

150 Years of Worship and Outreach

Central United Reformed Church Hove



October - November 2016

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday Youth Ministry

Mrs. A. Austen

Mrs C. Vaughan

Boys' Brigade
(Mondays)

Mr. C. Jukes

Girls' Club
(Tuesday)

Mrs. S. Hill

Tuesday Fellowship
(Alternate Tuesdays)

Mrs H Brown

Men's Fellowship
(Third Wednesday)

Mr. P. Gear

Welcome Break
(Wednesdays)

Mrs. P. Macaulay

Bluebird Parent & under 3s Group

Mrs K. Hancox

Church Web Site

Mr John Brewster

Church Hall Tel: 01273 734162

Email: info@centralurchove.com

MISSED CHURCH?

You can listen to the Sunday Morning Service by going to our website:
www.centralurchove.com and hearing the recording.

Dear Friends,

What are our reaction to disasters, like the earthquake in Umbria Italy recently? My first reaction is to pray for the injured and the rescuers. I feel concern but helplessness and think how I would feel or cope if I was in that situation. Sometimes we make a collection at church or another gathering where people show their solidarity and compassion. Britain has a great track record in their response to such situations. What if I were to tell you that there is a way to support a charity who can prepare ahead for the next disaster! I came across this charity when I was working in Luton & Dunstable and we adopted it as a pastorate charity there. I am hoping that we might do the same in our pastorate of Hove & Portslade. Below is an excerpt from the website, to explain what goes into a Shelter Box. A full Box costs about £750 and Shelter Box work in partnership with the Rotary who have been working on this for many years before the Shelter Box charity came into existence. Rev Peter Elliott told me that when he was working in Rayleigh, Essex a list would be sent around to Rotary Clubs and members would provide what was required and they even had to make their own box! The Shelter Box charity have standardised the contents and the green box is recognised as a lifeline in many communities.

Here is the quotation from Shelterbox

“Our sturdy green ShelterBoxes are designed to help people who have lost everything. They are filled with practical tools and utensils that help to create the framework for everyday life. Each contains a family-sized tent that protects people from the elements and provides a safe space in which people can start to recover from physical and emotional trauma. The contents differ depending on the disaster and the climate, but items such as solar lights, water storage and purification equipment, thermal blankets and cooking utensils help start the process of creating a home.”

At a recent Joint Elders meeting we saw a video promoting Shelterbox and the amazing sense of hope it gives to people who are in shock and despair at what has happened to them. There are many stories to read on the website. We are looking for opportunities to show the video in church meetings and seek your support, with the intension of passing a resolution at our next Joint Elders meeting to come to our new year church meetings to adopt Shelterbox as our pastorate charity. If you want to find out more

google ShelterBox and read for yourself. If you have no access to the internet I am getting some leaflets so that you can be more informed.

For me, ShelterBox helps us to respond in anticipation of what might befall a community and we don't have to feel guilty because what we have prepared can be sent immediately to the affected community. And it can give immense hope for the future.

Please give this your prayerful support,

Sue X

Central United Reformed Church Hove

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CONCERT

SATURDAY 29TH OCTOBER

7.30 pm

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FAMILY NEWS FROM CENTRAL

Only two weeks before her 90th birthday, Central lost one of its most cherished members with the death of **Jan Owen**. We knew that Jan was becoming increasingly frail and had had a stroke from which she seemed to be making a surprising recovery but it was not to be and Jan slipped away as she had lived her life, quietly, unafraid and not wishing to trouble anyone.



Jan was one of the quiet, unassuming members of the church who preferred working in the background but who was always ready to help in any way she could. Gentle, kind and loving she had many friends in the church and was one of that elite circle of Pete Gear's "angels", which explains her ready smile and that innate sense of fun, which was almost mischievous, at times.

Her enjoyment and tolerance plus her deep love for her family partially explain the love and affection in which her grandchildren held her and spoke of her at her funeral. Jan reciprocated this a hundred times more. She loved them unquestioningly and in her eyes they could do no wrong, even if an "accident" meant a broken lamp fitting or garden shed fire. She was the archetypal grandmother providing fun, food, cuddles and above all love.

