



Southside Methodist Church

May 2021



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Sharing Jesus – in challenging times

We plan to return to the church for services from Sunday 9th May 2021

Southside		
Services/Prayers	Location	Details
Think Sunday 2 nd May 09:15 am	Facebook live	Reflection led by Janet Rich accessible through Facebook
Morning Worship Sunday 2 nd May 10:30 am		Led by the new Minister Reverend Vivienne Smith
Think Sunday 9 th May 09:15 am	Facebook live	Reflection led by Janet Rich accessible through Facebook
1st Service back in church Sunday 9 th May 10:30 am	In Church	Morning Worship Led by Ian Cornall
Sunday 16 th May 9:15 am	Facebook live	“Think” Reflection led by Janet Rich accessible through Facebook
Sunday 16 th May 10:30 am	In Church	Morning Worship Led by Bridget Spencer
Pentecost Sunday 23 rd May 9:15 am	Facebook live	“Think” Reflection led by Janet Rich accessible through Facebook
Sunday 23 rd May 10:30 am	In Church	Morning Worship Led by Alan Newcombe
Trinity Sunday Sunday 30 th May 09:15 am	Facebook live	Morning Worship Led by Reverend Vivienne Smith
Peterborough Methodist Circuit Livestream		
Services/Prayers	Location	Details
Circuit Livestream Service 10:30 am Every Sunday Morning and Circuit Morning prayers Monday to Thursdays Mornings at 8:30 am	Both Online	Led by Reverend Langley Mackrell-Hey, Revd Dale Sherriff or Matt Forsyth on Facebook or YouTube https://www.facebook.com/peterboroughmethodistcircuit/ https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCtSr6Y6_lvn2H_0FCaByeHg See links on home page of the Circuit Website https://www.peterboroughmethodistcircuit.org/

Find out more about Southside Methodist Church on our website:

www.southsidemethodistchurch.org.uk



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www.peterboroughmethodistcircuit.org

For more information on the Methodist Church nationally visit www.methodist.org.uk

Notices

Hi folks

We are happy to be welcoming Rev Viv to our church. Her first service with us will be on the 2nd May but Rev Viv will be on zoom because she has not been vaccinated so our first service in our building will be on the 9th May, (unless anything changes between now and then).

We will, however, be taking some tentative steps with our groups in the previous week. You may be assured that we are approaching this with Covid safety and the current regulations very much at the front of our minds. This means that the groups' experience will be very different but we have to start somewhere.

We look forward to being together as soon as we are able to do so safely.

Love and blessings - Janet

From our new Minister ...

Dear Friends,

Greetings! My name is **Reverend Vivienne Smith (or Viv if you prefer)** and I'm delighted to say that I'm the new minister at Southside and I'm so looking forward to been able to meet you in person.

But in the meantime, just a little about me.

- If you find yourself wondering what the accent is, I grew up in the East Riding of Yorkshire, near Hornsea.
- My dad was a dairy farmer and so you'll be hearing many stories about cows, and farming life in general, over the coming months / years.
- I married Luke in 1990. He is also a minister. In September he is starting his new appointment in the South Holland circuit. He will be living with me though in the Fleming Court Manse.
- We have two children, Laura who lives in Coates and Vanessa who lives in Flint, North Wales. Laura is married to Jamie and we have two grandchildren, Joshua and Noah.
- We have a dog, Henry, who we love very much.
- What do I like? Laughter. I find it medicinal. And music! I cannot imagine life without it.
- What don't I like? That's a really difficult one to answer. Egg white! Yuk!

So, there you have it, a little about me.

I cannot tell you how much I'm looking forward to finding out a little about you.

June 2021 Newsletter

If you have anything you would like published in the June edition, please can you e-mail:

southsidenewsletter@virginmedia.com

by Midnight Sunday 23rd May

Please also use this e-mail address if you would like to be added to the mailing list.

Thank you (Ed)

Would you like someone to pray for you?

Please phone or text:

**Southside Methodist Church
Prayer Hotline: 07506 893786**

If nobody answers please leave a message
and someone will get back to you.

Primulas

You may remember my recalling being at the right place at the right time, as city gardeners removed pansies from the park beds. For two years they featured in our early planting. Since the pandemic began the city planting has been greatly reduced, so no "throw aways" this year. So, I began my search for specimen pansies to feature once again...But my shopping cart made an emergency stop, bringing my search to an abrupt end.

In front of me was a stunning display of outstanding primulas. They looked so strong with vivid colours, so adjustments were made to my planting plans. Being large only a handful were needed to begin developing an impact. Pansies were relegated to a support role, planted around them.

By the notice board you can see the variegated euonymus in the process of a serious pruning. Being a slow grower, it only requires light trimming to shape. But over the years even a slow grower can make a lot of growth. It was starting to obscure the notice board and encroach over the wall.



Previous years I have not planted early colour in the rear garden, as it

is a less visible area. But this year is different. This is the year we return to worship in our church. I feel it is appropriate we embellish this sacred edifice in celebration.

Not sure of the colour of the front plant. Apricot maybe? One hopes it contrasts with the darker plants while subtly blending in.

Spaces have been left for geraniums to slot in later. The cuttings are well rooted and should be ready to join the party in a couple of months.



C. D.

I don't know if you have heard but a volcano has erupted devastating St Vincent and the Grenadines and leaving many people destitute.

At the Millennium Centre in Dickens Street they are collecting, clothes, shoes, bedding, toiletries... in fact almost anything to send out to help. The centre is open from 12 noon daily. As charity shops in this country are currently inundated with donations, I would encourage you to support this worthwhile cause. They have already shipped out one container of goods but more is desperately needed. Please help if you can.

If you do not have transport to deliver donations to the centre I could probably help!

Thanks

Sue