Museum Street Landseer Road Chantry

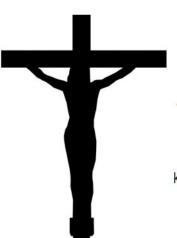
Methodist Church

Connections

It's the picture of Violence Yet the key to peace

A picture of suffering Yet the key to healing

A picture of death
Yet the key to life



A picture of utter weakness Yet the key to power

A picture of capital punishment key to mercy and forgiveness

A picture of vicious hatred Yet the key to love

A picture of supreme shame Yet the Christian's supreme boast.



July 2021 4

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends in Christ,

Summer is upon us. I hope that you have some plans to be able to enjoy the next couple of months after a difficult winter and spring. As I sit in my office writing this, the sliding door to my back garden is open and I can hear the birds calling to one another. What sign that summer has arrived do you enjoy the most?

I found some quotes about summer for you to ponder:

"We cannot stop the winter or the summer from coming. We cannot stop the spring or the fall or make them other than they are. They are gifts from the universe that we cannot refuse. But we can choose what we will contribute to life when each arrives." - Gary Zukav

"When the sun is shining, I can do anything; no mountain is too high, no trouble too difficult to overcome." - Wilma Rudolph

"What good is the warmth of summer, without the cold of winter to give it sweetness." - John Steinbeck

"I love how summer just wraps its arms around you like a warm blanket." - Kellie Elmore

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says, "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven." As COVID restrictions are lifted, and we come into the season of Stage 4, may you be filled with a new appreciation for all the things that we have been unable to do for so long. For visits from family and friends, for being able to sit and enjoy a cup of coffee with a neighbour, for the giving and receiving of a hug. We are still waiting on the rules, but I am hopeful that it will not be too long before we can once again sing at our worship services. What a joyous day that will be.

In Christ, --Pastor Joan

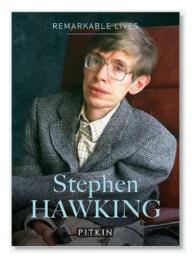
THE TRUTH OF CREATION

'In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.' (Genesis 1:1)

A growing number of educators and scientists around the world believe the Bible account of creation and are pointing us back to the truth of the words above.

Sir Fred Hoyle, professor of astronomy at Cambridge University, once said: 'The chance that higher life forms might have emerged through evolution is comparable to the chance that a tornado sweeping through a junkyard might assemble a 747 from the materials therein. 'He continues: 'The likelihood of the formation of life from inanimate matter is 1 out of 1,040,000.

Even evolutionist Stephen Hawking, one of the most respected scientists since Albert Einstein, acknowledged: 'The universe and the laws of physics seem to have been specifically designed for us. If any one of about 40 physical qualities had more than slightly different values, life as we know it could not exist; either atoms would not be stable, or they wouldn't combine into molecules, or the stars wouldn't form the heavier elements, or the universe would collapse before life could develop."



Did you know that if the earth was 10% larger or 10% smaller, life as we know it wouldn't be possible?

Or that we're just the right distance from the sun so that we receive the right amount of heat and light? If we were any farther away, we'd freeze, and if we were any closer, we wouldn't be able to survive.

Consider the amazing tilt of the axis of the earth. None of the other planets are tilted like ours at 23 degrees. This angle allows the sun's rays to touch every part of the earth's surface over the course of a year, as the earth circles the sun. If there was no tilt to the axis, the poles would accumulate enormous masses of ice, and the centre of the earth would become so hot we couldn't stand it. Like an excited parent designing a room for the arrival of their new-born child, God made this earth specifically for us.

Taken from UCB 'Word'

ANDY TAYLOR

Celebrating the life of a very special gentleman.

Andy was born in Cheddar. He then lived in Clacton and then Ipswich since 1986.
Andy was a kind-hearted, entertaining and committed Husband, Dad, Grandad and Christian. Andy had a strong faith. and was raised in the Methodist Church with his mother taking him to church. When he met and married Linda, in his 20's, and Linda was a university student, they began going together to the Church of England and then about 20 years ago,



Andy became a member at Museum Street Methodist Church.