Born in Old Kilpatrick, Scotland it was love, which moved Jan south, first to Wales and then to the south coast of England when she married her husband, Bill. Jan had a strong faith and she and Bill were devoted members of Central. Jan demonstrated her faith by serving on the Finance Committee for many years, ensuring that freewill offering envelopes were distributed and also keeping track of Gift Aid donations so that the Chancellor of the Exchequer also made his contribution to Central's Funds! For years also she worked with Jeanne Dench and Pam Macaulay decorating the church with flower arrangements and later quietly passing on her sensible advice that less was sometimes more. Her very presence gave confidence and encouragement.

Jan also served as an Elder and on the Social Activities Committee. A woman of deep faith, strong principles and a practitioner of the Eleventh Commandment, Jan's opinions were always expressed honestly but with love. It is an example of the esteem and deep affection in which she was

held that Pam Macaulay insisted on attending the Service of Thanksgiving for Jan's Life, even though she was just out of hospital. In the "Memories Book" which people wrote afterwards one phrase kept recurring, "A lovely lady," and she was.

We have lost a dear and valued friend but her family has lost so much more. To Sheila, her daughter, who cared for her so unstintingly, her son-in-law, Jim, who, contrary to custom, had a great relationship with his mother-in-law, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and all the family circle we extend our sincere sympathy and prayers that they may feel comforted and loved – as Jan would have wished.

Having mentioned **Pam Macaulay**, we are pleased to learn that her knee operation was a success. Unfortunately, whilst in hospital, Pam had a fall and tore the ligaments in her arm, which is causing her more distress and pain than the knee, as it is the arm, which she needs to use with her crutch. She is remaining very positive and cheerful, despite it all. We pray that she will continue to make progress and both arm and knee will soon be better.

Please continue to hold **Hilary & Adrian Ball's** grandson, **Joe**, in your prayers as he begins his long road of treatment for Crohn's disease. May God be with him and strengthen his family through this worrying time.

We understand that **Reuben Sibanda** has been home to Zimbabwe and we give thanks for his safe journey there and back. **Tebello**, his wife, continues to be very weak and suffers a lot. It is all too easy to forget someone who has been ill for a long time but please continue to hold her in your prayers.

Congratulations and best wishes to **Alex Hill** and his fiancée, **Lucy**, on their engagement. It is so lovely to share their good news. If they need tips on successful matrimony then may we suggest they consult **Jim and Sheila Lyall** who will celebrate their Diamond Anniversary on 17th November. The idea of 60 years of marriage has impressed so many people who come into our church premises from the Parents of Bluebird to the photocopier's engineer!

Warmest congratulations and every blessing, Jim and Sheila!

It was a very moving occasion, when we welcomed **Daniel Harlow** into membership of the church and all the members of the Men's Fellowship who were present, came to the front of the church to support him as he

made his profession of faith. We could see that he has found friendship in Central and we pray that he continues to find a deepening faith and warm fellowship. He has already proved his worth at being “ a useful pair of hands” by turning up to help prepare the sanctuary for Harvest and in clearing up after the Harvest Supper! He also heeds advice, having been told to “just turn up and do as you are told!” AND he did.

As the new church year began in September with the various organisations restarting their programmes, we were sorry to learn that the Girls’ Club had decided it could no longer continue. We would like to thank the leaders for their work over the years and assure them that we feel sure that the seeds they have planted will ripen into a new harvest in the coming years.

At the beginning of September there was an Autumn Clean up/Clear out and we are indebted to those who gave of their time one Saturday morning to discard, re-organise and clean the church premises and make journeys to the dump.



So it is in love and confidence that we as a family of God begin another church year with all its dreams, disappointments, anticipation, excitement and challenges believing we can do nothing without the inspiration, strength, wisdom and companionship of the Holy Spirit directing our actions and leading us forward as we seek to know and follow God’s will.

Fellowship of Prayer:

Tebello Sibanda, Peggy McMillen, John Gilson, Ros Ayling, Sally Marteau, Dorothy Gale & Ivy Newell.

ST CUTHBERTS HOUSING ASSOCIATION.

All four tenants of Wray House have found alternative accommodation and their flats were vacated by the end of August. That allowed us to transfer ownership of the property, with vacant possession, to Off The Fence, thus ending our involvement lasting nearly fifty years.

Handing over the keys took place at an informal gathering hosted by Off The Fence at a coffee shop near their offices in Portland Road. Paul Young and one of his staff were joined by five of the Association committee to enjoy coffee and cake. Off The Fence recorded their appreciation of the hand over in the form of a framed certificate, which can now be viewed on the notice board in the New Hall.

