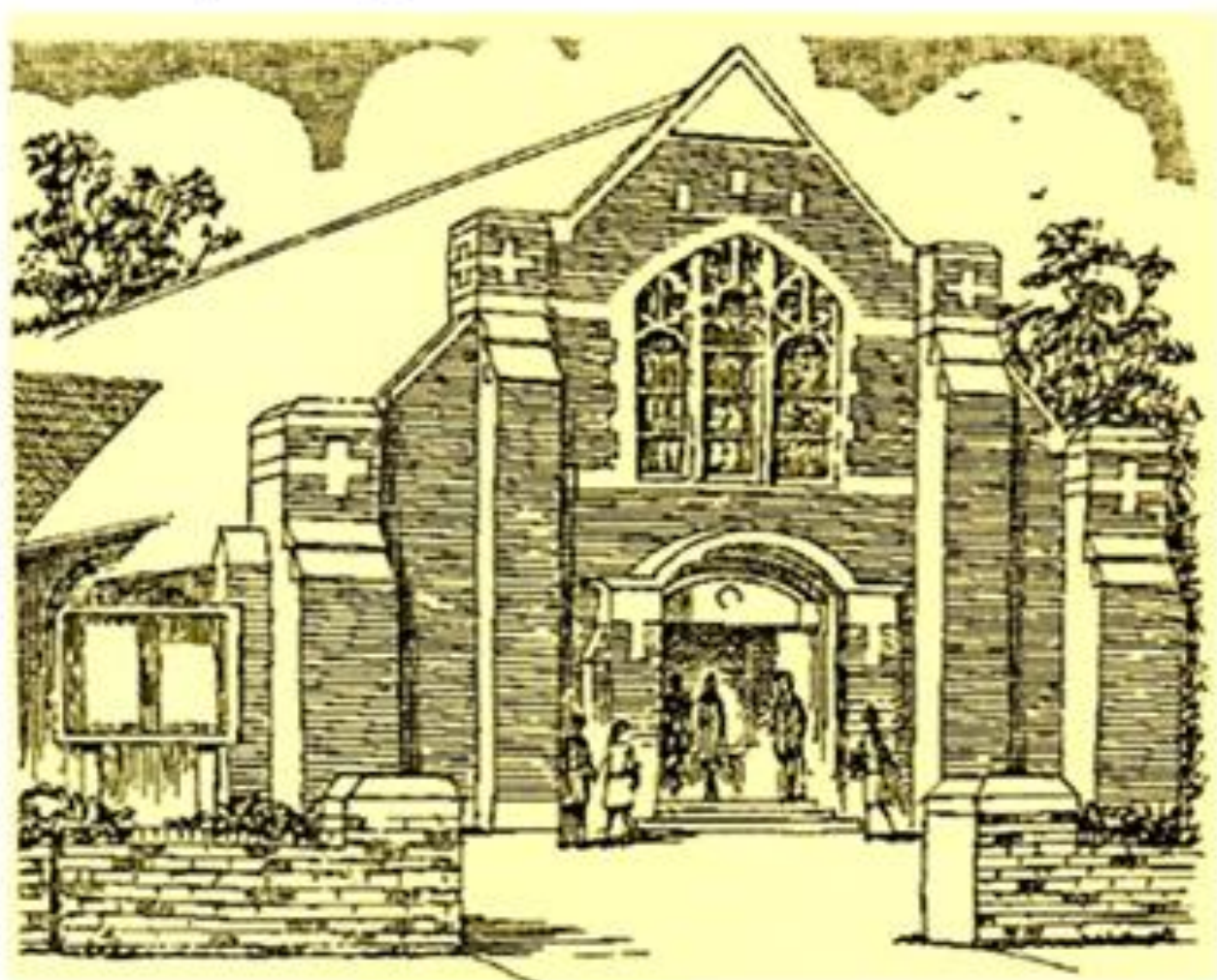


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Spring Newsletter 2020



**“The people of the Methodist Church,
Bromborough: Seeking to share their
experience of the spirit of Christ”**

Dear Friends

The sun is shining as I write this and the spring flowers I planted last year have reappeared bringing colour and life to the garden. Despite the recent storms that have brought misery to many nationally, they survived sustained by the life-giving elements in the earth.

