

# Crediton

## Methodist Church



## Weekly Notices

Working out God's love in Crediton

### Sunday 29th June

10.30am Morning Service in Church led by  
Rev David Greenwood

Hymns: StF692 Your hand, O God, has guided

StF639 Through the love of God

StF696 For the healing of the nations

StF638 Through all the changing scenes of life

Stf8 God with us, Creator, Father

Readings: Psalm 77 v 1-10

" " v 11-20

Romans 8 v 31-39

or join the service from 10:00am on your computer  
or mobile app with Worship on the Web

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

or call in (audio only) - 020 4526 8593

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Dear Friends,

'For the love of baking since 1919', so says the strapline of an excellent firm of bakers in Fife that we came across recently. Their baking is truly amazing, especially their range of pies. Scotch pies, macaroni pies, steak pies, baked bean pies (yes, really!) . . . and more besides. We know they are very good because we felt it our duty to sample many of them, for the purposes of research of course.



According to recent statistical evidence, 75% of the British population eat a pie at least once a month, and the pie industry as a whole is worth around £1.2 billion annually. It is thought that the ancient Egyptians were the original inventors of the pie, a masterful piece of gastronomical engineering. It is food with a lid you can eat, and edible sides and bottom too.

Pies are clearly thought of as very important by our government for there is even a Minister responsible for pies. That is, the Pie Minister.

When offered a pie one day, a man replied "Cut my pie into four pieces, I don't think I could eat eight". Which reminds me that sometimes we hear people talk about 'how big a slice they may have of the pie'. This is of course a metaphor for a division of the spoils, which dates from the late 1800s, but also reminds us that the pie is finite and the bigger the slice that one person has, the less there is for everyone else.

There is a great quote by Maya Angelou about pies. She said, "*In all my work, I try to say – You may be given a load of sour lemons, why not try to make a dozen lemon meringue pies?*"

But whilst musing on the subject of pies, I wondered if the pie has any mention in the Bible. The answer is yes, in Eugene Peterson's 'The Message' contemporary version. Matthew 16v28 says this: '*Before you know it the Son of Man will arrive with all the splendour of his Father, accompanied by an army of angels. You'll get everything you have coming to you, a personal gift. This isn't pie in the sky by and by.*'

Yes, we have a wonderful future to look forward to. Jesus is coming back for us one day and we may live for ever in His presence, when our lives here are complete. This is His wonderful gift. The gospel writer Matthew wanted us to be in no doubt that this is a sure and certain hope. On that note, I'll put my pen away and say, "*Pie for now*". Cathy

**FRIDAY FOCUS** - 4th July at 2.30p.m.

'Can't beat a retreat'. Do come along to hear about Christian retreats and enjoy a chat over a cup of tea and cake.

### **COFFEE and CHAT**

There is a new rota sheet at the back of the Church for July to December for our Friday Coffee & Chat sessions.

I am hoping for more volunteers to help with these sessions particularly during the summer and early autumn months when several of our regular helpers will be away on holiday. If you can offer the occasional Friday to cover a session, please add your name to the rota sheet. For safeguarding reason, we need two volunteers for each session. There is a serious possibility that, without a larger pool of volunteers, these sessions may have to end. *John Ashley*

## **AWAY DAY TO BUDLEIGH**

SAT 12th JULY 10 am.- 4.00 p.m.

***Venue: Temple Methodist Church,***

***Budleigh Salterton, Fore Street, EX9 6NG.***

**Timing: 10.00 a.m. onwards – coffee, welcome & introduction  
from a member of Temple Church.**

**11 a.m. Ben Haslam & Barbara Greenwood**

**12.30 p.m. Lunch break (bring a packed lunch)**

**1.30 p.m. Afternoon walk by the sea and along the estuary  
or relax/chat/crafts.**

**3.00 p.m. Tea break - 3.30 p.m. Closing session led by Ben.**

**Parking: Limited at the church. Large, free car park in Station  
Road EX9 6RW (turn left at the traffic lights when you come into  
Budleigh and it's on the left).**

**AWAY DAY** Please sign the list at the back of the church if you are able to come and indicate if you can offer or would like a lift.

Week beginning Saturday 28th June		
Sat 28th June	10:00-11:30 am	Together 4 Coffee donations for All
Sun 29th June	10:30 am	Worship in church or on the Web led by Rev David Greenwood
Mon 30th June	8:00am	Start the week in prayer in church or wherever you are
	3:30—5:00pm	Big Top
Wed 2nd July	10:30am	3Ls Discipleship
Fri 4th July	10:00 -12:00pm	Coffee and Chat
	2:30pm	Friday Focus
Sat 5th July	10:00 -11:30 am	Together 4 Coffee donations for Church Funds
Sun 6th July	10:30 am	Café Church in the Church or on the web led by Rev Jeanette Richardson

## DIARY DATES

Saturday 12th July - "Away Day " to Budleigh Salterton

Sunday 20th July 4.30pm. Circuit Farewell Service for Rev Ben at Wonford MC

Sunday 27th July 10:30am Rev Ben's last service at Crediton.

Followed by a Church Lunch.

## CREDITON FOODBANK requests this week:

Small jars of coffee, Cartons of long life juice, Tinned ravioli, tuna, meat meals (hot dogs, meatballs, stew, chicken in white sauce), soup and pulses. Instant hot chocolate

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