Andy and Linda were happily married for over 45 years, had three children and 8 grandchildren.

Andy took great pleasure in his family. He was always keen to hear what his grandchildren had been up to and always happy to help at a moment's notice if one of the grandchildren needed looking after. Andy was always there to support anyone who needed it. Andy would phone his brother Freeman regularly and update him on family news.

His grandchildren have treasured memories of Andy. Emily said "my special memory with grandad is doing our funny dance together". Reuben's special memory is of fishing with his grandad (a rod may have got lost in the lake!) and Henry's is crabbing at Walberswick.

Andy also left a lasting memory with one of his daughters-in-law when he did his 'dance and song' in the middle of Sainsburys one day!!

One of Will's earliest memories related to his dad's cars. According to Will on one journey one of the car wheels went rolling down the road! Apparently, several times an outing would end with the family arriving on a low loader. Andy did in recent years thankfully get a new car and discovered trouble free journeys! On arriving in Somerset to see his brother he would always give a full run-down of the journey, back roads and all!

Andy had many sayings which have become family jokes in the nicest possible way, they involved yellow labels and telling us that the meal we were about to eat or had eaten was almost out of date; he would come out of the kitchen still testing whatever was for dinner, sinking into a chair saying "it's tough at the top". His grandchildren frequently reminded him at Christmas buffets "no double dipping grandad!"

ANDY TAYLOR

Celebrating the life of a very special gentleman.

From his days as a school teacher to his work as a volunteer Andy would always be willing to offer encouragement, patience, kindness and generosity. Linda received some amazing tributes to Andy. The same words were repeated many times which shows how much Andy touched so many lives. "Genuine, supportive, special, friend, open hearted, faithful, kind".

Apart from his family Andy was involved in and supported many groups, Family First, Mamba Martial Arts, Sporting Memories and many more.

Family First commented "Andy has been faithful and totally committed...he certainly made an impact and all who met him saw the light that shone so brightly. He will be missed".

Sporting Memories said "he really did mean an awful lot to everyone and he touched very many lives in an incredibly positive way".

Andy loved Sport and it was very important in Andy's life. It didn't matter which sport: snooker, rugby, speedway, football, probably any sport. As a young man Andy played for Cheddar football club and regularly featured in the local paper. He supported Bristol City all his life and would burst into their anthem regularly. He did defect to supporting Ipswich Town too but they couldn't match up to Bristol City!

Andy attended church faithfully almost every Sunday and he loved to sit on the front row. He never said 'No' when he was asked to read the scripture. He read on Pentecost Sunday, just a week before his death. He used to write out the scripture by hand to help him really understand what he was reading. Andy was a wonderful listener, and always remembered to ask how you were. He would attend Bible Studies and went to many of the ecumenical services, as well as the groups at Linda's church. At the time of his death, he was doing an online Bible course with a College in London. The Christian principle of Restorative Justice was very important to him. He lived out his faith through his work, and then when he retired through his volunteer work. Andy was a faithful disciple of Jesus.

Andy will be missed greatly in so many ways. For sure he has left us with many happy memories to remember him by.

May he rest in peace.

A tribute from Andy's family.

BLUE BADGE HOLDERS

Important Community News

Ipswich Hospital has introduced some new parking technology with automated number plate recognition. Parking fees and exemptions are unchanged. The new payment machines allow you to pay for parking using your bank card or cash. However, we have heard reports of blue badge holders that have received parking fines; here are the instructions to avoid a fine:



Please note that if you are a blue badge holder, you can still park for free BUT you must do a one-time registration of your badge and vehicle with the hospital.

To register your blue badge, go to the general office (formerly known as South Finance department). It is signposted on the ground floor of the hospital's south wards corridor and is opposite Bramford and Boxford wards and the Paediatric Assessment Unit. Please note that the blue badge holder must be present at the time of registering in order to confirm their photo identification. Just leave the clock part of your blue badge in your vehicle and bring the photo identification part, along with your registration number (s), to the office. You can register up to four vehicles to a blue badge and once you have registered your vehicle(s) you can park in the blue badge parking spaces free of charge and simply drive in and out of the car parks when you visit the hospital. When you park in a blue badge parking space you must clearly display your blue badge, failure to do so could lead to a penalty charge notice being issued. Blue badge holders are not permitted to park on yellow lines, hatched areas, non-marked parking bays, or on the pavements or grassed areas on our sites. The only time you need to visit the office again is if: your blue badge expires and you receive a new one, you change your vehicle, or you come to hospital in a different vehicle.

