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Minister – Rev Dr Calvin Samuel

SUNDAY 22nd NOVEMBER

This Sunday, in order to cater for members and friends who can't easily access YouTube, we have two on-line services

Rev Calvin Samuel is again leading a [Section Service](#) with Rayleigh and Rochford Methodist Churches, which starts on Zoom at 9:45am then Pam Smith is leading **our own service** solely on Zoom at 11:15am.

For the [Section Service](#) please join Zoom in the usual way at or just before 9:45am (details below); there will be 15 minutes to get together, then at 10:00am we will transfer to Calvin's YouTube service, which will include a contribution from Pam Smith and a hymn sung by Ros. You can either stay on Zoom and won't have to do anything to access YouTube, but for better audio quality leave Zoom and click on this link <https://youtu.be/8cvhsX8ojNQ>. Please remember to mute yourself at the start of the service if you stay on Zoom.

At the end of the YouTube service we're going to go into Breakout Rooms where we can have a chat (and make a cup of tea?) with friends from the three Churches. Again, you won't have to do anything if you've stayed on Zoom as you will be placed in a room automatically. If you've left Zoom for YouTube you will need to re-join the Zoom meeting using the same link, ID and Passcode (below). The "Rooms" are just small Zoom meetings; the intention is to have two breakout sessions each of 10 minutes, with a change of rooms after the first 10 minutes.

Here are the details for joining Zoom on your pc or laptop:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83042838053?pwd=WWVtRHdlcitrL1g4cG1XVGRGckpzdz09>

Meeting ID: 830 4283 8053 Passcode: 856545

If you want to join on your landline the phone numbers are:

0203 481 5237 or 0203 481 5240 or 0203 901 7895 or
0131 460 1196 or 0203 051 2874

The ID and Passcode are the same as for pcs and laptops (above)
When the YouTube service starts you will need to leave Zoom and
phone 01268 385 131 to hear the service, then when it finishes re-join
the Zoom meeting using the same ID and Passcode

Our own Zoom service starts at 11:15am. Pam Smith will lead the
service and Ros will be singing again. These are the joining details

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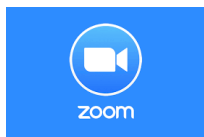
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or 0203 481 5240 or 0203 901 7895

PLEASE SUPPORT BOTH SERVICES IF YOU CAN



We are continuing on Zoom with our **Wednesday Morning Social Chat at 10:30am** and, for as long as Ray's willing to think up the questions, with **Ray's Friday Quizzoom at 7:00pm.**

You can keep in touch via the website,

<https://www.hockleyhawkwelldist.org.uk/>

Via Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/hockleymeths>

Or via hockleymeths@live.co.uk

Rev. Calvin Samuel's Pastoral Letter



This Sunday, 22nd November, is Stir up Sunday, the final Sunday of the liturgical year before a new Year begins in Advent. Stir Up Sunday, known also as the Feast of Christ the King, is so called because of the traditional collect, or gathering prayer, used that day in the Church of England and other traditions which begins with the words: Stir up, O Lord.

In Britain, it's also the point at which people often begin to 'stir up' their traditional Christmas Puddings so that they're ready in time for Christmas.

As a child I attended a Roman Catholic Primary School, called Christ the King. They make a big deal of this feast, and so, for example, on Friday of this week, teachers and pupils get an additional day off School to mark the Feast of Christ the King.

The end of a year is a time when we are perhaps inclined to look back at the year past and to look ahead at the year to come.

The past year has been marked, of course, by the global Covid-19 pandemic. The earliest known case of Covid-19 dates back to 1st December 2019 which happened to be the 1st Sunday of Advent. Back then it seemed to be an Asian problem, remote from our daily lives. Within a few months we were reminded that what happens in one part of the world will have effects globally. It's a reaffirmation that we are one race, the human race, sharing one world. To paraphrase the words of Paul in 1 Corinthians 12.26 what happens to one part of the body affects the whole.