It is hoped that the final stages of winding up the Association will be completed by the end of this year.



CASSEROLE CLUB

Free home cooked food that you like brought to your door by a friendly neighbour with more food than they need – what’s not to like?

Hove Luncheon Club has been selected by Brighton & Hove Food Partnership to link closely with Casserole Club to bring together “diners” and “cooks” to help tackle food waste and connect people with their neighbours.

If you would be interested in receiving a lovely meal for free, please call Caroline Henderson on 07813667857.

It is quick and easy to sign up and you can choose what day and time you would be interested in receiving a lovely meal. It might be once a week or once a month – that is up to you.

Rachel Richards.

(Hove Methodist Church)



10th BRIGHTON (HOVE)

BOYS' BRIGADE
COMPANY



Invite you to join them

During BB Week

On

MONDAY 21st NOVEMBER 7.00 pm in church

ENROLMENT SERVICE

SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 10.30 am

In Ventnor Hall

COFFEE MORNING

And

BB OPEN DAY

Learn what the BB, especially the 10th is about.

Meet the Staff and Boys

Enjoy some games and fun.

All boys 5 and upwards welcome.

HARVEST HOME

Give thanks with a grateful heart!

We have been so blessed in Central that so many people have been prepared to give of their time and talents in helping us to celebrate the harvest by giving thanks and praise to God for His abundant Goodness to us, not only in provision of food and shelter but also in the warmth and fellowship of worship and fun.

First and foremost we would like to thank **Chris and Suzanne Hill** for preparing and leading our Harvest Thanksgiving Service so wonderfully. They took as a theme Bread and based the service around not only “our daily bread” but also Jesus saying, “I am the Bread of Life.” By using the multi-media talents of **John Brewster** and a blend of old and new hymns of thanksgiving Suzanne and Chris gave us cause to think, smile and truly appreciate the bounty heaped upon us. We realised just how many different types of bread were readily available to us as we reeled of a list ranging from naan, focaccia, soda, wholemeal, granary and of course sliced white!

This was further highlighted by the harvest sheaf of bread made and crafted by **Kayleigh and Megan Jukes**, under the supervision of their grandmother, **Ann**, during the summer. Thank you to the three of them.

The only criticism of a joyful yet thought provoking service was that on the weekend that “Strictly” began again, “The Harvest Samba” did not involve anyone dancing in the aisles!!

Thank you to **Ann Austen, Clare Popley, Carol Tyler** and **Daniel Harlow** for decorating the Lower Vestibule and sanctuary so beautifully and to **Ray Tyler** and **Ann Beach** for supplying foliage so generously. And, just as importantly, thank you to **Clare, Keren and Sue** for tidying up the church later in the week.

God bless you all.



CHURCH CALENDAR

OCTOBER

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| SUN 9 | Family Service – Holy Communion Rev Roger French Evening Worship Rev. Lynda Hulcoop | 10.30 am 6.30 pm |
| Tue 11 | Tuesday Fellowship – Ron Graves | 2.30 pm |
| SUN 16 | Family Service Rev Peter Elliott Evening Worship – Holy Communion Rev. Sue Chapman | 10.30 am 6.30 pm |
| Wed 19 | Men’s Fellowship Rev Alex Mabbs Worship on the Wild Side Open to everyone | 7.45 pm |
| SUN 23 | Family Service Rev Sue Chapman Evening Worship Rev. Peter Elliott | 10.30 am 6.30 pm |
| Mon 24 | Christian Book Club – Gallimaufry Night (Keren Hancox) | 8.00 pm |
| Tue 25 | Tuesday Fellowship – June Smith The Land Army | 2.30 pm |
| Sat 29 | CONCERT The Rock Solid Community Gospel Choir (See separate notice) | 7.30 pm |
| SUN 30 | Family Service Mr David Walters Evening Worship Rev Sue Chapman | 10.30 am 6.30 pm |

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| Mon 31 | ADVENT COURSE with Methodists Week 1 At Hove Methodist Church Leader: Rev Sue Chapman | 8.00 pm |
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- *Please note that over the weekend 21st - 23rd October a BB Company from Eastbourne will be camping in our halls. Please do not enter the church halls over this time unless your visit is essential and please make yourself know to the Officers/Staff before doing so.*

