

OTHER NOTICES ...

A £30,000 funding bid has been sent off to the Foyle Foundation this week. Your prayers would be appreciated to support this, to be looked on favourably. Currently, we have raised over £100,000 towards the goal of £180,000 so this bid will move us on significantly towards this goal.

We have recently seen some greatly encouraging initiatives which have brought more people through our doors, such as Little Lambs, our Baby and Toddler Group which is attracting up to over 40 adults and children per week. Through their donations we have already been able to donate £100 to church funds. This is allowing us to develop new and deeper relationships with those in our community and to let them know that Lidgett is a place where they are welcomed, cared for and supported. The Community Café continues to be a place where people feel a real sense of belonging, we now have a team from City of York Council's Adult Social Care coming in to see people, and we will soon also be joined by Citizen's Advice Bureau, as well as our other regulars. Vocal Flourish and Friday Nourish continue to provide a safe and caring environment for people to find friendship and support.

The Greatest Commandment (Matthew 22:37-40): *"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind". This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it "You shall love your neighbour as yourself". On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.*

The redevelopment work will allow us to welcome even more of our neighbours and show God's love to them as our space and facilities increase.

"Waiting in Wonder"

Thy kingdom come is a global initiative in which Christians are called to pray for the nine days between Ascension and Pentecost. We are invited to pray for God's Spirit to move within the church, equipping us to share God's love with others and to pay attention to how God is speaking to us today. You can pledge to pray at www.thykingdomcome.global. The Methodist Church has produced prayer booklets and prayer cards to be used to facilitate this, if you would like to get involved please see Anna or Lin.

Last weekend 250 Methodist women met to consider the theme **Oceans of Justice, Rivers of Fairness**. Rachel Lampard led discussions around hunger in the UK and those attending were invited to personalise a napkin with an embroidered



message for their MPs regarding these issues, as a napkin is a symbol of a good meal—the kind of meal we would like *everyone* to be able to share.

Rosamond Carter



Congratulations to the Lidgett Scouts who won the Ebor trophy for best turned out group at last weekend's St George's day parade.



Sunday 13th May - our Church **AGM** following the morning service.

Saturday 19th May 9.30am-10.30am - **A Quiet Hour** time of worship here at Lidgett. See details on noticeboard.

Saturday 19th May - MWiB Area Day at Central Methodist Church PLEASE NOTE THIS HAS BEEN POSTPONED BECAUSE OF THE ROYAL WEDDING.

Saturday 14th July - Circuit Celebration at Manor School 2.00pm-5.30pm, further details on the notice board.

Sunday 27th May 6.30pm - launch service at Trinity Methodist church, for our **Bible Month on Jonah**.

HOSEPIPES!



Well the bad news is that our lovely summer weather of the other week didn't last as long as we'd like, however, the good news is that thanks to your generous donations, we do now have enough hosepipes to cope with the **scorching** summer to come (if only!). Thank you so much.

Fiona, Robyn and John are going to be cycling from York Minster to Beverley Minster and back on Saturday 2nd June in order to raise funds for our church - all donations/sponsorship would be very welcome. *Thank you.*



Very many thanks to those who have contributed to world and home missions by putting small amounts regularly into boxes at home throughout the year. When emptied, these amounted to: World Mission Boxes—£96.80; Home Mission Boxes— £103.20. A cheque for the total of £200.00 has been given to Paul Hudson, the York Circuit Missions Treasurer. *Many thanks to you all, Brenda Stamper.*

Please do have a look at the new notices on our Church notice board, which are updated weekly