



Weekly News

7th November 2021

The Third Sunday before Advent

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Climate of injustice



Photo: tearfund.org/reboot

This is Orbisa, she is 35 and lives in Ethiopia with her children. She and her family work hard rearing goats and cattle to make a living, but in the past few years nine of her ten cows and nearly half of her goats have died. That's because the rains aren't coming as they used to, and droughts in the region are getting more severe. As the climate changes, it's pushing families like Orbisa's deeper into poverty.

In the Bible, Jesus tells us the most important commandments are to love God, and to love our neighbours. Tackling the climate crisis is vital to both of these - honouring God by protecting His creation and loving our global neighbours who are hit first and worst by what is now a climate emergency.

This year is critical, as the UK has hosted both the G7 summit in Cornwall in June and the UN climate talks in Glasgow this month. For the sake of people like Orbisa, this year has to be one when the world leaders respond urgently to climate change.

As Christians our first response may be to lament and pray, but we must also take action. Together we are able to make significant impacts by the choices we make to:

- eat differently – food that is local (so it's in season), organic, animal friendly (maybe some meat-free meals each week), fairly traded;
- travel differently – walk, cycle, use public transport or an electric or hybrid car;
- vote differently – in elections for greener policies; with your money - buying from sustainable retail brands; with your voice - speaking out about this issue.

We are at a turning point in history, and the decisions we make now will affect our economy, society and the climate for decades to come.



Rethink Support Group meets at St Peter's again

The Harrogate Rethink Support Group offers people living with mental illness and those who support them the chance to come together. Our friendly group meets once a month and offers a safe and welcoming space for people to share their experiences and socialise. Tea and coffee are provided and because we meet at lunchtime, many members bring their own lunch to enjoy as they talk. We have a wealth of fact sheets and information, including a resource library, which members can access, as well as information on other local services. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 10th November from 11:30 am – 1:15 pm in the Gallery at St Peter's. New members are always welcome.

Say it with Flowers

Why not mark a special occasion, such as an anniversary or birthday, by making a donation towards the flowers in Church? The St Peter's Flower Team will make an arrangement on the pedestal to the right of the altar, and you will also receive a mention in the Weekly News. Please speak to Sue Heapy for further details (07540 355305).



Made for Giving 2021

Join *Wellspring Therapy and Training* for their fundraising Refreshment Day on Saturday 13th November 10:00 am – 4:00 pm here at St Peter's with home baking and light lunches available and Christmas cards and craft items to buy. Then on Friday 19th November 7:00 – 9:00 pm at St Mark's Church, browse and buy, whilst enjoying live music, wine and nibbles. Or you could shop online at:

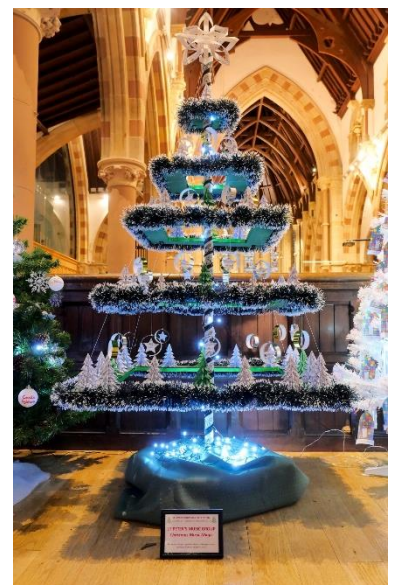
www.wellspringshop.squarespace.com.

The Christmas Tree Festival is returning to St Peter's!

The festival will take place between Saturday 4th and Saturday 11th December 2021. Come and view the festive display around Church and vote for your favourite! Be sure to hang a tag on the Tree of Remembrance. The winners of the Christmas Tree Festival will be announced at the 9:30 am service on Sunday 12th December.

It's not too late to enter a tree! The closing date is Monday 15th November. Please contact Annabel or Ellie for an entry form and further information: annabelhutchison@gmail.com or eleanorsmith27@gmail.com.

Editor's note: entry forms are available to [download from the website](#)



Harrogate School of Theology & Mission

Canon Dr Mark Powley, Principal of St Hild College, speaks on 'In Search of the Presence of God: *How We Meet God in Worship*'

This live lecture is at St Mark's Church on Saturday 20th November 2021, starting with a continental breakfast served from 9:30 am, then the lecture from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Tickets cost £8 per session (students £5) including breakfast and refreshments. Fees payable preferably in advance by the online booking system *Eventbrite* or on the day by contactless card or cheque. Visit hstm.org for full details.