NOVEMBER

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| Tue 1 | District Church Leaders' Meeting at Brighthelm | 12.30 pm |
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| Sat 5 | PASTORATE FAMILY DAY (with fireworks) Goldstone School Bring & Share lunch | 10.00 am – 3.00 pm |
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| SUN 6 | Family Service Rev. Jenny Morgan Evening Worship – The Junction | 10.30 am 6.30 pm |
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| Mon 7 | ADVENT COURSE with Methodists Week 2 At Hove Methodist Church Leader: Rev. Sue Chapman | 8.00 pm |
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| Tue 8 | Tuesday Fellowship – Rev Peter Elliott | 2.30 pm |
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| Wed 9 | Elders' Meeting | 7.30 pm |
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| SUN 13 | Family Service – Holy Communion Rev. Sue Chapman Evening Worship Rev. Lynda Hulcoop | 10.30 am 6.30 pm |
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| Mon 14 | ADVENT COURSE with Methodists Week 3 At Hove Methodist Church Leader: Rev. Sue Chapman | 8.00 pm |
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| Wed 16 | Men's Fellowship Music Evening and planning for 2017 | 7.45 pm |
| | BB WEEK | |
| SUN 20 | Family Service Rev. Ken Lynch | 10.30 am |
| | Church Meeting | 12.00 noon |
| | Evening Worship | 6.30 pm |
| | Rev. Peter Elliott | |
| Mon 21 | BB Enrolment Service In Church | 7.00 pm |
| | ADVENT COURSE with Methodists Week 4 | 8.00 pm |
| | At Hove Methodists Church Leader: Rev Sue Chapman | |
| Tue 22 | Tuesday Fellowship – Accordion Duo | 2.30 pm |
| Sat 26 | BB COFFEE MORNING & OPEN DAY | 10.30 am |
| SUN 27 | FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT | |
| | Family Service – Parade | 10.30 am |
| | The Moderator – Rev Nicola Furley-Smith | |
| | Evening Worship – Holy Communion | 6.50 pm |
| | Rev. Peter Elliott | |
| Mon 28 th | Christian Book Club “The Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mother” Venue: TBA | 8.00 pm |

DECEMBER

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| Fri 2 | Preparations for Christmas Fair | 12.00 noon onwards |
| Sat 3 | CHRISTMAS FAIR | 10.00 am |

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| SUN 4 | SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT | |
| | Gifts Around the Christmas Tree | |
| | Family Service | 10.30 am |
| | Rev. Sue Chapman | |
| | Evening Worship – The Junction | 6.30 pm |
| Tue 6 | Tuesday Fellowship – Rev. Andy Lowe | 2.30 pm |

All contributions for the **DECEMBER+JANUARY** edition of the magazine should be handed in no later than **SUNDAY 20th NOVEMBER**

Please inform **Mr. Bill Maclean** by Wednesday of the preceding week of any calendar changes so that the calendar on the Order of Service may be altered.



FLOWER ROTA FOR OCTOBER

- 2nd Available
- 9th Pam Stringer – in memory of Andy
- 16th Available
- 23rd Boys’ Brigade
- 30th Available

FLOWER ROTA FOR NOVEMBER

- 6th Available
- 13th Pam Macaulay
- 20th Pam Moody
- 27th Keren Hancox – in memory of her parents



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Church Times review

SESSIONS: 31st October and 7th, 14th & 21st November, 2016

WHERE: Hove Methodist Church

TIME: 8.00 pm

PLEASE SIGN UP asap, TO ORDER A COURSE BOOKLET, OR CONTACT:

For Hove Methodist Church: Jonathan Crowstock, via office@hovemethodistchurch.co.uk or 01273 730432
For Central URC Church: Keren Hancock, via info@centralurchove.com or 01273 734162

HARVEST SUPPER

One of the highlights of our Harvest Thanksgiving celebration is always our Harvest Supper – a time of good food and fellowship. This year was no exception!

Our meal, prepared to the usual high standard by Keren and her Social Activities team consisted of soup (a meal in itself), followed by bangers and mash with onion gravy and a selection of delicious desserts (including almost everyone's favourite). This year our catering team was assisted by four young people who took on the job of serving table with great enthusiasm and probably no more training than watching a couple of episodes of Fawlty Towers! Fresh cream canisters can have a mind of their own!

