



Pet Service

St Andrew's

Tuesday 17th June

See inside for details

Praying for the people of Cowling each week

Please let us know of any prayer requests.

W.b.

Jun 8 Woodland St, Gibb St, Queen Square

Jun 15 Park Road, Scar View, Royd St

Jun 22 Acre Meadow, Laycock Fields , all homes on Keighley Rd & Colne Rd

Jun 29 Pinnacle View, Old Oakworth Rd & outlying homesteads

Jul 6 Winkholme, Middleton, Ickornshaw, Nan Scar, Park Lane, Lumb Lane

Jul 13 Stone Head Lane, Warley Wisw Lane & surrounding dwellings

Jul 20 Sandyforth Lane, Reedshaw Moss

Jul 27 Lane Ends Estate, Wainman's Close, Bannister Walk, Dick Lane, Earl

Aug 3 Crag View, Old Saw Mill, Lane Ends Lane and farms

Aug 10 Cowling Hill Lane, Tom Lane & outlying areas

Aug 17 Low Lane (Norwood), Long Lane & all surrounding dwellings

Aug 24 Collinge Road, Lingrag Gardens, Mill Croft

Aug 31 Springwell Close, Green St. Hartley Place, Spring Gardens, Walton St,
Cross St. Queen St

Sep 7 Sun St, Manor Park, Fold Lane

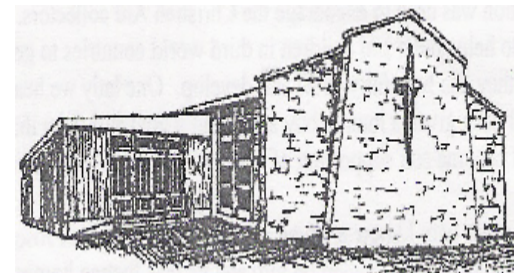
Sep 14 Woodland St, Gibb St, Queen Square

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Churches Together in Cowling



A Friend for All Seasons

The One in Sorrow

Let me come in where you are weeping, friend,
And let me take your hand.
I, who have known a sorrow such as yours,
Can understand.
Let me come in – I would be very still
Beside you in your grief;
I would not bid you cease your weeping, friend,
Tears bring relief.
Let me come in – I would only breathe a prayer,
And hold your hand,
For I have known a sorrow such as yours,
And understand.

By Grace Noll Crowell



Then Laugh

Build for yourself a strong box,
Fashion each part with care;
When it's strong as your hand can make it,
Put all your troubles there;
Hide there all thought of your failures,
And each bitter cup that you quaff;
Lock all your heartaches within it,
Then sit on the lid and laugh.

Tell no one else its contents,
Never its secrets share;
When you've dropped in your care and worry
Keep them forever there;
Hide them from sight completely
That the world will never dream half;
Fasten the strong box securely –
Then sit on the lid and laugh.

By Bertha Adams Backus



free will, and therefore we need to take responsibility for the decisions we make. God said: 'I set before you life and death, choose life'. Life stands for new beginnings and new beginnings go hand in hand with the unknown.

Human beings are creatures of habit and the unknown is often a scary place. The unknown makes us feel vulnerable. However, this vulnerability is the precious seed, the cornerstone, the jewel in our relationship with the divine, as it demands total trust in God.

So perhaps, when the spring rain gently touches your face, return to God in your thoughts, imagining that your soul is washed clean. And when the summer sun warms your heart and draws you to new life, perhaps return to God in your thoughts and, inspired and engulfed by his light, draw close to him and let God fulfil his dream for your life.

With love
Charlotte



Older members of our church will be interested to learn that one of our former scholars, Mrs Janet Ladds, has been admitted to the office and ministry of a local preacher.

The event took place at a circuit service held at the Trinity Centre in South West Cumbria.

Her parents, Mr and Mrs Dean Smith, are very proud of her commitment to her church and her work with young people. Janet pays tribute to Miss Ethel Smith's influence on her and other young people in encouraging their Bible studies and Christian faith. It is good to see it bearing fruit now,

Catherine Smith

Some Perspective

(from an email circulated in 2005)

If we reduce the population of the Earth to a small town with 100 people and keep the proportions it will look like this:

57 Asians	21 Europeans
14 Americans (north and south)	8 Africans
52 women	48 men
70 coloured skins	30 Caucasians
6 people would own 59% of the whole world wealth and all of them would be from the USA	
80 would have bad living conditions	70 will be uneducated
50 will be underfed	1 would die
2 would be born	1 will have a computer
1 (only one) will have higher education	

If you look at the world from this point of view, you will see that there is a big need for solidarity, understanding, patience and education

Also think about the following:

If you have never suffered a war,
The loneliness of the jail cell,
The agony of torture,
Or hunger,

You are happier than 500 million people in the world.

If you can enter into a church (mosque) without fear of jail or death, you are happier than 3 million people in the world.