But the end of the year is also a time to look forwards. The pandemic has changed so many aspects of our lives, in ways that were previously unimaginable and some of those changes will continue to be with us. We have adapted and grown and are continuing to find new ways of living out our faith in a world that is changing rapidly.

That is, I think, one of the constants of discipleship, finding new ways of articulating an ancient faith in changing circumstances. The Feast of Christ the King is a declaration of faith, that though the world may change the Kingship of Christ is eternal.

During Advent I'll be leading 4 weekly Reflections via Zoom beginning on Tuesday 1st December as we share some of our hopes, dreams and fears for the year to come. I do hope you'll be able to join me.

*Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people,
that they, bringing forth the fruit of good works,
may by you be richly rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

Calvin



Calvin's **YouTube services** will continue to be available at https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=Rev+Calvin+Samuel

Calvin issues a copy of the liturgy for his online service each week. If you would like a copy email Nicola at hmmc1883@gmail.com

Methodist Year of Prayer: Every Tuesday at 2.45pm
<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-in-britain/evangelism-growth/year-of-prayer/>

Prayers for this week

For the researchers around the world, working hard to find, test and produce a safe vaccine for Covid-19.

For the NHS and all its staff, working together to keep us safe and well.

For the people of the UK, who fear for the future, those facing job uncertainty or loss and worry about the impact of the virus.

For the people we know who are unwell, lonely, anxious and isolated from their loved ones.

For the world, where there is war (Yemen and Ethiopia), hunger, unrest (Hong Kong, Thailand) and oppression, especially for places where people face persecution for their faith and are not free to worship.



Amen

Services in December

Sunday 29 th December 9:45am	Zoom/YouTube Section Service
Sunday 6 th December 11:15am 11:15am	AAW in Church by invitation Zoom Service
Tuesday 15 th December 4:00pm	Messy Church by invitation
Sunday 20 th December 11:15am	Carol service
Christmas Eve 5:00pm	Christingle by invitation
Christmas Day 10:15am	Zoom service

If we have re-opened and are able to meet in Church, the services identified as "by invitation" services are at present planned to be **All Age Worship for young families connected to the Church**. We hope that they will be streamed live on Zoom from Church, but if we are still closed they will be Zoom meetings, as held during the previous lockdown.

On Sunday 6th December the intention is to have a Zoom service for our main congregation while the younger families are in Church. This Zoom service may have to be at a different time. Watch this space!

Zoom joining details for all these will be sent out nearer the time.