Rev. Peter and Celia organised a successful raffle with a large number and variety of prizes.

The entertainment began with Tabitha and Abie Hancox displaying their developing talents on the flute – seemingly happy for the time being to share the same flute! We had poetry recitals from Jill and Rev. Sue and our “resident” stand-up comedian, Pastor Pete, entertained us from his repertoire of jokes – some of which had a hint of reality. Graham and Jinny, despite recently celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary, took to the stage to ask the question “Do you love me?” using a clever arrangement of music and slides. We think the answer was probably yes! Always up for a challenge six members of our Men's Fellowship provided the finale under the command and leadership of “sergeant “ Smith (with accompaniment provided by Mrs Smith) attempting to do justice to Gilbert & Sullivan's “A Policeman's Lot”. The helmets and truncheons may have been a welcome distraction! Unfortunately our own genuine ex-policeman was not available to participate as, in the words of the song, “When constabulary duty's to be done”, he was engaged in other employment!

If you were unable to come to this one watch out for details of our Spring Supper! These events help our church financially and bring us closer together as a church family.



A POLICEMAN'S LOT!

PASTORATE DIARY

October

- 15th Harmony Concert at Portslade URC 6.30 pm
27th The Sparkle and Shine Praise Party for Children
at Portslade URC 4.00 - 6.00 pm

November

- 5th PASTORATE FAMILY FUN DAY
(With fireworks)
at Goldstone School 10.00 am - 3.00 pm
Bring & Share Lunch

MENS' FELLOWSHIP

The Group try each year to have an outside visit during August/September. Places visited in the past have been Preston Manor House, Newhaven Fort, Argus Printing Works, Charleston Farmhouse and Shoreham Airport to name but a few. This year a suggestion was made that we visit Shoreham Fort !!! In all the years I have lived in the area I was unaware that such a place existed. I was assured that it was situated on Shoreham Beach close to the harbour entrance, so, on a bright evening in August we set off to investigate. Crossing the Norfolk Bridge we turned left at the roundabout and duly followed the signs which led us to a car park adjacent to the Fort. There we were met by a young man, a volunteer from "Friends of the Fort" who had an extensive knowledge of the building.

It was constructed of red brick, very similar to Newhaven Fort but on a smaller scale and was built in reaction to the threat of Napoleon 111 invading the British shores. Lord Palmerston commissioned the design of new coastal defences and prototypes were built: Littlehampton 1854 (now virtually disappeared under sand) – Shoreham 1857 and Newhaven 1859. Littlehampton had design faults so when Shoreham was built corrective measures were incorporated to increase its efficiency and to protect the men within its walls. After Shoreham was built the rest of Palmerston Forts were built around the UK. These later became known as "Palmerston Follies" because they never fired a shot in anger BUT it has been confirmed a spy came to Shoreham Fort, saw the design and that the cannon were fitted with rifling barrels instead of the usual smooth bore which increased the range of the shot to 4000 yards, and advised Napoleon not to attack as all the other Forts would be of a similar design, and so the criticism of Palmerston building the Forts was unjustified.

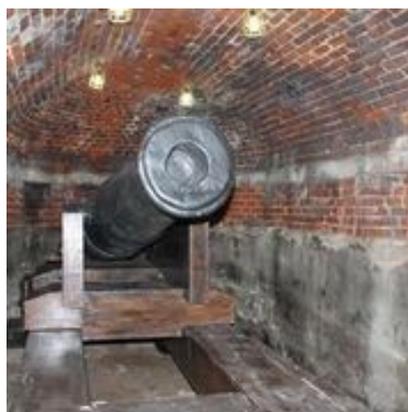
The Fort was manned by the First Sussex Artillery Volunteers, it had earth ramparts on which the guns were mounted. At the rear was a defensible barrack block. The fort was surrounded by a ditch which carried a Carnot Wall along the bottom. This wall would have been about 12 feet high most of which is still reasonably intact.

The tour lasted almost 2 hours and was quite extensive – some of us had difficulty in climbing the steps to the gun battery (but we made it!) also in descending steps and a tunnel into the firing positions behind the wall. The tour concluded with a visit to a Nissen Hut, now fitted out as a museum covering the history of the Fort through the years.

There is so much more to tell that, with the Editor's permission, I will give the concluding episode next month.