Source: https://www.esneft.nhs.uk/changes-to-parking-at-ipswich-hospital

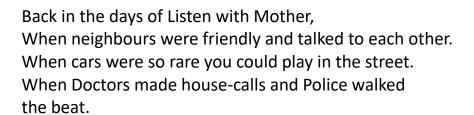
BACK IN THE DAY

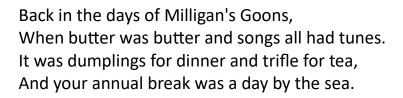
Back in the days of tanners and bobs, When Mothers had patience and Fathers had jobs. When football team families wore hand-me-down shoes, And TV gave only two channels to choose.

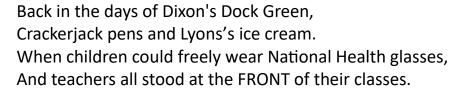
Back in the days of three-penny bits, When schools employed nurses to search for your nits. When snowballs were harmless; ice slides were permitted, And all of your jumpers were warm and hand-knitted.



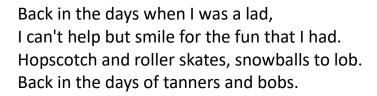
Back in the days of hot ginger beers, When children remained so for more than six years. When children respected what older folks said, And pot was a thing you kept under your bed.







Back in the days of rocking and reeling,
When mobiles were things that you hung from the ceiling.
When woodwork and pottery got taught in schools,
And everyone dreamed of a win on the pools.









WALKING WITH MICAH

Methodist Principles for Social Justice.

What does it mean for the Methodist Church to be a justice-seeking church?

We live at a time of huge change when domestic and global injustices are being revealed and intensified. How can our world be renewed so that all God's creation, people and planet, can flourish?

Our Calling as Methodists means we long for God's justice in the world. Around the globe and in their own local communities, Methodists are working for justice through responding to needs and campaigning for change.



The prophet Micah reminded people that the worship God wants is for us to act justly, to love as God loves, and to walk humbly with God. Justice-seeking has always been integral to our relationship with God.

The Walking with Micah: Methodist Principles for Social Justice project will help the Methodist Church in Britain to focus on our principles and priorities for justice and through that increase our ability to seek God's justice, as a Church and in our own Christian lives.

This two-year project will involve

- Drawing on our Methodist heritage of challenging injustice and learning from the insights and challenges of others within and beyond the Christian faith.
- Consulting widely within the Methodist Church and listening to what matters to Methodist people at this time.

Working with others to resource individuals, churches and leaders, to speak and act for justice both individually and in the name of the Methodist Church in Britain.

https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-in-britain/social-and-climate-justice/walking-with-micah/

Methodist Way of Life Study Group

Come and join us for a five-week study of the *Methodist Way of Life* led by Rev. Joan Pell.

Let us grow together as disciples of Christ.

Thursdays from 12 Noon to 1.30 p.m. at Museum Street Methodist Church

22nd & 29th July 5th, 19th & 26th August

Members from all three churches are welcome to join in. Bring your lunch with you to eat as we talk.

The first session will include Holy Communion.

So, what is a Methodist Way of Life?

A Methodist Way of Life provides a set of commitments and practices that encourage and equip people to better live a Christian life through:

> Worship Learning & Caring Service Evangelism

Find out more at https://www.methodist.org.uk/mwol/



CRANKY OLD MAN

When an old man died in the geriatric ward of a nursing home in an Australian country town, it was believed that he had nothing left of any value. Later, when the nurses were going through his meagre possessions, they found this poem. Its quality and content so impressed the staff that copies were made and distributed to every nurse in the hospital. The old man's sole bequest to posterity has since appeared in Mental Health magazines around the world. This old man, with nothing left to give to the world, is now the author of this 'anonymous' poem.



