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Halifax Group Magazine

Carlton Heath New Hope Providence



December 2016

Our vision is to know, love, live and share Jesus, for a better world.

'The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel, which means, God with us.'

Matthew 1.23 (NIV)

Dear friends,

Once when I was looking up the nine lessons and carols on the internet, my google search found a show entitled, 'Nine Lessons and Carols for Godless people'. I looked at the site out of curiosity and discovered a write up in the New Humanist magazine, which said the show was, 'produced by the Rationalist Association, a charity dedicated to reason, science, secularism and humanism.'

In the article, several comedians and others such as scientist Brian Cox, gave their take on what they thought of Christmas, science and religion. There was the odd rude word, but mostly they expressed the wonder of the universe, nature, science and human reasoning. One musician confessed to being agnostic, Galileo was after all a devout Catholic. Yet he wasn't really bothered what was true.

Another musician said, 'Christmas is, as we all know, named after Father Christmas and is thus founded on a childish falsehood. I celebrate the far more rational Xmas instead.' I wondered if he was unaware of what Christmas is really all about, or just taking the Mickey! Yet he echoed a number of the comedians who spoke about faith as just wishing magic could happen when it cannot really, of believing in a story that is really unbelievable.

When my children believed in Father Christmas, a long time ago now, I often thought how difficult it would be when they came not to believe in him, to help them understand that the real Christmas story is true. It is hard to explain that God really did come to us as a tiny baby, to show the world how

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much God loves us, while so many around do not believe, and education in most schools mocks the unbelievable.

It is good to remind ourselves why we believe in the Christmas story and what difference it makes to our lives. For some it is because we have always believed, having been brought up in the Church; for some it is through an experience of God; for others, it is because the Bible makes sense; for still others, it is because we look at the intricate creation around us and believe it must have been created by design and we have chosen to believe in the God of creation, along with over 40% of astrophysicists. It is after all as rational to believe in God as to believe that the universe has come about by pure chance.

The Christmas story is unbelievable. And yet we believe. This Christmas we celebrate as every year, the God who has come among us in such an unexpected and humble way, to win back our hearts and our lives. Let us be proud to believe in God Immanuel.

Wishing you all a joy filled Christmas and new year,
Clare <><

Clare's annual leave

I will be taking a few days off after Christmas with the bank holidays, including Sunday 1st January.

Leading your Church into Growth conference

As reported in the last magazine, Cynthia Feather and I went on this conference, a Church of England initiative that has been going for several years. Our Synod Evangelist, Rev Ashley Evans, encouraged a number of us to go from the Synod, all paid for from Synod funds. 19 of us went, including 2 from a Church without a Minister.

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The conference took place at The Hayes conference centre in Swanwick. Beautiful surroundings. Comfortable ensuite rooms, with a kettle in each, of course. The food was excellent, and lots of it!

That aside, it was a very valuable conference, which Cynthia and I will be presenting to New Hope Church, and will feed into the other Churches sometime in the new year. Synod are already planning to send more to the conference in 2017, although will only be able to fund half of each place, so it will be up to Churches to fund half to send delegates.

You may have heard me go on about the 4P's, most Elders have, and many have seen the leaflet produced by Ashley Evans. They come from the conference material. They are Prayer, Presence, Proclamation and Persuasion, the latter not in the negative sense but in inviting those who are interested to a course to find out more.

Prayer underpins it all, something else I've been going on about this last year, for all our Churches to do more of, especially praying for our outreach. At the conference, we were encouraged to get our Churches to pray this prayer:

*God of Mission who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions, and power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local
community, Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

We were encouraged to get our congregations to pray it at home every day, for our Churches to pray it every Sunday, and to pray it before the start of every meeting. That is what I propose to do at every meeting I chair, and will be bringing it into worship on most Sundays wherever I am. We will also be

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giving the prayer out at each Church, meanwhile please begin to pray it daily.

We were reminded at the conference that it is God's work, not ours, so we need to bring it all to Him on prayer, and be willing to work with Him on His mission.

Clare

Ever wonder about the abbreviation A.S.A.P.?

Generally we think of it in terms of even more hurry and stress in our lives. Maybe if we think of this abbreviation in a different manner, we will begin to find a new way to deal with those rough days along the way.