We remember those affected by flood and pray that soon the colours and new life that Spring promises will brighten those difficult days of restoration.

We will walk through Lent during these days, reflecting on the ministry of Jesus and remembering the love of God revealed in him. We will also celebrate Easter, death defeated, a reminder that the darkness of despair can be replaced by hope and the promise of new life.

In all our seasons and situations we believe God is with us, an everyday God who walks beside us, wanting to bring colour and life wherever we are. He gives us the option to choose to receive his life-giving sustenance and to experience the new life of Spring.

Why not join us to reflect in Lent and/or to celebrate at Easter.

Barbara

Maundy Thursday

Origin of Maundy – The name Maundy is derived from the Latin word “Mandatum” meaning a Commandment.

Jesus Christ, at the Last Supper, commanded : “and now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.” John 15 : 12.

Maundy Thursday is the day before Good Friday.

Maundy Thursday Ceremony

In Britain today, the Queen follows a very traditional role of giving Maundy money to a group of Pensioners. This ceremony dates back to the reign of the sovereign Edward 1.

Every year on this day, the Queen attends a Royal Maundy service in one of the many Cathedrals throughout the country. Maundy money is distributed to male and female pensioners from local communities near the Cathedral where the Service takes place. The amount handed out and the number of receiving the coins is related to the years of the Sovereign’s life.

News from the BOYS’ BRIGADE

On January 11th 2020 we went to see Peter Pan at the Storyhouse in Chester, travelling by train, and as the weather was fine we walked to the theatre from the station. This was a good pantomime which was true to the story and all the boys had a great time. It was subsidised from our Battalion funds.

We have an outing to Mary Jones World in Bala planned for April.

Our badge work goes on week by week with the Juniors and Anchors working to new badge schemes. Some of the boys have been learning how to do Rag Rugging while others have been making felt puppets.

Our next planned fund raising event for Mary’s Meals and our sponsored school Mocho Primary in Malawi is our popular cream tea on **Saturday June 20th from 2.30-4.00pm** at Bromborough Methodist Church hall.

Handcrafted cards in aid of Mary’s Meals are usually on sale at the church coffee morning on the first Saturday of each month held in the fellowship room from 10.30-12 noon.

A warm welcome awaits everyone at both of these events.

The Boys’ Brigade meets every Friday at 6pm in Bromborough Methodist Church Hall. See website on page 8, click on contact us and then on bookings for any queries or questions to the editor.

Favourite Recipes**Pineapple Pudding****Ingredients**

425 g can of pineapple pieces.	300 ml milk approx...
50 g butter	50 g flour
125 g caster sugar	2 eggs, separated

Heat the oven to 325 degrees F / 160 degrees C/ gas mark 3.

Drain the syrup from the pineapple into a measure and make up to 450ml with milk.

Melt the butter in a saucepan, stir in the flour and cook for a minute.

Add the milk mixture and bring to the boil, stirring, until the sauce has thickened. Cook for 2 minutes, then stir in 40 g of the cater sugar until dissolved. Remove from the heat and beat in the egg yolks. Stir in the pineapple pieces and turn the mixture into a 1.5 litre oven proof dish.

Whisk the egg whites with a electric or hand rotary whisk until stiff, then whisk in the remaining sugar a teaspoonful at a time. Pile the meringue on top of the pineapple mixture, making sure that it comes right to the edge of the dish. Bake in the oven for about 30 minutes, until the meringue is a pale golden brown and crisp. This pudding should be served warm.

Serves 4 to 6 people.

Coconut Macaroons

4 oz desiccated coconut	1 Tablespoon Self Raising flour
3 Tablespoons caster sugar	1 egg

Mix the dry ingredients together and add the beaten egg, form into pyramids, place on a baking tray.