Peter Gear

SHOREHAM FORT



CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB

The end of September saw the Book Club re-united to discuss our first book of the new session - “The Rosie Project” by Graeme Simsion. This had been suggested to us by Keren’s Australian cousin, when she joined us for our play reading evening.

We had already learned that this book had split one book club down the middle with half loving it and the others both horrified and hating it. No such problem’s with us. In general we liked it and our reactions varied from “Enjoyed, once I got in to it” to the whole-hearted endorsement of “Loved it. Laughed out loud!”

The story is told through the perceptions of the main character, Don Tillman, a handsome 30-something geneticist, and at first this may be difficult to understand because he has Asperger’s syndrome, although he doesn’t realise this. He is normal: everyone else is strange. Asperger’s is a high performance form of autism and those who have it are usually extremely clever intellectually but emotionally bewildered. The nearest way to explain it is to think Sheldon Cooper from “The Big Bang Theory” writing his love story – though not with Amy.

What Don fails to realise is that finding a wife is not a science project or test. The perfect partner cannot be defined until you meet him /her and even then it defies logic

The story is written very cleverly with wonderful phraseology and once the reader becomes involved is un-put-down-able. From it, Keren has acquired a new phrase with which to keep Colin in his place!! When he comes into the kitchen to enquire if there is any dinner ready, she now replies, “No, I am merely at ‘the ingredients assembly phase’!”

Once again, this book choice led us to question what is “normal” and to gain an insight into the world through another’s eyes.

We can recommend this book – remember “different” is not “harmful,” “weird” or “scary” and think how you may appear to a different viewpoint.

24th October is GALLIMAUFREY NIGHT at the Book Club. Join us at 8.00 pm. You will be very welcome. For further information ask any member,

In November, we are taking up the challenge of “The Battle Hymn of the Tiger Mum” by Amy Chua. The meeting will be held at a yet to be arranged venue on 28th November at 8.00 pm.

YOUR LETTERS

To our Dear Friends at Central URC,

Keren and I were delighted to have the opportunity to celebrate our fortieth wedding anniversary with our friends at the party at Ditchling and at the Sunday service on the 25th September.

We are both very touched by the beautiful cakes, cards and congratulations from you all and we would like to thank you for the these and the gifts in aid of the church funds which totalled £460.

Since our wedding day in 1976, memorable for Ruth's cycle ride for most of the morning and the rumble of the big end bearings in the Rolls Royce that replaced the Jaguar ordered to convey us to the reception, most of the big events in our life have been celebrated with you and this has been a great source of support and happiness for us both throughout our marriage.

With our love and thanks to you all for making this anniversary so special and enjoyable.

Colin and Keren.



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Adrian & Hilary Ball would like to thank everyone for their prayers for their 13-years old grandson, who has been diagnosed with Chronn's disease.

He is coping with not having any food, only special drinks, and we pray that he will not tire of these and give into having a small meal until the 6-8 weeks are up.

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The following letter was sent to Hilary Ball in reply to an email she sent Emma thanking for her service to The Girls' Club and Girls' Brigade. Hilary felt moved to share it with us.

Dear Hilary,

Thank you for your e-mail – it's made me feel proud and extremely privileged to have been given so many amazing opportunities over the years through the church.

Without the church and its youth groups I wouldn't have known about half the opportunities I've had. So, without the church I would not have been able to do any of them: Duke of Edinburgh's award, Young Leaders and an amazing trip to Zimbabwe to name but a few.

So, thank you to the church for these amazing memories and achievements. Volunteering at the Girls' Club is something I will really miss, especially seeing Alison's face every week. But good things end for amazing things to replace them!

I will still be at church from time to time. I may even see what The Junction is about a little bit more, as I am free Sundays now I have a new job.

Emma Newman

MISSING - NOT YET FOUND!

MISSING - 3 blue tablecloths (small size)

PLUS

65 white mugs

Any information or help in finding them would be greatly appreciated or it's small cups of tea and coffee after church.!

Contact Keren Hancox

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CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER

10.00 am – 1.00 pm

Various Stalls

Morning Coffee

Light lunches

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SUNDAY SERVICES

10.30 a.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

with Youth and Children's Ministry

6.30 p.m.

EVENING WORSHIP

HOLY COMMUNION

First Sunday of the month at 10.30 a.m.

Fourth Sunday of the month at 6.30 p.m.