There's work to do, deadline to meet;
You've got no time to spare,
But as you hurry and scurry-
ASAP-ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER.

In the midst of family chaos,
"Quality time" is rare.
Do your best; let God do the rest-
ASAP-ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER.

It may seem like your worries
Are more than you can bear.
Slow down and take a breather-
ASAP-ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER.

God knows how stressful life is;
He wants to ease our cares,
And He'll respond to all your needs
ASAP-ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER

This prayer is powerful. Prayer is one of the best gifts we receive. There is no cost but a lot of rewards, let's continue to pray for one another.

Pulpit Supply December 2016

- Dec. 4th Communion Service led by Rev J Jenkinson
Dec. 11th Joint service at Providence
Dec. 18th Parade service led by Mrs Dawn Walker
Dec. 25th Joint service at Providence



Pulpit list

Heath URC, Free School Lane. 10.30am

December 2016

- 4 Rev Clare Davison – Toy Service and Parade
- 11 Rev Daphne Hull
- 11 6.00pm – Carols by Candlelight
- 18 Rev John Jenkinson - Communion
- 25 Rev John Jenkinson- Christmas Day

January 1st – No Service at Heath

Activities in December

Monday 5 December – 2.00pm – Sing for Fun – Singing Group

Tuesday 6 December – 7.30pm – Elders' Meeting at Rufford Villas

Wednesday 7 December – 7.00pm – Youth Music at Heath

Thursday 8 December– 8.00pm Thursday Club – Christmas Party

Sunday 11 December – 4.00pm – Messy Church

Monday 12 December - Sing for Fun – Singing Group

Tuesday 13 December - 12 noon Stroke Club Luncheon Club- ring 330320 to book

Monday 19 December – 2.00pm – Sing for Fun – Singing Group

Tuesday 20 December - 10.30am – Community Coffee Club

Advance Notice – Thursday 12th January 7.30pm – Sundown Swing Band £7

Weekly Events

HEATH CONTINUED

Monday

9.30am

Toddlers

5.45pm

Beaver Scouts 5-8yrs

6.30pm

Cub Scouts 8-10yrs

Friday

7.00pm

Scouts 10-14yrs

7.30pm

Explorer Scouts

Monday Tuesday, Thursday Friday - Heath Stroke Club

REFORM MAGAZINE

This is an interesting magazine produced by the URC with articles about church matters, political issues and book reviews and many other interesting facts. There are copies at the back of the church for those who want to see what it is like. It costs £25 per year for 10 issues. I am now taking orders for next year. If anyone would like to be added to the list please let me know. Jean Bull



Luncheon Club



Do you like a fresh home cooked meal?

What about a good natter?

How about meeting new people?

Making lifelong friends?

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2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month**

at Manor Drive, Halifax, HX3 ODN

Courtesy of Heath Stroke Club Care Services

Call 01422 330320 to book your place

December 2016

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- Dec. 4th Mrs Juliet Foster (Communion)
11th Mr David Truswell
18th Rev Clare Davison (Parade)
25th Mr Allan Jowett (9.30 a.m.)

Church Meeting

The next Church Meeting will be on Friday 2nd December at 2.00pm.

The next Elders Meeting will be on Friday 16th December at 10am.

Friendship Hour

Our meetings start at 2.30pm but please come earlier at 2.15pm and join us with a cup of tea or coffee.

The meeting on 14th December will be "The Christmas Party at Church". There will be no meeting on 28th December.

Fellowship Hour

On Wednesday December 7th at 2.00pm we shall meet for prayer and discussion.

Rainbows and Brownies are having a **CHRISTMAS FAIR** on **TUESDAY 6TH DECEMBER** starting at **6.00pm** All are welcome.

NEW HOPE CONTINUED

West Halifax Churches Together are having their Advent service, "Still before Christmas" on Wednesday, 30th November at Christ Church, Pellon at 7-30 p.m. This service is to be led by Revd. Clare Davison. This is always a good beginning as we lead up to Christmas.

Tony King is arranging community Carol Singing on Wednesday, 14th December 6-30 p.m. till 7-30 p.m. Hopefully this will be in the park around the monument, but if not it will be in our Community Hall.