Bell Ringers' Peal Attempt at St Peter's Church

Next week on Remembrance Sunday, 14th November, a band of bell ringers will attempt to ring a half-muffled peal in memory of all those who died in the two World Wars and subsequent conflicts. The attempt, which will be made on the eight bells of St Peter's Church, is being conducted by Barry Dove. It involves ringing around 5,000 different bell changes, without any interruption or significant mistakes of deviation or hesitation, and takes about three hours of continuous concentration to complete. The bell clappers will be muffled on one side in the traditional manner of ringing for remembrance. Ringing is expected to begin at 12:30 pm and, if all goes well, should finish around 3:30 – 4:00 pm. We wish them every success!



St Peter's Church
Wednesdays 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Starting 19th January 2022

Join us in 2022 #TryAlpha
Alpha.org/uk



A Night To Remember



A collaboration
between Wellspring
and Full Circle
Funerals



Friday 12th November 2021
7.00-9.15pm at Ripon Cathedral

You are invited to a spectacular evening of music that will stir the soul, showcasing a variety of musical ensembles and soloists, including renowned pianist, Julian Saphir and Soprano, Eleonore Kimberly.

Book your tickets at: www.wellspringtherapy.co.uk/events

Proceeds support the work of Wellspring Therapy & Training, a Harrogate charity that provides vital mental health support.

Today's Services: 7th November 2021

The Third Sunday before Advent

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity (BCP)

8:30 Holy Communion

9:30 Family Communion

*There is **no** Sunday Club for school age children today, but all children and their parents are welcome to gather in the café area, where there are Activity Bags to share during our Family Communion Service.*

Hymns 7 All Hail King Jesus; **364** Lord we give You praise; **418** Oh Jesus, I have promised; **362** Shine, Jesus, Shine

Readings Hebrews 9 v 24 to end
Mark 1 v 14 - 20

Preacher: Stewart Davies

Our Duty Wardens today are:

Carrie Brown
and Sian Lockwood

11:00 Choral Communion

Setting Ireland in C

Hymns 152, 600, 386, 621

Readings Jonah 3 v 1 – 5 and 10
Mark 1 v 14 - 20

Anthem Holy is the true light (*Harris*)

Preacher: Stewart Davies

4:15 pm Stepping Stone Service *Celtic Worship St Aidan*

Preacher: Chris Clayton

6:30 Choral Evensong

Setting Murrill in E

Hymns 388, 211 (omit *verse) 230

Psalm 136

Readings Isaiah 10 v 33 – 11 v 9
John 14 v 23 - 29

Anthem O how glorious is the kingdom (*Harwood*)

Preacher: Sue Pearce

This week's worship online

We are continuing to live stream the following services on Facebook and Zoom: 9:30 am Family Communion on Sundays (also available on *St Peter's YouTube channel* to watch later); and Morning and Evening Prayer at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from Monday to Saturday. To join in follow the [links](#) on our website.

Please pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Pat Anderson, Ruth Bowes, Graham Cornish, Geni Emrullahu, Louise Emrullahu, Pam Gardiner, Vicky Harrison, June Hemmings, Miriam Jones, Jackie Kelly, Charlie Martineau and Sheila Pantin.

Also in our prayers this week:

- Mon** Young people, to be supported, empowered and listened to as advocates for climate justice
St Aidan's CE High School
- Tues** The world's most vulnerable peoples, already suffering the effects of climate change
St Peter's Food Parcel Scheme
- Wed** The world's forests in need of protection and restoration
Those facing financial hardship
- Thurs** Global companies and multinationals to be conscious of how to make a positive impact
The booster vaccine centres
- Fri** COP26, that transformation and breakthrough will be achieved
The Prime Minister, Boris Johnson
- Sat** Courage and wisdom to lift our voices in the cause of climate justice
Alan Garrow, Vicar of St Peter's

Daily Readings

Morning Prayer is at 8:00 am and Evening Prayer at 5:00 pm daily. These are the Bible readings we will be using in Church each morning this week. Why not read them at home if you are unable to come to the service?

- Mon** *The Saints and Martyrs of England*
Psalm 20
Isaiah 5 v 8 - 24
Matthew 4 v 23 – 5 v 12
- Tues** Psalm 21
Isaiah 5 v 25 to end
Matthew 5 v 13 - 20
- Wed** *Leo the Great, Bishop of Rome, Teacher, 461*
Psalm 23
Isaiah 6
Matthew 5 v 21 - 37
- Thurs** *Martin, Bishop of Tours*
Psalm 26
Isaiah 7 v 1 - 17
Matthew 5 v 38 to end
- Fri** Psalm 32
Isaiah 8 v 1 - 15
Matthew 6 v 1 - 18
- Sat** *Charles Simeon, Priest, Evangelical Divine, 1836*
Psalm 33
Isaiah 8 v 16 – 9 v 7
Matthew 6 v 19 to end

The Collect for the Third Sunday before Advent (Common Worship)

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Collect for the Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity (Book of Common Prayer)

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness: Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

What's on This Week

St Peter's Church is open for private prayer from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm every day except Sundays.