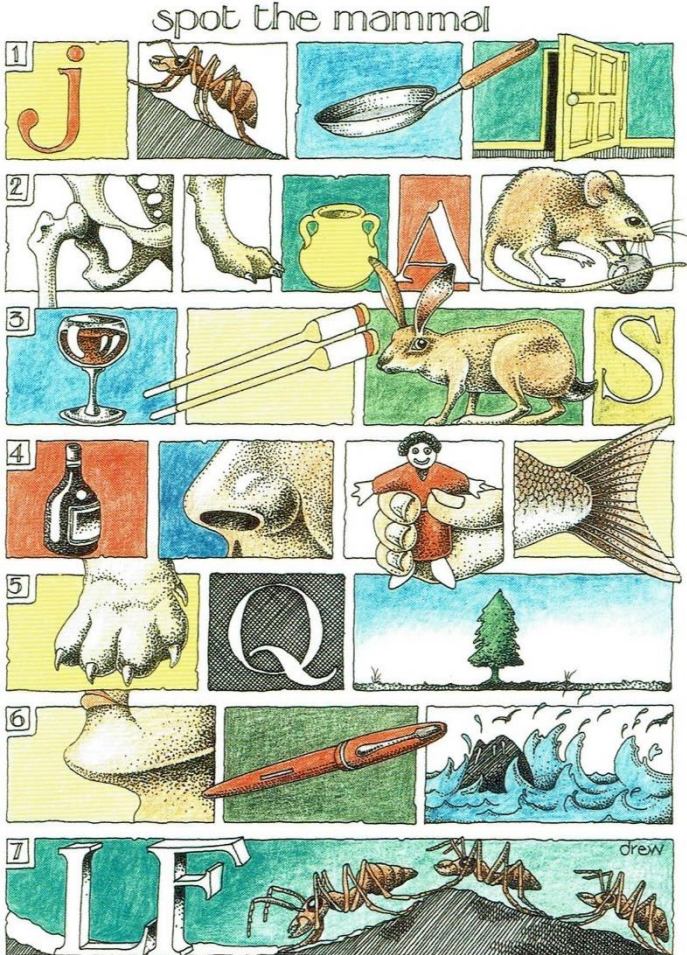
JMA Boxes

If you want to have your JMA collecting box emptied, please give me a ring on 01702 204559 or email clarked46@talktalk.net to arrange for it to be collected.

David Clarke

Simon Drew's "Spot The .." Postcards

These Catchphrase-like games are available on postcards with a whole range of subjects. We'll print some in the next few issues and give you the answers in the subsequent edition.



The answers to the last 'Spot the ... Postcard' quiz, Dogs, are:

- 1 Golden Retriever 2 Beagle 3 Pekinese
4 Corgis 5 Labrador 6 Jack Russell 7 Doberman Pinscher

TOY AND GIFT SERVICE



Whether the Toy and Gift service goes ahead at Church or online this year, we can send gift vouchers to the women's refuge, now working under the title of 'Safe Steps'.

Safe Steps has continued work throughout the pandemic, supporting those affected by domestic abuse. Often over the phone or by video calls. They have seen a 77% increase in calls to their helpline.

This year they are having to adapt how they accept donations for Christmas and supermarket vouchers (for Tesco, Sainsburys or Coop) would be the best way of donating. Vouchers enable the women to purchase the essentials that they need and also gifts for their children this Christmas. The vouchers can be posted to Safe Steps Fundraising Manager at 4 West Road, Westcliff-on-Sea SS0 9DA or put through the door there. Or you can make a donation at www.safesteps.org

CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE

Assuming some restrictions will still be in place, there will be no card tree in church this year for you to wish members and friends a Happy Christmas. Instead, the last Link to be issued before Christmas will be mainly for your Christmas greetings to each other.

Donations can still be made in lieu of cards to All We Can. Our donations at Harvest raised nearly £600 - a fabulous result. For Christmas, the aim is to buy an 'extraordinary gift' of a wheelchair for a disabled child, to transform a life so that they can go to school, play with friends and have a chance to develop their full potential. We need £222.



This is Eyosiyas from Ethiopia, who has benefited already from the support from All We Can, working with communities to help overcome the stigma and prejudice surrounding disability and championing the rights of those affected.

At present the only way to make a donation via Church is to drop a cheque made payable to All We Can through Stan's letterbox or the Church letterbox (or post a cheque to Hockley Methodist Church. Main Road, Hockley SS5 4QY). We hope that more straightforward arrangements will be available after 2nd December!

Circuit Face Book Page

For the first time, there is a Southend and Leigh Circuit Facebook page, created by Deacon Sarah McDowall - it links to the Circuit Website and shortly the Circuit web site will have a link to it.



The page will allow access to the Youtube services which Calvin and Steve are producing each week and could include links to say recorded Zoom services.

This is the link to the Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Southend-and-Leigh-Methodist-Circuit-104457831482943>

If you are on Facebook please “like” the page and invite friends to “like” it too.

Kathy

A link to this page will be put on our Church web site

Winter Fuel Allowance

If you would like to donate your winter fuel allowance to a good cause, please consider Crisis or Crisis at Christmas? Crisis is the national charity for homeless people and Crisis at Christmas is already getting ready to help homeless people as the harshest time of year approaches, and in even more difficult conditions than usual. This link will take you to their website <https://www.crisis.org.uk/get-involved/donate-to-crisis-this-christmas/>



A LINK TO THE PAST

Continuing on from my last submission I go back to the Issue December 2011/January 2012. We are probably spending more time watching TV repeats and various box sets whilst sitting on our favourite armchair or sofa. What about a bit of exercise? This is continuing Ian's cycle ride from Land's End to John O' Groats. Perhaps it will inspire you.