Monday, 19th December, Churches Together will be Carol singing at ASDA, 6-30 p.m. till 7-30 p.m. Please come along and join us. This a good opportunity to witness for Christ bringing the true meaning of Christmas to the people as they shop.

We are holding a Carol Service on the Wednesday before Christmas, 21st December at 7 p.m. in our Church. Please come along.

As it is traditional our Christmas Day Service will be at 9-30 a.m.

NEW HOPE CONTINUED

Christmas Tree Legend

It seems to be generally recognised that the people who lived in what is now Germany were the first to develop the tradition of the Christmas tree. Many legends exist about its origins. One is the story of Saint Boniface, an English monk who organised the Christian church in France and Germany. One day travelling through Germany, he came upon a group of pagans gathered round a great oak tree about to sacrifice a child to their god. In anger, and to stop the sacrifice and to save the child's life, Boniface felled the tree with one mighty blow of his fist, in its place grew a small fir tree. The saint told the pagan worshippers that the tiny fir was the Tree of Life and stood for the eternal life of Christ. Martin Luther is credited with first placing candles on the Christmas tree. After his banishment from the Catholic church he spent a great deal of time walking through the forests of evergreen conifers thinking through his beliefs. He was awed by the beauty of millions of stars glimmering through the trees, and was so taken by the sight that he cut a small tree and took it home to his family. To recreate the effect of the stars, he placed candles on all its branches.

NEW HOPE CONTINUED

This piece of work entitled “Handel’s Christmas Masterpiece” was written by Marie King and published in 1980. The aging composer, bowed by misfortune, wandered the lonely streets of London nightly in hopeless despair. Only memories of his past glory, when the brilliant man was touted by the court society of London and Europe, were left to him and it now seemed his musical genius was gone forever. George Frederick Handel, once the favourite of kings and queens, had been forced into bankruptcy and had become a pauper. One bitterly cold morning during the winter of 1741 Handel returned to his lodgings to find a thick package on the table. It contained a text made up of scripture verses from the librettist, Charles Jennens. Dazed by cold and hunger, Handel listlessly leafed through the pages.

“Comfort ye, comfort ye, My people, saith your God Behold! A virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Emmanuel, God with us The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given and His name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, The Mighty God Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened . . .” Excitedly, he read on. “He was despised and rejected of men a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief I know that my redeemer liveth King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah!”

The words burned into his soul and struck a responsive chord within him. He rushed to the piano with pencil in hand and began to write the music to the immortal *Messiah*. For two weeks he laboured incessantly. Handel saw no one. At last he finished the great oratorio and a friend was admitted to his room. Tears were

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streaming down his face.

“I did think I did see all Heaven before me, and the great God Himself,” he declared at the completion of the glorious “Hallelujah Chorus.”

The composition was first heard in Dublin where it was an overwhelming triumph. Several weeks later it was again a tumultuous success in London. During this performance the King, carried away by the glory of the great “Hallelujah Chorus,” rose to his feet and the audience followed his example! Today, audiences all over the world still rise and remain standing during this Chorus. In succeeding years, George Frederick Handel became blind, ill and poor. But the composer of the great masterpiece never again permitted his misfortunes to overcome his spirit.

One evening in April, at the age of seventy-four, Handel collapsed during a performance of the *Messiah*. Handel went to be with his heavenly Father forever on April 13, 1759.

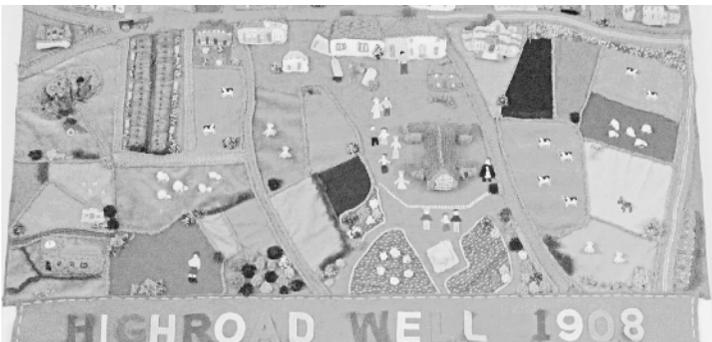
New Year's Eve Party

Averil and Alan invite anyone who wishes from the group to join them on New Year's Eve

50, Whitehill Road, Illingworth. from 7-30 p.m. onwards. (244946). As usual there will be

A Charity Box for Malawi.

