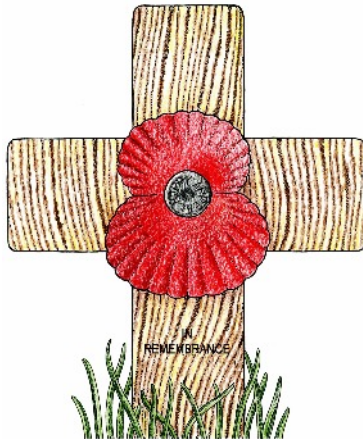


LANGLEY METHODIST NEWS

November 2020



Ministers: All the congregation
Contact: Rev Dr Graham M Edwards
01625 426051



LANGLEY VISION STATEMENT

“To maintain a growing, caring and welcoming fellowship
that develops spiritual growth and wholeness through
worship and outreach to the community.”

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Activities at Langley Methodist Church

ON LINE

Sunday Services You Tube *Macclesfield Methodist Circuit*.
 Available from about 08:00 on the Sunday
 Earlier services are available from the same site.

The dates and times and contact details below are legacy information for guidance if you need to contact any group for information when there is any news of an easing of the lock down.

Regular Activities

Coffee & Chat	10.30 am	Wednesday
Choir Practice	7.30 pm	Thursday
Lunch Club	1.00 pm	2 nd Tuesday of the month

Other Activities During Term Time

Little Lambs	10.00 a.m	Monday
Yoga	1.30 p.m	Monday (places available)
Scottish Dancing	6.30 p.m	Tuesday Juniors
	7.30 p.m	Tuesday Adults
T'ai Chi	6.45 p.m	Wednesday
Craft Group	10.00 a.m	Thursday
U3A Painting Grp	10.15 -12.15	Friday
	1.30 - 3.30	Friday

Contact information.

Little Lambs	Sarah Sinnett	07762497985
Lunch Club	Marie Gilbert	01260 253126
U3A Painting Grp	Jackie Gibbs	07843 799614
Scottish Dancing	Joan Bradbury	01260 252976
T'ai Chi	Karen Davies	01477 534667
Yoga	Marion Duff	01625 528650

The tale of the Tower Builder



JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS

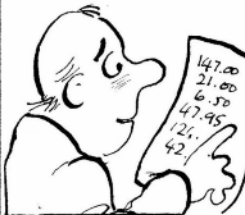


ON ONE OCCASION JESUS EXPLAINED HOW IT WOULDN'T ALWAYS BE EASY TO FOLLOW HIM.



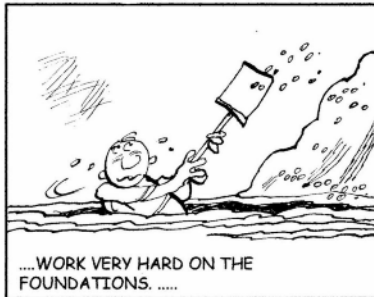
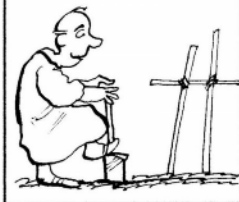
JESUS BEGAN, 'IF ONE OF YOU PLANS TO BUILD A TOWER....'

...YOU'LL FIRST NEED TO WORK HOW MUCH IT WILL COST.



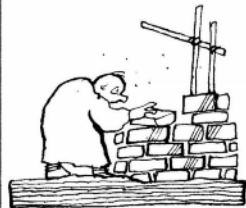
IF YOU DON'T DO THE SUMS....

...YOU MIGHT MAKE A START,

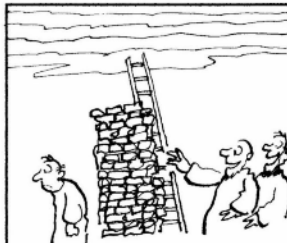


....WORK VERY HARD ON THE FOUNDATIONS.

...THEN START TO LAY THE BRICKS,....



...BUT SUDDENLY RUN OUT OF MONEY!!



THEN PEOPLE WILL LAUGH AT YOU!



WE NEED TO REALISE THAT ALTHOUGH FOLLOWING JESUS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO, IT'S ALSO A GREAT CHALLENGE.



