

Weekly update 170226:

Message from Carol Lamb: "The next collection for the Foodbank will take place on **Sunday 22nd February**. The items most needed at the moment are tinned potatoes, tinned meat and instant coffee."

Message from Sue Nicol: "**Fund-raising!** The fund-raising team invite anyone who is interested in joining them to their next meeting, on **Thursday 19th February at 2pm** in the church hall. This is a small, informal group who plan and organise our fund raising for the building development project – it's fun and rewarding in social and financial ways! We would love to see some new faces and hear some new ideas, so please consider coming along. For further information speak to Glenda Clark (secretary) or Sue Nicol (chair)."

Message from Clare from Cartmel Quakers: "Everyone is very welcome to join a 30-minute silent Peace Meeting at **Cartmel Meeting House on Friday 27 February**, starting at 10:30 am. Followed by refreshments and time for sharing."

Thanks to everyone who came to the Ceilidh on Saturday. A very enjoyable evening was had by the 30+ people who came, and just over £300 was raised for the development fund. The Auction of Promises is next, on March 20th – full details were in the February Mustard Seed. Please add your promise offer to the list at church, if you haven't done so already. The closing date for offers is **Sunday 8th March**.

Regular weekly activities at Grange, all in the church hall: Toast Church meets from 9:00am on term-time Sundays, Baby group meets from 9:30am on Tuesdays, and the Wednesday community coffee morning is from 10:30 to noon.

The February mid-week communion service will be at 10:00am on **Wednesday, February 18th**, led by Rev Hayley Edmondson. As this is **Ash Wednesday**, Hayley says the service will include the opportunity to be marked with ash as a sign of repentance and as a reminder of your Baptism.

The church craft group will meet at the home of Fiona Boorman (17 Highfield Road) from 7:00pm on **Wednesday, February 18th**. Call 07731 392259 (Fiona) for more information.

Cartmel Church Council meets at the chapel at 11:00am on **Friday, February 20th**.

The Churches Together Lent Lunches start this week. Each Friday in Lent, there will be a Soup Lunch at 12:00 noon, followed by a short devotional time at 1:00pm. Donations will be given to the Cartmel Peninsula Churches Together Youth Trust – find out more about this work by coming to the lunch! On **Friday, February 20th** the venue is St Mary's, Allithwaite, then we are hosting at Grange Methodist church on February 27th.

For those who are booked in, remember it's the Cumbria Compass workshop in Ulverston on **Saturday, February 21st**, led by Rev Hayley Edmondson. Do remember this gathering in your prayers.

Sunday services: **Grange**: The service at 10:30am on **Sunday, February 22nd** will be led by Rev Hayley Edmondson and will include Holy Communion. The service on March 1st will be led by Rev David Edmondson. That evening there will be a reflective service at 6:00pm, led by David and Hazel Edmondson. **Cartmel**: The service at 11:00am on **Sunday, February 22nd** will be led by Mrs Hazel Edmondson. The service on March 1st will also be led by Mrs Hazel Edmondson.

All are invited to share in the Churches Together Lent Quiet morning at Grange Methodist church on **Saturday, February 28th** on the theme "Chosen by God". Come to the church hall from 9:30 for coffee, then at 10:00 Rev Sue Nicol will lead us in worship and into a time of guided quiet reflection, leading to a service of Holy Communion together, finishing by 12:00. Bring a packed lunch if you'd like to stay on for further fellowship – hot drinks will be provided.

All are welcome to share worship and fellowship in the URC hall from 10:30 on Thursday mornings. The speakers will be: February 19th Rev Kate Hunt, February 26th David and Hazel Edmondson.

The deadline for the March Mustard Seed, which will go out on March 3rd, is **Sunday, March 1st**. Please send items for it or for this update to me (edmola11@yahoo.co.uk or 36213). Thanks, Hazel