WEDNESDAY 25TH MAY - DUFTON TO MOFFAT - 85 MILES

My route from Dufton was through the lanes to Knook, Milburn and Blencarp to Skinwith where I joined the A686 then the B6412 and B6413 to Brampton

This was fairly hilly and I had underestimated the distance so it took longer than expected. I cannot remember now where I stopped for dinner, I think it was just outside Annan but the route took me across to Longtown and Gretna Green on the A6071. Then it was the B721 and B723 via Lockerbie and B7076 to Dinwoodie where I tried to get some refreshment to keep me going but nothing was available. The last part of the route was on very nice easy-going lanes, just as well as I was running on empty.

The B & B in Moffat was the best one I stayed at, the lady provided tea and cakes on arrival and the bedroom I was given was absolutely enormous, as was the bathroom. In the evening I had a good meal in a local pub, phoned Viv again and retired to bed.

Ian Mackenzie

Ray Williams

News from the Circuit



As you will remember, before leaving their home in Leigh, Sam Monaghan, husband of Rev. Julia, became Chief Executive of Methodist Homes (MHA) the largest charity care home group in the UK. MHA has had a hugely challenging time since March this year due to COVID-19.

Sam has found himself as one of chief lobbyists working with his colleagues at MHA to push the Department of Health and Social Care for both testing and visiting in care homes, meeting with them weekly.

Sadly, because of a lack of political will at cabinet level; lack of capacity in testing; and poor planning and implementation, progress and potential implementation of change has been far too slow. He has suggested, for those who have an interest in the welfare of people in care homes, we might all watch this programme on the iPlayer BBC 2 Thursday 19th November at 9pm - Lockdown 1.0 Following the Science.

Teresa Rutterford is making special Christmas face masks if you are interested with the proceeds going to the trust in her son's name.

Tel. 01702 523312 or email teresa@rutterford.net

The next Healing and Well Being service is on Wednesday 25th November. Contact Rev Chris Sandy at christopher.sandy@methodist.org for Zoom codes.

The Circuit Prayer Breakfast takes place at 8,30am on the first Sunday of the month. Email Kathy Burrell kathy@burrellkm.plus.com for Zoom codes.

There is an outreach initiative led by the Methodist Church in Newcastle and Premier Christian Radio called Carols on your Doorstep timed for 5.30pm on 20th December. More detail to follow.

The next Meet the Minister will be on January 21st when deacon Sarah McDowell will be in the chair. She has taken over Hannah Bucke's responsibility for the Town Centre Ministry

Home Wanted for Lost Child's Boots

Gill Cross is looking for a home for a pair of toddler's fur lined boots – probably fit a 2 – 3 year-old. If you want to take them in Gill won't charge you – contact her on 0751 802 7291.

Ray's Quizzooms

For those of you who missed Ray's Quizzoom 26 and 27 here they are along with the answers to Quizzooms 24 & 25.



Ray's Quizzoom 26 – 6th November 2020

ROUND ONE - A MATCH OF TWO HALVES

We all love to have a half a point, so in this round the question is in two parts. Half a point for each.

Q. 1 Firstly, which England sea captain reputedly finished his game of bowls before going to sea to defeat The Spanish Armada.

Secondly from which Devon port did he set sail for this historic sea battle.

Q. 2 Firstly, which Spanish football club won the first five European Cups which started in 1955.

Secondly, what colour shirts did they wear.

Q. 3 "Well, here's another fine mess you've gotten me into" was a catchphrase used by silent film comedy actors Laurel and Hardy. Firstly, what was Laurel's Christian name.

Secondly, what was Hardy's Christian name.

Q. 4 A BLT is a popular type of sandwich. The B stands for bacon. First, what does the L stand for. Second, what does T stand for.

Q. 5 Another popular comedy duo were known as Eric and Ernie. Firstly, what was Eric's surname. Secondly, what was Ernie's surname.