Cook for 15 minutes at 180 degrees C / gas mark 4.

The place of welcome regularly opens its doors at the front of our Church each Wednesday from 10.30 to 12.00 noon. You are welcome to come and have a tea or coffee and biscuits and spend a little time in friendly conversation. Somebody will always be there to greet you and make you feel welcome. There is no charge for sharing your time with us, other than the feeling of time well spent!

Mothering Sunday

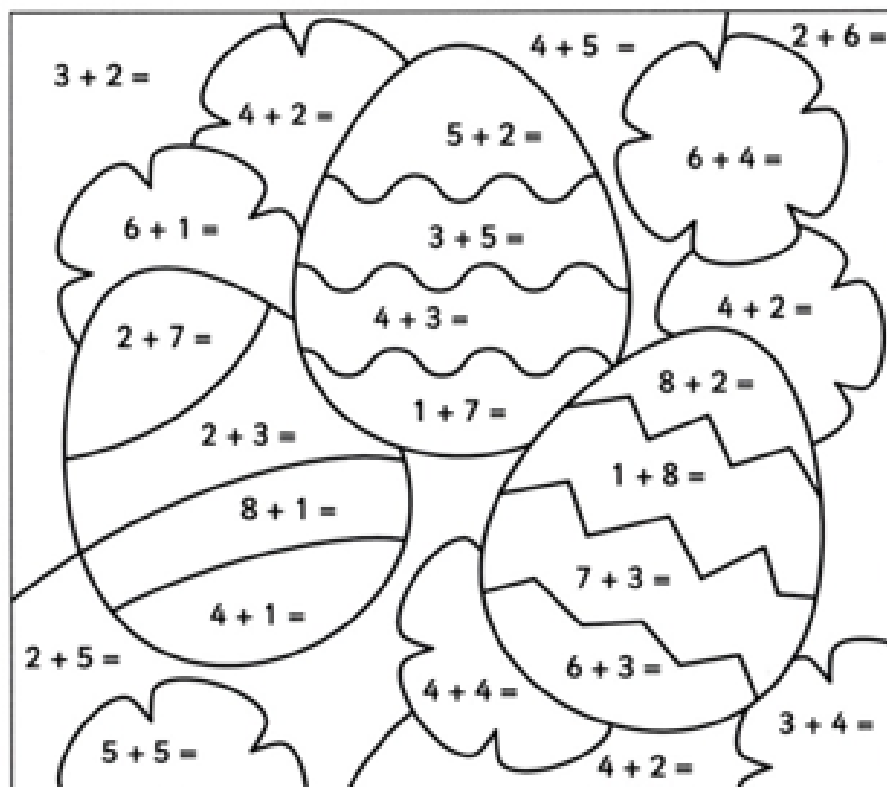
A Mother's love

A Mother's love is something that no one can explain,
It is made of deep devotion and of sacrifice and pain,
It is endless and unselfish and enduring come what may
For nothing can destroy it or take that love away....
It is patient and forgiving when all others are forsaking
And it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking...
It believes beyond believing when the world around condemns,
And it glows with all the beauty of the rarest, brightest gems...
It is far beyond defining, it defies all explanation,
And it still remains a secret like the mysteries of creation...
A many splendoured miracle man cannot understand
And another wondrous evidence of God's tender guiding hand.

Helen Steiner Rice

Mother's in the Bible

Sarah - the mother who waited.	Genesis Ch.21 v1-5
Rebekah - the mother who believed.	Genesis Ch.25 v21on
Leah and Rachel - the mothers who had to share	Genesis Ch.30
Hannah – the mother who kept her promise	1 Samuel Ch.1 v8
Elizabeth – the mother who believed in miracles	Luke Ch.1 v13-14 & 25
Mary – the mother who is blessed among women	Luke Ch.1 v 31



Easter Eggs Maths Facts Colouring Page

Solve the simple sums and then colour in the picture using the key below!

