



In order for the light to shine so brightly, the darkness must be present.

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ALDERMANS GREEN FREE METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Jude and Gloria would like to thank everyone for their support during the production of the Newsletter and would welcome any comments, ideas and feedback.

April – May 2013

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FLOWER ROTA

April		
7th	June Guest	June
14th	Audrey White	
21st	Anne Lively	Rita
28th	Pauline Gray	Pat
May		
5th	D. Williscroft	Rita
12th	Sue Over	Val
19th	Lynn and	Stuart
26th	R. Woodward	Rita

Dates for the diary:

QUIZ NITE

7:00pm Saturday May 4st

Donations in aid of Mission Aviation Fellowship
Will be collected on the night.
Nibbles provided but bring your own drink.
Please see Ronald Woodward or Anne Lively for more details.

FELLOWSHIP EVENING

at Fife St Church
On Saturday 11th May at 6:30pm,
Including Joint Choir
All welcome —
Come and enjoy a great evening of fellowship
With our sister churches in the area

COVENTRY PENTECOST CELEBRATION AND FAIR

Saturday May 18th

Broadgate from 11:00am – 3:00pm Finale 2:30pm – United Worship led by band and choir. Celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit with other Christians in our City Centre.

A mixture of gifted singers and bands plus drama and dance on stage, Display stands/gazebos including citywide ministries to investigate!

SERVICES



April 14th – Youth Celebration at 11:00am only, Preacher Rev. Peter Norton

April 21st 11:00am – Dr. Roger Gadsby April 21st 6:00pm – Ian Randle

All other services during April and May Reverend Peter Norton



First Sunday of each month – Evening Service Third Sunday of each month – Morning Service

Dear Friends,

Like so many people I have been thinking of the weather and asking myself when will we see something of spring in the air?

I suppose that when it comes to changes we feel uncomfortable and the unpredictable weather at the moment puts us on edge.

The farmers have lost animals to the cold, some fields that should be showing signs of green shoots have been re-ploughed for another crop, people are suffering because of the cold and it seems no-one has an idea of what is coming next.

We can explain why after the events have occurred but are not able to predict what is to come accurately.

Some would say that they would like to know what is coming, whilst others look forward to the unpredictable future, the adventure of it all.

In Psalm 139 we read of the knowledge of God in that he knows what will happen in our lives, what we think, what we are going to say before we say it. The Psalmist goes on to say "Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain."

We see in the same Psalm how fearfully and wonderfully we are made and for us to understand what God has made may be beyond our ability; however we are able to have this relationship with the creator and in the end ask, as does the Psalmist, "See if there is any offensive way in me, and <u>lead</u> me in the way everlasting."

If we are willing to be lead by God then it is he who holds the future and our fears may be laid down as we trust him to take us through life's ups and downs.

I cannot tell you when spring will truly begin or summer show its warmth to us but I know that if we trust God he will give all we need for the life he has blessed us with.

God bless you

Peter

PRAYER MEETINGS

7:30pm - 8:30pm on Wednesday

April 3rd May 1st

WORSHIP GROUP PRACTICES

7:30pm at the church

April 4th & 18th May 2nd, 16th & 30th

HOME GROUP

Join us for Bible study and discussion, Meeting on Wednesdays at 7:30pm

April
10th David & Helen
24th Ernie & Sue

May
8th Audrey
22nd Anne

HOME and OVERSEAS MISSIONS

Quiz night May 4th

On the 1st Sunday of the month a retiring plate will be left at the back of the church for offerings which to go towards our overseas missionary work.