ROUND TWO - ISLANDS

Q. 6 Tenerife belongs to which group of islands.

Q. 7 Which large island lies to the far north west of Wales.

Q. 8 What is the name of the regatta, usually held on the Isle of Wight each year.

Q. 9 What is the capital of the Isle of Man.

Q. 10 Kodiak Island is in which American state.

ROUND THREE - IN THE MONEY

Q. 11 Llantrisant, is ten miles from Cardiff, and has been the home of the Royal Mint for a number of decades. In which decade did the Royal Mint move to Llantrisant.

Q. 12 Which popular group had a UK hit in 1976 with "Money, Money, Money."

Q. 13 The United States gold reserves are kept in a fortified vault building in Kentucky. Name this high security location.

Q. 14 Prior to joining the Euro, what was the currency of Portugal.

Q. 15 Which London street is the home of The Bank of England.

ROUND FOUR - INSTRUMENTAL

Q. 16 Which American band leader of the 1930's and 1940's is known for "Moonlight Serenade" and "Pennsylvania 6-5000."

Q. 17 The title of this Shadows hit is also the name of an American Indian tribe. What was this hit.

Q. 18 In 1965, German pianist Horst Jankowski had a big UK hit. This could have been a favourite walk of his. (6 words)

Q. 19 In 1968, which group had a hit with "Albatross."

Q. 20 "How sweet the sound" of this Christian hymn which became a UK hit in 1972 for The Royal Scots Dragoon Guards.

ROUND FIVE - SPORTING TERMS

Q. 21 The nineteenth hole is a term used in which sport.

Q. 22 Which wrestling hold is 50% of a famous English admiral with one arm and one eye.

Q. 23 The "Fosbury Flop" is a term used in an athletics field event. Name this field event.

Q. 24 An upper cut is a term used in which combat sport.

Q. 25 In which sport would you hear the term "Silly Mid Off."

Ray's Quizzoom 27 – 13th November 2020

ROUND ONE - TOYS

Q. 1 Standing 9 to 16 inches long, these dolls could be adopted and both adoption papers and birth certificates were included when purchased.

A product of the 1980's, in my view they were very ugly and should have been left on a vegetable plot. What was the name of these dolls.

Q. 2 Created in 1958, this motor racing game stated that its cars travelled at a scale speed of 130 m p h on the straight. It brought the excitement and the thrill of the race to your very home. Name this motor racing toy.

Q. 3 Lego are known the world over for their interlocking building blocks creating many outstanding designs. In which country did they originate.

Q. 4 Many dolls have been inspired by TV characters and the two characters in question were created for TV by Nick Park. They appeared in a number of short films including "A Grand Day Out", "The Wrong Trousers" and "A Close Shave." Name these two characters.

Q. 5 This large bounce along toy has a kangaroo like face with big ears and is great fun to bounce around on by both adults and children.

Name this bounce along toy that sounds like an astronaut on one leg.

ROUND TWO - SUPERMARKETS

Going back over the years these products could have been found in a supermarket.

Q.6 In the 1970's, if going to a party, you had to take a drink. A favourite choice-was a very large can of Watney's Draught Bitter. By what appropriate name was this can called.

Q. 7 Which company boasts that it has 57 varieties.

Q. 8 Not everyone likes a cup of tea and some people prefer its alternative. What powdered milk was added to their drink when drinking with pals.

Q. 9 Who are the makers of the chocolate bar "CurlyWurly."

Q. 10 Henry Cooper, the boxer, invited us to "splash it all over" in TV adverts of the 1970's. Name this after shave.

ROUND THREE - FILM MUSICALS

Q. 11 The songs "Consider Yourself" and "As long As He Needs Me" were in this 1968 film musical starring Ron Moody and Mark Lester.

Q. 12 James Corden and Judi Dench starred in this 2019 film musical which included the songs "Memory" and "Old Deuteronomy."

Q. 13 John Travolta and Olivia Newton John starred in this 1978 film musical which featured the songs "Summer Nights" and "You're the one that I want."

Q. 14 "A million dreams" and "This is me" were two songs in this 2017 film musical starring Hugh Jackman and Michelle Williams. -

Q. 15 Richard Gere and Catherine Zeta Jones starred in this 2002 film musical which featured the songs "Razzle Dazzle" and "All that Jazz."