- 5 light blue
- 6 pink
- 7 orange
- 8 purple
- 9 green
- 10 yellow

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The Lord's Prayer for a child

**Father we know that you are in heaven, and that you look down upon us,
May we always think of you as holy and good, and realise that you have
our best interest at heart.**

May all that is your will for us be done, may you have control of our lives.

Please give us all the resources we will need to get us through this day.

**Forgive us all that we have done that is wrong, and help us to forgive those
who have done something that has hurt us.**

Help us to be sorry, when we are to blame.

Please keep us out of trouble today, help us not to look for it, or desire it.

Help us to treat others as we would love to be treated.

**Keep evil out of our lives. Keep love in. Help us to have respect for
everyone for everything belongs to you. Come fill us with your Holy Spirit,
who is your power in our lives and your life in us.**

For ever and ever. Amen. (copyright Sheila Hamil)

P7 Weekly Worship & Activities

Sunday	10:30am	Morning Worship and Junior Church
	6:30pm	Evening Worship (<i>United Service 4th Sunday in the month</i>)
Monday	4:15pm	Rainbow Guides
	6:00pm	1 st Bromborough Brownies
Tuesday	2:00pm	Friendship Group (<i>every two weeks</i>)
	6:30pm	1 st Bromborough Girl Guides
	7:30pm	Rangers
Wednesday	6:30pm	3 rd Bromborough Brownies
	7:45pm	Network (<i>First Wed. in the month</i>)
Thursday	10:00am	Toddlers Group
	2:30pm	Choral Group
Friday	6:00pm	Boys' Brigade Anchor Section
	6:00pm	Boys' Brigade Junior Section
	6:00pm	Boys' Brigade Company Section
Saturday	10:30am	Coffee Morning (<i>1st Sat. in the month</i>)
	10:30am	Toasty Church (<i>2nd Sat. in the month</i>)
	8:00pm	Late Night Lock In (<i>2nd Sat. in the month</i>)

Special Church Services this quarter

22nd March Mothering Sunday @10.30 am

Rev. Christine Jones

9th April Maundy Thursday @ 6.00pm

Group 6 Service @ Lower Bebington

10th April Good Friday @ 10.30 am

Meditation Service

Services March to May 2020

DATE	10.30 AM	6.30 PM
<i>1st March</i>	<i>Roger Staines</i>	<i>Rev. Sheila Prest</i>
<i>8th March</i>	<i>Rev. Barbara Banton.(Communion)</i>	<i>Rev. Vivienne Gasteen</i>
<i>15th March</i>	<i>Peter Colyer</i>	<i>Dr. Judy Ford</i>
<i>22nd March</i>	<i>Rev. Christine Jones (Mothering Sunday)</i>	<i>@St. Barnabas 4pm Ctog</i>
<i>29th March</i>	<i>Rev. Malcolm Daley</i>	<i>Rev.Barbara Banton Communion</i>
<i>5th April Palm Sunday</i>	<i>Pat Jones</i>	<i>Rev. Heather Cooper</i>
<i>12th April Easter Day</i>	<i>Rev.Barbara Banton Communion</i>	<i>Deacon Jenny Knight</i>
<i>19th April</i>	<i>Rev. John Barnett</i>	<i>Rev. Vivienne Gasteen</i>
<i>26th April</i>	<i>Andrew Boswell</i>	<i>@St.David's.Ctog</i>
<i>3rd May</i>	<i>Andrew Clough</i>	<i>Rev. Sheila Prest</i>
<i>10th May</i>	<i>Rev.Barbara Banton Communion</i>	<i>Prof. Neville Ford</i>
<i>17th May</i>	<i>Rev. Vivienne Gasteen</i>	<i>Dr. Judy Ford</i>
<i>24th May</i>	<i>Deacon Jenny Knight</i>	<i>@Christ the King 4 pm. Ctog</i>
<i>31st May</i>	<i>@ Prenton Grp.6 Service 11 am</i>	<i>Own Arrangement</i>

Ctog=Churches together

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