What do you see nurses? What do you see?
What are you thinking? when you're looking at me?
A cranky old man not very wise,
Uncertain of habit with faraway eyes?

Who dribbles his food and makes no reply.
When you say in a loud voice "I do wish you'd try!"
Who seems not to notice the things that you do.
And forever is losing a sock or shoe.

Who, resisting or not lets you do as you will, With bathing and feeding the long day to fill. Is that what you're thinking? Is that what you see? Then open your eyes, nurse you're not looking at me.

I'll tell you who I am as I sit here so still, As I do at your bidding as I eat at your will. I'm a small child of Ten with a father and mother, Brothers and sisters who love one another.

A young boy of Sixteen with wings on his feet, Dreaming that soon now a lover he'll meet. A groom soon at Twenty my heart gives a leap. Remembering, the vows that I promised to keep.

At Twenty-Five, now I have young of my own.
Who need me to guide and a secure happy home.
A man of Thirty my young now grown fast,
Bound to each other with ties that should last.

At Forty, my young sons have grown and are gone, But my woman is beside me to see I don't mourn. At Fifty, once more babies play 'round my knee, Again, we know children my loved one and me.

Dark days are upon me my wife is now dead.
I look at the future I shudder with dread.
For my young are all rearing young of their own.
And I think of the years and the love that I've known.

I'm now an old man and nature is cruel.

It's jest to make old age look like a fool.

The body, it crumbles grace and vigour, depart.

There is now a stone where I once had a heart.

But inside this old carcass a young man still dwells, And now and again my battered heart swells, I remember the joys I remember the pain. And I'm loving and living life over again.

I think of the years, all too few gone too fast.
And accept the stark fact that nothing can last.
So, open your eyes, people open and see.
Not a cranky old man
Look closer See ME!!

Copied from "Ageing People Matter" @retirement-online.com

BELLS ON SUNDAY

David Howlett talks about his love of Bells.

Very early on every Sunday morning (5.45 am) the BBC Radio 4 broadcast two minutes of church bells, from various towers from around Britain and occasionally from abroad - yes Australia, New Zealand, Canada and America have them! We are told we are hearing "Bob Majors" and "Stedman Triples" but to me they all sound the same - a cacophony of noise. Maybe it's because I play one or two instruments, and am used to hearing, playing and am able to hum a tune, that I don't understand the appeal of church bells. Other than hand bells or a carillon I've never heard a recognisable tune from a pealing church tower.

However, I must not be unfair and prejudge before delving a little deeper and dismissing an occupation which appeals to thousands of devoted enthusiasts. My goodness doesn't it go deep and technical!

I firstly learnt that the people who ring bells are Ringers not campanologists. Campanology is the study of bells. It encompasses the technology of bells – how they are cast, tuned, rung, and sounded – as well as the history, methods, and traditions of bell-ringing as an art.

The ringing of bells goes back thousands of years. In 975 the Archbishop of Canterbury made it compulsory for all churches to have a bell. In that time well before clocks, they were used to call people, to wake them, to call to pray, to celebrate, to call to arms and come together in times of crisis.

The peals we hear today evolved mainly in the sixteenth century when churches commenced to have more than one bell. The Society of Ringers was launched in 1612. By the mid sixteen-hundreds "Change Ringing" developed, and in 1668 the first book of changes was published. This was followed in 1677 by a second book of changes, published by Stedman - a name synonymous with peals we still hear today. What is a "change" I hear you say! Change ringing is very mathematical and involves permutations.

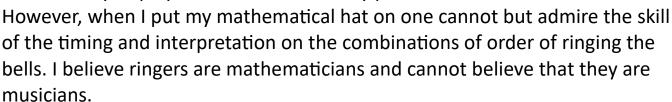
If you have two bells you can ring number one first then number two, alternatively you can ring number two first then number one. If you have three bells there are six orders you can ring the bells. There are three choices for the first bell to ring leaving two choices for the second bell to ring and just the one left for the third to ring - 3x2x1 = 6. (written by mathematicians as 3! And called Factorial 3). They are (1,2,3) then (1,3,2) then (2,1,3) then (2,3,1) then (3,1,2) then (3,2,1). It gets more complicated the greater number of bells.