NOTICE SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

Due to COVID 19 restrictions, the Parish Council will not be holding any Christmas switch-on events.

**We would ask that Members of the Public please
adhere to Government guidelines at this time.**

Laugh lines

"I said to the Gym instructor "Can you teach me to do the splits?"
He said, "How flexible are you?" I said, "I can't make Tuesdays"

Doc, I can't stop singing the 'Green Green Grass of Home'. 'That
sounds like Tom Jones syndrome' he said. 'Is it common?' I
asked. 'It's not unusual' he replied.

A man walks into a bar with a roll of tarmac under his arm and
says: "Pint please, and one for the road."

I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day but I
couldn't find any.

My parents made me walk the plank when I was younger... We
couldn't afford a dog

(Seen in the Daily Telegraph list of best jokes)




The Silent Transformer.


If death were the end
 The silent swallower of love,
 Then love would not be as it is,
 Namely the great transformer.
 Love would not reappear
 Or heal our hurts as it does
 Over and over.

Love would not be the one supreme force
 Which we unceasingly thirst and hunger after,
 And which alone safely directs our course.
 Love would not rise in us
 With its strong wings of joy
 To carry our burdens and make light our journey.
 No, if death were the end
 We would not know love,
 But, since death is the beginning of a new love
 Then, all we have to truly learn
 Is how love plays its game of hide and seek
 And keep hope in love, that it will always return.

Marion Duff



In life we do things.
Some we wish we had never done.
Some we wish we could replay
a million times.
But they all make us
who we are, and, in the end,
they shape every detail about us.
If we were to reverse
any of them we wouldn't be
the person we are.
So just live, make mistakes,
have wonderful memories.
But never ever second guess
who you are, where you have been,
and, most importantly,
where it is you're going.



CFWI General meeting by Zoom Inspiring Women with Stacey Copeland



While we were waiting for everyone to join the meeting, members gave a weather report for Cheshire. There was rumbling thunder on The Wirral, a rainbow in Runcorn, it was a beautiful evening in Ellesmere Port and Sutton and sunny in Sandbach. Your typical English Summer!

This talk was not just for fans of sport. Stacey Copeland is deeply passionate about making a difference to others and uses her love of sport to make a positive impact wherever she can.

At Primary school, Stacey loved football and asked her mum if she could have short hair. “Why do you want to be boy?” was the question.

Her sexuality was challenged at High School, same response. Stacey didn’t want to be a boy, she wanted to play football and so she did until the age of 29 after 12 broken bones and 9 surgeries. She played in the Women’s Premier League and was called to the England squad at the age of 16.

She moved to boxing because her grandad runs the family boxing gym and has done for over 40 years. When Stacey first wanted to box aged 11, it was illegal for girls to be a boxer. Times changed and she won the Commonwealth Boxing Title in Zimbabwe in 2018. But, there was no belt for the winning female. She said she was so proud to stand on the winning podium watching her National flag being raised but she was furious because she had no belt and her male counterpart did.

On returning home, she decided to do something about it. “Question it, challenge it, change it” is her mantra. She was told there isn’t as much money in Women’s boxing, so she could have a replica belt in two weeks’ time.



That wasn't to Stacey's satisfaction so she persisted with her challenge and was awarded a real boxing belt in December 2018, five months after her victory. Change has happened, Women Champions now receive real belts.

"Talent is everywhere but opportunity isn't, for girls," said Stacey. She has been mocked, called names and has faced huge barriers throughout her career.

When she was called to play for the England football squad, she had to ask her boss for leave and he agreed, providing she took it as unpaid leave.

Stacey's been told that women's sport doesn't create as much revenue, she believes that's because they don't get as much exposure on TV; think of women's cricket, or rugby, hardly ever broadcast on the mainstream channels.

Stacey used to support Manchester United Mens' team but has changed her allegiance, saying that the Mens' Premiership is grossly overpaid and the atmosphere, language and racism is not appropriate for young specators. She supports Manchester City Women's team now and takes her neice to matches, along with a growing spectatorship of 13,000 supporters.