ROUND FOUR - THE 1990'S

Q. 16 After being locked up for 27 years, including 21 years on Robben Island, who was made a free man by the South African government on the 11th February 1990.

Q. 17 On the 3rd November 1992 who was elected as the President of the United States of America.

Q. 18 In 1996, the film Toy Story was released. What was the name of the astronaut character.

Q. 19 On the 27th February 1997, scientists in Edinburgh announced that they had successfully cloned a sheep. What name was given to this cloned sheep.

Q. 20 Pubs were allowed to open on Sunday afternoons from the 6th August. In what year of the 1990's was this.

ROUND FIVE - BOYS AND GIRLS

This round is all about boy bands and girl groups.

Q. 21 At the forefront of girl power, this girl group had three UK number ones in 1996, with "Wannabe", "Say you'll be there" and 'Becomes 1.'

Q. 22 This boy group's first UK hit was in 1993 with "Pray." It included band members Gary Barlow and Robbie Williams.

Q. 23 "Love me for a reason" was a UK hit in 1995 for this Dublin based group.

Q. 24 In the title of their 1984 UK hit, which group told us, "Robert De Niro's Waiting."

Q. 25 This British girl group won The X Factor in 2011 and this year are hosting a BBC 1 music competition, "The Search."

ANSWERS to Ray's Quizzoom 24

ROUND ONE - OLYMPIC GAMES

A.1 JAPAN

A.2 DALEY THOMPSON

A.3 SWIMMING

A.4 USAIN BOLT

A.5 b) - MEN'S DOUBLES

ROUND TWO - FAMOUS DATES

A.6 HENRY THE SEVENTH

A. 7 WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

A.8 DAVID ATENBOROUGH

A. 9 CLEMENT ATTLEE

A. 10 MARTIN PETERS

ROUND THREE - IN THE COUNTRY

A. 11 A) CANADA

A.12 C) SOUTH AFRICA

A. 13 A) ANTIGUA

A.14 B) ITALY

A.15 A) AUSTRALIA

ROUND FOUR - UK AND EUROVISION

A. 16 PUPPET ON A STRING

A. 17 CONGRATULATIONS

A. 18 BROTHERHOOD OF MAN

A. 19 ONLY ONCE (IN 2003 JEMINI with "CRY BABY")

A. 20 MAKING YOUR MIND UP

ROUND FIVE - CHILDREN'S LITERATURE

A. 21 J. K. ROWLING

A. 22 GULLIVER'S TRAVELS

A. 23 LONG JOHN SILVER

A. 24 ANNA SEWELL

A. 25 PUSHME – PULLYOU

ANSWERS to Ray's Quizzoom 25

ROUND ONE - CURRENT NEWS

A. 1 ANDY BURNHAM

A. 2 CLIFF RICHARD

A. 3 TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2020

A.4 LEWIS HAMILTON

A. 5 SADIQ KHAN

ROUND TWO - ON SAFARI

- A.6 LONGLEAT
- A. 7 CLARENCE
- A. 8 SERENGETI NATIONAL PARK
- A. 9 CARRY ON UP THE JUNGLE
- A. 10 WOBURN

ROUND THREE - QUIZ SHOW HOSTS

- A. 11 ANNE ROBINSON
- A. 12 NICK HEWER
- A. 13 BRADLEY WALSH
- A. 14 GINO D' ACAMPO
- A. 15 BEN SHEPHERD

ROUND FOUR - DANCING

- A. 16 FOXTROT
- A. 17 ANNA PAVLOVA
- A. 18 FLAMENCO
- A. 19 TOP OF THE POPS
- A. 20 THE CONGA (CONGER EEL)

ROUND FIVE - A CUP OF TEA

- A.21 TETLEY
- A. 22 POLLY
- A.23 EARL GREY
- A.24 BOSTON TEA PARTY
- A.25 DUNKING

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Thank you, once again, to everybody who's contributed. Please keep your contributions coming! Send items to us at hmethslink@gmail.com or phone 07798948236.

Muriel & Mike