BELLS ON SUNDAY

David Howlett talks

With one ringer per church bell, probably the largest extent that is humanly possible is an extent on eight bells. This has apparently been achieved only once, at the Loughborough Bell Foundry in 1963. The ringing began at 6.52am on July 27, and finished at 12.50am on July 28, after 40,320 changes and 17 hours 58 minutes of continuous ringing, and an unknown number of complaints to the police!

Having a love of both music and mathematics what can I conclude? I can honestly say that I do not enjoy the sound of pealing church bells, but find hand bell ringing, because of the ability to play chords and tunes very pleasant.



The following table indicates the numbers of changes in extents on varying numbers of bells, and the approximate time needed to ring them. The names are those commonly used by bell ringers to denote the various sequences. For example, our 4-bell extent above is known as Plain Bob Minimus. It is also possible to ring Plain Bob Doubles (on five bells), Plain Bob Minor (on six bells) and so on, each with the same basic structure as Plain Bob Minimus. Other sequences that you may hear have names as Reverse Canterbury Pleasure Place Doubles, Grandsire Triples, and Cambridge Surprise Major.

Number of Bells	Name	Changes in extent	Time required
3	Singles	6	12 seconds
4	Minimus	24	48 seconds
5	Doubles	120	4 minutes
6	Minor	720	24 minutes
7	Triples	5040	2 hours 48 minutes
8	Major	40320	22 hours 24 minutes
9	Caters	3628800	8 days 10 hours
10	Royal	3628800	84 days
11	Cinques	399168000	2 years 194 days
12	Maximus	479001600	30 years 138 days
16		20922789888000	1326914 years

PUZZLE PAGE

All about EVE.

Can you find the word that fits the description below. Each answer contains the letters "EVE"

1. Close of day	11. Mints		
2. Part of a coat	12. Smart Alec		
3. English river	13. Put a stop to		
4. Hot or cold drink	14. Cotswold Town		
5. Clerical person	15. More than one		
6. At last	16. To accept as true		
7. Go back	17. Strict		
8. Double glazing	18. Grow up		
9. Flat	19. Get your own back		
10. First woman on Earth	20. Hot illness		

How did you do? The answers are on page 20

BROADBAND PROBLEMS?

If you need an answer; help is not far away.

I recently purchased a CCTV camera for the front of my house but had difficulty in setting it up to my network.

I contacted the company below and received a great service. The camera is now working wonderfully well and storing images on my computer.

Mike Parker



FIND OUT——WHATS GOING ON



Landseer Road

Landseer Road, Ipswich IP3 9LX https://landseer.methodistic.org.uk facebook.com/landseerroadmethodistchurch



Current activity can be located on the website at https://landseer.methodistic.org.uk/



Museum Street

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More details can be seen on the website at https://museumstreet.org.uk



Chantry

Kingfisher Avenue, Ipswich, IP2 OQN https://chantry.methodistic.org.uk facebook.com/chantrymethodist



More details can be seen on the website at https://chantry.methodistic.org.uk/

- Tuesday Ipswich Methodist Messy Craft and Chat at 4 p.m. at Chantry Library (now online)
- Friday Youth Group currently meeting on Zoom at 7 p.m.



Francesca & Wilma's Confirmation at Chantry



Get-Together



In the garden of Landseer Road Methodist Church

Our Joint Barbeque is going ahead and will follow Stage 3 COVID Rules, serving meat & vegetarian burgers & sausages, salad and dessert.

Felixstowe Worship Band will lead us in some (outside) singing.

Tickets are available for a suggested donation of £5 each from Chantry: Francis Rokobuli.

Landseer Road: Linda Rachel.

Museum Street: Kath Calvesbert.

Any profit will go to FIND.



Join us for the monthly Contemporary Worship Service on Sunday 4th July at 6 p.m. in the garden at Landseer Road Methodist Church.

Rev Diane Smith and the Felixstowe Worship band will be leading this service of celebration, focusing on the good things that have come out of the last 15 months.