"Pave the Way" is a charity of which Stacey has been a part in recent years, supporting girls and young women in their chosen sport. She continues to make a difference by choosing in her own words, "Courage over Comfort" to achieve her goals. She is a superb ambassador for women's rights inside and outside sport.

Maria Rowson.

Zooming

Don't forget you can see CFWI Speakers on Zoom. Maria sends you regular updates and links for this service which is provided by Cheshire Federation.

Just download the app and click the link; it's not as difficult as you think. When prompted insert your name and which WI you belong to.

How to download Zoom on your PC

Open your computer's internet browser and navigate to the Zoom website at www.zoom.us. Scroll down to the bottom of the page and under "Download" section in the web page's footer, click "Meetings Client." Under the "Zoom Client for Meetings" section, click "Download". The Zoom app will then begin downloading.

The Tunnickliffe Apple Trees

The last time I visited the two apple trees that we presented to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the National Federation and the Centenary of the Cheshire Federation, both our saplings were in blossom. On the day we were going to install the second plaque in March, the Covid restrictions came into being and so the ceremony had to be cancelled.

I was very pleased to see that both trees had managed to produce apples, if not quite perfect, at least they had a go. We have visions for the future of these two trees producing apples for local residents and Hollinhey school children so they have made a good start as mere saplings.

Viv Warrington



Smile

A man told his doctor that he was worried because he just wasn't able to do all the things that his Boss expected him to do. When the examination was complete, he said, "I'm prepared for the worst, doctor. Just tell me in plain English what is wrong with me."

"Well, in plain English," the doctor replied, "you're just lazy."

"Okay," said the man "Now give me the medical term so I can tell my Boss."

Thought you knew everything?

- 'Stewardesses' is the longest word typed with only the left hand and 'lollipop' is the longest word typed with the right hand.
- In the English language nothing rhymes with 'month', 'orange', 'silver', or 'purple'.
- 'Dreamt' is the only English word that ends in the letters 'mt'.
- The sentence: 'The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog' uses every letter of the alphabet.
- There are only four words in the English language which end in 'dous': 'tremendous', 'horrendous', 'stupendous', and 'hazardous'.
- There are two words in the English language that have all five vowels in order: 'abstemious' and 'facetious'.
- 'Typewriter' is the longest word that can be made using the letters only on one row of the keyboard.
- A 'jiffy' is an actual unit of time, 1/100th of a second.
- Babies are born without kneecaps They don't appear until the child reaches 2 to 6 years of age.
- February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon.
- In the last 4,000 years, no new animals have been domesticated
- If the population of China walked past you, 8 abreast, the line would never end because of the rate of reproduction.
- Peanuts can be one of the ingredients of dynamite!
- The microwave was invented after a researcher noticed a radar tube melted a chocolate bar in his pocket.
- The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely
- Women blink nearly twice as much as men.



togetherness





Sutton Parish Council

The **OCTOBER** meeting of Sutton Parish Council was attended by eleven Councillors and the Clerk. Apologies were received from Cllr M Eardley.

Sutton Parish Council has made its decisions in a virtual conferencing format. Council business is continuing as normal so please contact us if you have any concerns or issues to raise. Each meeting is conducted with members of the public able to witness the decisions being made and also contribute during any agenda item highlighted as '**Public Participation**'. If you would like to join a virtual meeting you will need to contact the Parish Clerk and a link to the meeting will be issued. Please be aware that you can access the meeting by a landline.

ISSUES RAISED UNDER PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- The effect of COVID restrictions on Remembrance Day.

MEMBERS REPORTS

The Cheshire East Ward Member:

- The Ward Councillor's blog is available for October.
- Application at Hawkes Head quarry will be going to the Northern Planning Committee.
- He continues to receive emails objecting to the filling in of the Scraggs Pond, Langley (Lavendar Fields development). He is assured by Seddons that they will listen to what is said. The planning application is likely to go to the Northern Planning Committee once submitted.
- There are continuing concerns regarding the increase in traffic and mountain bikers in Macclesfield Forest and the surrounding area. He continues to work with all agencies and concerned parties involved.
- There was a discussion with Members regarding the implications of a recreational hub in the forest. The Ward Councillor is hoping to attend a workshop on the 22nd October on this matter.

The Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team:

- Surgeries have been going well. The surgeries will be at the Ex-Servicemen's Club Wednesday 14th October (10 a.m. to 11 a.m.) and Thursday 15th at the Leathers Smithy (10 a.m. to 11 a.m.). He is thinking about arranging surgeries at Langley Methodist Church.
- He has been back to the Hollinhey School dealing with inconsiderate parking.
- It has not been possible to go into the school but, the Head has been passing on any issues.
- Macclesfield Forest has been very busy, with mounting bikers and walkers, causing a considerable amount of time being spent in the forest and supporting residents.
- The Civil Enforcement Officers have also been out regularly issuing parking tickets.
- He thanked Members for considering the installation of policing post box.
- 17/9 - motor parts stolen from vehicles.
- Concern for safety at Macclesfield Forest.
- 19/9 - theft of registration plates Langley.
- 29/9 - concern for safety.
- Road traffic collision near Shell garage, Lyme Green.

HIGHWAYS MATTERS RAISED

- Langley Road - hedge growing out into the road in places.
- To chase blocked drain outside 14 Hall Lane.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL

- Virtual meetings will continue.
- Quote for the installation of Christmas trees @ £480 +VAT was agreed to be reviewed for the next budget. It was noted that the cost included storage.
- Quotes were agreed for the installation of 2m seating in bus shelters @ £640 plus VAT in Sutton and Lyme Green.

REPORTS FROM PARK 4ALL@LYME GREEN

Park 4all are still waiting for a date when Ansa will re-start the work in the park, this work will include all the outstanding elements, the delay being caused by the availability of tarmac for the new path near the sunken garden which we have been advised has to be installed first. Fundraising for the children's play area continues to be work in progress.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

- There will be a Remembrance Day display in the Pleasance bus shelter.
- Residents to be encouraged to place poppies in windows.
- A paper colour-in version of poppies to be put on Facebook and print version to be available in village shop.
- A joint statement between the PCC and Parish Council to be distributed to residents through Facebook, website and notice boards.
- It was noted that a risk assessment for Remembrance Sunday had been forwarded to Cheshire East Council
- A service will be available on-line with the Church open for private prayer.
- There will be no procession or service and the roads will not be closed.
- Wreaths will be laid at the Sutton Memorial, on the Pleasance, and will be live streamed on Facebook Sutton Lane Ends. Due to COVID restrictions we are limited to only six people in attendance.
- Residents will be asked to observe 2 minutes silence at their own front doors.

FINANCE

Receipts – None received.

Payments Included – Sarah Giller (Salary and Expenses for September), Cllr G Barber (Sunflower Competition: Receipts for sunflower seeds and book tokens), F Davies & Son Ltd (Order 237 Column 86 conversion of head to LED), Arrow Business Machines Ltd (Copier paper) and EON (Electricity supply September).

PLANNING

Members agreed comments for return to the relevant authority for these applications during October:

No Objection - Applications 20/3898M (Sutton Post Office, 1 Tunnicliffe Road, Sutton. Alterations to existing shop to form cafe and external decked area), 20/4077M (5 Symondley Road, Sutton. Proposed first floor side elevation extension, single storey rear elevation extension and front elevation porch extension), 20/3638M (Chestnut Lodge, Radcliffe Road, Sutton. Two storey rear extension, porch infill and extension to existing garage) and 20/3931M (Oakenclough House, Oakenclough Road, Sutton. Proposed detached double garage & store).

Details of our comments regarding these planning applications can be found using the following link:

http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/planning/view_a_planning_application.aspx

SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

The winners were announced at Hollinhey School on 29th October during their Harvest assembly (held virtually).

INFORMATION - please note the following:

Remembrance Day - there will be no service or procession this year due to COVID 19 restrictions.

Christmas Events - there will be no switch-on events this year due to COVID restrictions.