- Mon 8th** 1:30 – 3:00 pm *Thinking about God* discussion group in The Gallery. Contact Paul Gill (07580 310971)
2:00 pm The U3A Singing Folk group
6:00 pm AA meeting in the Music Room
- Tues 9th** **12:00 – 12:30 pm Healing Service**
- Wed 10th** **10:30 – 11:00 am Café RefleXions**
11:30 – 1:15 pm *Harrogate Rethink Support Group* in the Gallery
7:30 pm Harrogate Harmony Men's Chorus
- Thurs 11th** 9:30 – 11:00 am Toddler Group
11:00 am Holy Communion
7:30 pm St Peter's Choir Practice
- Fri 12th** 9:30 am AA meeting in the Music Room
- Sat 13th** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm **Made for Giving 2021** *Wellspring Therapy and Training* are serving refreshments all day – hot drinks, home baking and light lunches – with Christmas Cards and craft items by local artists and makers to buy.
- Sun 14th** **The Second Sunday before Advent**
Remembrance Sunday
12:30 – 3:30 pm Full Bell Peal for Remembrance Sunday
1:00 – 1:30 pm Sunday Lunch
5:30 – 7:00 pm **Sanctuary**, our Youth group, are meeting in the Brostoff Hall. Come and check out the **NEW** Table Tennis Table and sign up for next week's *Bring and Share: Food from around the world*.

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The Second Sunday before Advent
Remembrance Sunday

- 8:30 Holy Communion
9:30 Family Communion
10:50 **Remembrance Service**
4:15 Stepping Stones Service
– Holy Communion
6:30 Choral Evensong

The Breakfast Club provides a free, hot breakfast from Monday to Saturday (8:20 – 8:45 am) for all those who are hungry or in need.

A hot **Sunday Lunch** is served from 1:00 – 1:30 pm.

Hot food is available 4:30 – 4:50 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Our mini Supermarket is on Thursdays 4:30 – 4:50 pm.

The Time is NOW: Christian Aid & friends from Glasgow Cathedral



Monday 8th November 2021 from 7:00 – 8:30 pm

As the world gathers in Glasgow for COP26, join **Christian Aid** as we gather for music, prayer and inspiration to work together for a world of climate justice. With addresses from Dr Rowan Williams, the Young Christian Climate Network, Dr Robert Beckford, young climate activists from Uganda and more; plus a special performance from The Kingdom Choir, join us, in-person at **Glasgow Cathedral** or **online**, in this special event as we stand together with the global community to ensure global leaders respond urgently to the global climate emergency. Sign up by following the link at www.christianaid.org.uk/news/big-moment-events-yccn-relay.

The Real Advent Calendar

The Real Advent Calendar was created in 2013 in response to surveys which revealed that 36% of 5 - 7 year olds did not know whose birthday was celebrated at Christmas. To help spread the Christmas story *The Real Advent Calendar* has a line of the Christmas story behind each of the 25 doors and a corresponding page in the Christmas story-activity book which expands the story.



Children love the Fairtrade chocolate and enjoy reading the book with their parents and learning more about the Christmas story and traditions. The calendar is no longer available in supermarkets, so please order direct from www.realadvent.co.uk.

A sneaky peek behind the scenes ...



St Peter's Players have worked so hard to put on their performance of Oliver! – here they are rehearsing on Tuesday. Last year the whole thing had to be postponed because of the lockdowns and restrictions of the pandemic; this year COVID-19 has still had a massive impact, but they have carried on. On the front row (left to right) Oliver Longstaff (Bill Sykes), Emma Robinson (Nancy), Ralph Williamson (Oliver), Zak Armour (The Artful Dodger) and John Hain (Fagin and also the director), surrounded by other members of the cast. Well done to everyone!

Refreshments are served after each of our Sunday morning services from the kitchen area at the front of Church. Please come and join us.



Giving to support the work of St Peter's Church

No collection is taken during our services, but a plate is left by the door for your offering in support of the mission and ministry of this Church. If you would prefer to give by card, there is a contactless card machine in the South Transept. If you prefer to set up a bank transfer, please use these account details:

St Peter's Church PCC Harrogate

Sort Code: 53-50-21

Account No: 67137628

or **download a Planned Giving Form** from the website. **THANK YOU!**

CORRECTION:

In last week's edition we said Tony Robinson was to be the speaker at Monday's Afternoon Fellowship. It was, of course, Tony Wilson. Apologies to both gentlemen!

Welcome to St Peter's Church



*You can join us
online or
in person*

New to St Peter's? Please fill in one of the welcome cards in the pews and hand it to one of the Clergy.

Next Week's Deadline

The deadline for the next edition of the Weekly News (14th November) will be noon on Wednesday 10th November. Please send any items (including photos) to Alan Garrow **or** to Marian Chambers (addresses below).

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