The garden at Landseer Road is very large and there is ample room for all to spread out – there will be chairs available but if you do have your own, that you want to bring along, then please do so we have enough for everybody.

This service was originally scheduled to be held at Trinity in Felixstowe but due to the latest change in Covid regulations it is moving to an outside service so that everyone will be able to sing and worship the Lord together.

Museum Street AGM & Lunch Sunday 1st August After Worship

Lunch arrangements to be advised later this month.

FANCY A PICNIC

Kirton Church make Cake. Why not visit and see what it's like?



The garden at Kirton Methodist Church will be open on Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. throughout the summer. If you are looking for a quiet, safe place to spend some time, then perhaps this would be a good spot for you. Enjoy a free cup of tea or coffee and homemade cake that will be served to you at your table. You are welcome to bring your own picnic with you to eat in the garden. The village green will be open for car parking. The toilet, which is disabled accessible, will also be open.

PRAYERS

Please remember in your prayers those who have suffered bereavement.

Comfort the families and friends who grieve.

We particularly think of those who are ill and especially those known to us.



We ask that they will soon be restored to full health.

We particularly think of those who have worries and anxieties.

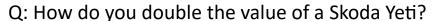
Give them peace and comfort in the knowledge that you are close to them.

May they know of your nearness to them.

MY SKODA YETI

I am the owner of a Skoda Yeti motor car.

To own a car like a Skoda, you have to be able to "Take a Joke"!



- A: Fill the tank with petrol.
- Q: What do you call a Skoda Yeti at the top of a Hill?
- A: A Miracle.
- Q: What goes on back-page of the Skoda Yeti's user manual?
- A: The train & bus timetable.
- Q: What do you call a Skoda Yeti with dual exhausts?
- A: A wheelbarrow.
- Q: What is the Skoda Yeti owner's most ardent wish?
- A: To buy a real car.
- Q: What do you call a Skoda Yeti with a seat belt?
- A: A rucksack.
- Q: What do you call a Skoda Yeti with 200,000 miles on the speedometer?
- A: A lie.
- Q: Why are Skoda Yeti dealers giving away a dog with each Skoda sold?
- A: So the owner has a companion to walk home with.
- Q: Do you know why a Skoda Yeti has heated rear windows?
- A: So, when you're pushing it home in the winter your hands stay warm.
- Q: What did the Toyota say to the Skoda on the side of the road?
- A: Rust-in-peace.
- Q: How do you make a Skoda go faster downhill?
- A: Turn off the engine.
- Q: What's the difference between a golf ball and a Skoda?
- A: A golf ball can be driven 300 yards.
- Q: What is the difference between a Skoda and a shopping trolley?
- A: A shopping trolley is much easier to push.
- Q: What do the new speed limit signs say on our suburban roads?
- A: Max speed 60 km/h Skoda's do the best you can.

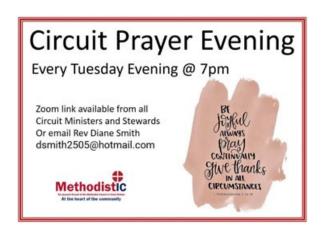
According to a new poll 91 percent of people are satisfied with their lives. The other 9 percent own a Skoda.



SUNDAY SERVICE'S IN JULY

	Museum Street	<u>Chantry</u>	<u>Landseer Road</u>	<u>Video Service</u>
4th July	Chris Finbow	David Welbourn	Video Service	Mike Cassidy
11th July	David Welbourn	Rev Joan Pell	Rev Joan Pell	Rev Joan Pell
18th July	Rev Joan Pell*	Video Service	TBA	Rev Diane Smith
25th July	Colin Westren	*Rev Joan Pell	*Rev Joan Pell	David Welbourn

^{*} Communion Service



Quiz answers:						
1. Evening	6. Eventually	11. Everton	16. Believe			
2. Sleeve	7. Reverse	12. Clever Dick	17. Severe			
3. Severn	8. Everest	13. Prevent	18. Develop			
4. Beverage	9. Level	14. Evesham	19. Revenge			
5. Reverend	10. Eve	15. Several	20. Fever			

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