Meeting agendas and minutes are all available on our website or from the Parish Clerk. If you have any enquiries, please contact:

Mrs S Giller - Clerk & RFO to Sutton Parish Council

Tel: 01625 850532

Email address: suttonparish@aol.com

Website: <http://suttonparish.co.uk/>

Future Meetings – 2020

12th November

10th December

All Meetings commence at 7.30 p.m. and, unless legislation changes, will be conducted virtually. Meetings will be advertised on the Parish notice boards, website and Facebook. All residents are welcome to attend.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Sunday 8th November 2020

**Joint statement from Sutton St James Parochial
Church Council and Sutton Parish Council**

Due to COVID 19 restrictions, there will be **NO SERVICE OR PROCESSION** this year. However, we will be remembering the members of our armed forces who have died in the line of duty, in other ways.

There will be an on-line service, recorded from Sutton St James Church, including two minutes silence. This will be shown on the Peak Parishes YouTube site. The service will premiere at 10.15am on Remembrance Sunday. To access the YouTube Channel, just search for Peak Parishes or follow the link

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiSOm7vamOZVfw7PDFpm6JQ/>

Sutton St James Church will be open for private prayer on Remembrance Sunday from 10am – 4pm.

During Remembrance week, a display will be set up in the bus shelter on the Pleasance, with a facility for residents to place poppies and wooden crosses. In this way we hope to create a place where the community can pay their respects and remember loved ones.

To show your respect we would encourage residents to place poppies in your windows. A paper copy will be available for children to colour in. This will be available from our websites, Facebook and from the village shop.

Wreaths will be laid at the Sutton Memorial, on the Pleasance, and will be live streamed on Facebook Sutton Lane Ends. Due to COVID restrictions we are limited to only six people in attendance. We would ask that you join us in this act of remembrance by observing 2 minutes silence at your own front doors.

PLEASE DO NOT ATTEND

**PLEASE abide by local COVID restrictions and do not gather at
the memorial.**

<https://www.suttonparish.co.uk/>

<https://peakparishes.org.uk/>

The Rectory St James the Least of All



My dear Nephew Darren

Your suggestion that we should hold a sponsored hymn-singing bicycle ride through the village was well-meant, but I am not wholly convinced it would suit our clientele here at St James the Least of All.

You may have musical bike rides, but we have Bridge drives. Even with social distancing, our Bridge games are generally as amiable and peaceful as bear baiting. Half of those attending will see the afternoon as an opportunity to catch up on local gossip and to exchange knitting patterns; the game of cards being a minor hindrance to these other activities. The other half arrive primed for a battle to the death, reluctantly conceding that eye-gouging is not allowed. They will demand total silence – which is wholly ignored by those at the tables.

Refreshments have been hit hard by Covid-19 of course, and the fact that everyone has to bring their own sandwich and drink has rather spoilt the fun. Usually half our players regard lunchtime as an opportunity to put jam on the cards, spill tea on the score cards and make sure that the other tables get the egg and cress sandwiches while they corner the boiled ham; the others usually see it as an unwelcome interruption to the serious business of slaughtering their opponents.

As for drawing the raffle, it is the adult equivalent of ringing the school bell. Half the players will immediately dash off to relay seams of gossip throughout the village, leaving the others holding reproachful post-mortems with their partners over their bidding mistakes.

Reproaches are never too violent, however, since the chances are that they will all be meeting again the following afternoon round a socially distanced card table at another location, for yet another re-enactment of the slaughter at Agincourt. The only difference will be that the French and English were not entertained with tea and sandwiches at half time.

Your loving uncle,

Eustace

KEEPING IN TOUCH

- Church Stewards are contacting members of the congregation on a weekly basis.
- Our Minister together with the members of the Circuit Staff are producing worship services on line and producing a weekly newsletter. The services can be accessed on YouTube at “Macclesfield Methodist Circuit”.
- An Evening service via ZOOM at 6:30 p.m. Every Sunday - please contact a Church Steward for sign on details.

Church Stewards

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Margaret Robinson (01625 619837) Heather Self (01260 253480)

Paula Spray (01625 434742)

NEXT ISSUE

Items for the Dec/Jan 2020/21 Issue should be given to Derek McBryde by lunch time on **Saturday 21st November 2020.**

Items accepted as follows: paper copy, disc or email.

Please copy emails to both
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derek1.mcbryde@gmail.com

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