

Driffield-Hornsea Methodist Circuit Newsletter May 2023



Dear Friends...

This month we celebrate one of the most important Christian Festivals which is Pentecost (Sunday 28th May) when we are reminded of the coming of the Holy Spirit upon those dispirited broken disciples who are filled with life, joy, and hope. There are many meanings of the importance of the Holy Spirit and one of those is 'the spirit of God reveals the truth about Jesus'. Have you ever seen a 'Jesus block'? It's a wood on which 'Jesus' is put in relief, so it's not immediately apparent what it says. I remember the first time I saw one of those on the mantel piece of a church member. I could not read it at first—but then I got it. It was easy! How did I not see it before? Of course, it says 'Jesus'. Now that is what the Holy Spirit does for us. It reveals Jesus. C.H Spurgeon, the great 19th century Baptist preacher at London's Metropolitan Tabernacle at the Elephant and Castle, said about the Holy Spirit, 'Behold I saw a dove come from heaven and it alighted upon my shoulder. I turned to look at the dove....so it flew away.' Why did the dove fly away? Because in looking at the dove you'd taken your eyes from Jesus. The Holy Spirit reveals the truth about Jesus. If we get too interested in the Holy Spirit, in terms of gifts and charisms, by seeking them for their own sake, or to be thought super-spiritual or especially gifted, then the dove flies away. The scripture says in effect, 'I'm not here to be the focus of attention. I'm here to point you to him.' The Holy Spirit reveals who Jesus is and glorifies him. Will we continue to let the Spirit come to us and work in this way? I hope we will be able to say, 'Come, Holy Spirit.'

Every blessing

Richard

Rev Dr Richard Teal

The next circuit newsletter will be issued on Sunday 28th May. Please send any items for inclusion by **Tuesday 23rd May**.

Events around the Circuit:

Coronation Events

New Ellerby Saturday 6th May 10.00am Coronation Coffee Morning

Hutton Cranswick Saturday 6th May

5.00pm "Ring for the King" fundraising event

Hornsea Saturday 6th May

6.00pm Civic Service at St Nicholas Church

Driffield Monday 8th May 10.00am Coronation Brunch

Beeford Chapel Anniversary

Sunday 7th May 10.30am Anniversary Service – Deacon Jackie Fowler

Thursday 11th May 7.00pm 'A Pilgrim in the Holy Land' - Deacon Jackie sharing some

reflections from her trip to Israel-Palestine.

Followed by a light supper.

Lund Chapel Anniversary

Sunday 14th May 6.00pm Chapel Anniversary Service – Revd Keith Himsworth

Weds 17th May 7.00pm Filey Fishermans Concert

Coffee mornings & Bacon Butties!

Aldbrough: Saturday 13th May 10.00am (and every second Saturday in the month)

Nafferton: Saturday 13th May 10.00am Coffee morning with Bric-a-Brac, Baking and Raffle

The Wolds: Weds 17th May 10.30am Coffee Morning

Driffield: every Saturday 10.00am **Hornsea:** every Saturday 10.00am **Lund:** every Tuesday 10.30am **Leven:** every Wednesday 10.00am

Beeford: Bacon Butties 10.00am Saturdays 13th & 27th May (and every 2nd & 4th Saturdays)

Advance notice!

Nafferton

3rd June 10.00am

Open day to view the refurbished and remodelled Church

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