If there is food in your fridge,
You have shoes and clothes,
You have a bed and a roof,

You are richer than 75% of the people

If you have a bank account, money in your wallet and some coins in the money box

You belong to the 8% of the people of the world who are well-to-do

“Work, as if you don’t need money,
Love, as if nobody can hurt you
Dance, as if nobody can see you
Sing, as if nobody can hear you
Live, as if Earth was a heaven”

If you like, send this to people you call friends.
If you don’t, nothing will happen.

If you send it—somebody will smile



What's on

Holy Trinity

1st Sunday Holy Communion (Traditional)
at 9.30 Without music

2nd Sunday Holy Communion (Modern)
at 9.30 With music (sometimes baptisms)

3rd Sunday Holy Communion (Modern)
at 9.30 With music
Alternating with St Andrew's

4th Sunday Holy Communion (Modern)
at 9.30 Without music

5th Sunday Joint benefice service rotating between Cowling (9.30), Sutton (10.30) and Lothersdale (10.00 a.m.)

Mothers Union

First Monday of the month at 7.30

St Andrew's

All Age Worship every Sunday at 10.30

3rd Sunday with Holy Trinity see below

Prayer group 1st & 3rd Tues 9.30
Coffee Morning Fridays 10.00—11.00
Regnal Tuesdays 2.15 Bancroft Room
Choir Thursday 7 p.m.

Joint Planning Meeting
July 1st

Full Joint Meeting
July 20th

Joint Services and Activities

June 15th

9.30 Joint service at Holy Trinity

July 20th

10.30 joint service at St Andrew's

Aug 17th

9.30 Joint service at Holy Trinity

Sept 21st

10.30 Harvest Festival service at St Andrew's

Craven Citizen's Advice Bureau

Outreach Advice service held in St Andrew's Church Hall on alternate Wednesdays from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.

No appointment needed

2008 dates

June 11, 25

July 9, 23

Aug 6, 20

Sept 3, 17

Oct 1, 15, 29

Nov 12, 26

Dec 10

Quality Advice

Welfare Benefits

Housing

Employment rights

Money Advice

Disability info

Relationship break-down

Immigration

Free, Independent Impartial, Confidential

From the Mouths of Babes and Sucklings

One particular four-year-old prayed, "And forgive us our trash baskets as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets."

3-year-old Reese: "Our Father, Who does art in heaven, Harold is His name. Amen."

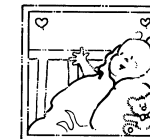


Family news

Baptisms :

17th February 2008 (HT)

Jack Christopher Hayes



11th May 2008 (HT)

Teagan Lesley Dugdale

25th March 2008 (SA)

Forbhlaith Euphemia Margaret Jane Edmunds Hughes

Funerals:

John Edward Metcalfe died 14th March 2008 aged 67 years (HT)



Wedding :

25th May 2008 (HT)

Robert A. T. Tedder and Monica M. Hall



Ruby Wedding Anniversaries:

Joan (nee Binns) and **Robin Tindale** married 9th March, 1968 at Bethel Chapel, Lothersdale

Judith (nee Bracewell) and **Melville Smith** married 30th March, 1968 at Ickornshaw Methodist Chapel

Sheila (nee Bannister) and **Sandy/Alexander Harrison** also celebrated theirs recently



Congratulations to all

Margaret (nee Wilkinson) and Hugh Gott have another grandchild, Evie,. Congratulations and best wishes to Kevin and Judith.

Update from our Churches

At St Andrew's our minister, Charlotte, is introducing three new mid-week services this year. The first was a healing service on May 6th - not faith healing but concentrating on spiritual wholeness, a chance to seek peace and a time of reflection away from the stress of everyday life. The service included listening to contemporary music and at the end we were invited to come out and have the sign of a cross made on our hands in oil. Those of us who went found the service very refreshing and we hope this will become part of our annual calendar.

The next new service will be a pet service on June 17th and everyone is invited to bring their pets along to be blessed in this special service.

The final innovation will be on October 16th when we will hold a memorial service to give thanks for the lives of all those we love who have now passed on. Everyone is welcome, either to bring their private memories or with a request that their loved ones should be named and remembered by all in the service.

This year we were again blessed by good weather for our joint Pentecost Party and Earby band was able to play outside again. We had stalls, refreshments, a quiz, displays by local artists, Moonrakers and the new village hall plans. A welcome innovation was a splendid display of pictures by Cowling Primary School. This year we also had a shorter treasure hunt (shorter in distance not in clues). We expected it might be too cold for a long ramble. In fact it was too hot! Many thanks to all who made it possible.

At Holy Trinity the plaster has been removed from the entrance to reveal the old stone behind, greatly improving the appearance. This is another small step towards refurbishment. We look forward to the next step. As Trinity Sunday fell on a joint service at St Andrew's this year (May 18th), both congregations celebrated together by going for a meal at the Dog and Gun after the service

All Creatures Great and Small



Pet Service



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Tuesday 17th June

Bring your pet for a blessing



Wanted to Support the Blind

All the following items can be recycled to raise money to support the blind:-

- Old ink cartridges
- Old mobile phones
- Unwanted jewellery
- Old keys
- Coins
- Stamps



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