's, 84 Morris Lane 2783278.

Friday 6th March at The Grove 2.00pm World Day of Prayer All welcome. (See p.9) Followed by refreshments.

Saturday 7th March 10am-4pm Final workshop for the Marriage and Relationships Report at Bramley Trinity. All welcome. (See p.8)



We exist in the image of God as we appreciate and respond creatively to the diversity in his creation.

Diversity is God, in all things, to all people, a mystery and a gift. We are diverse ourselves and confront the darkness of our own prejudices in order to live together in peace; the 'widest extremes to join'.

Dialogue and understanding between cultures is necessary as the glory of all cultures is to be found within the city of God.

Such glory exists in the ingenuity of creation and human creativity which reveals its original designer.

Humanity and divinity inextricably are linked in artistic co-operation. So 'we the life of God shall know'.

Source unknown



On Sunday 12th January we were pleased to welcome the new Scout Leaders Simon Croft and Louise Harding when they introduced themselves to the congregation. We shall hope to be hearing more from them in the future.

From the Editorial Group

Note that the Editorial Teams alternate..... n.b. the March issue will be prepared by Paul and Jenny and you should send items to them - no later than 5pm on Wednesday 19th February. Please include details up to 5th April

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