Alan



NEW HOPE CONTINUED

THE 24/7 SOCIETY

Society is now split into two halves:

1. The random access people who click onto whatever takes their fancy at any time – They could even click a YouTube sermon on any subject at any time or their favourite hymn or the Railway Children or anything!
2. The ordered life people who enjoy structure and organisation .

This latter group of people are mainly older types seeking solace in routine.

To attract a younger cohort of people to the church it must become more random in its approach. People now live in their I-pads and I-phones. Time for Church is being gobbled up in a welter of Netflix, tweets, skype, blogs, I-player and 621? TV Channels. What chance does the sermon on the mount have?

Mike Riley.

STAYING WELL

WARLEY WARD

Over 50's Event

For residents from Warley Town, Highroad Well, Norton Tower, Pellon, Mount Pellon, Fountain Head Village, and Mount Tabor....

FREE TASTER ACTIVITIES AND BUFFET LUNCH INCLUDED.

FIND OUT WHAT'S ON IN YOUR AREA!

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 7th
10am—2pm**

At the Halifax Academy Primary School, Spring Hall Lane,
HX1 4TW.

If you would like to attend please call the number below
and book a place.

Sometimes you just want a brew and something to do..

**CONTACT Hayley Conlon or Tony King on
01422 255402 or email hayley.conlon@calderdale.gov.uk**

December

- 4th – Alison Dobson (Toy Service)
- 11th – Mrs. Juliet Foster (Communion)
- 18th – Worship Group Carol Service
- 25th – Rev. Clare Davison (Christmas Day Service)

Providence Diary

December

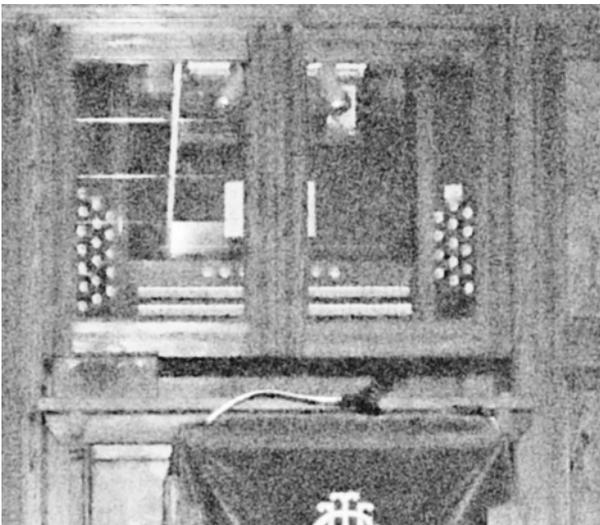
Friday's – 6.30pm Brownies

Monday 12th – 12.00pm for 12.30pm Christmas Lunch
(Windmill Court)

Saturday 17th - Carol Singing at Morrison;s

Sunday 18th – 12.30pm Christmas Lunch in Church

The Garden Gang has now retired for the winter, so many thanks to all who have worked hard throughout the summer keeping the church grounds looking good.



PROVIDENCE CONTINUED

TOY SERVICE

On Sunday December 4th we will hold our annual Toy Service. We are again asked to bring a new toy (unwrapped.) These will be distributed by the Salvation Army to families who would otherwise get very little at Christmas. As they get more toys for younger children it would be good to get something suitable for an older child but anything will be welcomed.

CAROL SINGING

Providence will be joining Churches Together in North Halifax from 11.00am to 12.00 midday, to sing carols in Morrison's Supermarket on Saturday December 17th to raise money for the homeless. The foyer at Morrison's has no heating so do wear plenty of warm clothing!

CHRISTMAS LUNCHESES

This year there will be two Christmas lunches for the church to enjoy!

Following last year's very enjoyable meal we have again booked at Windmill Court, Ogden. This is on Monday December 12th 12 00 for 12.30 pm and the cost will be £14.95. Please give your name to Sue, with your choices, by December 4th

Then, following the Carol Service on Sunday December 18th there will be our Christmas Buffet Lunch at Church, price £8.00 per person. It would be helpful if you could let Sue know if you intend to be there.

Windermere Centre: Use it or lose it.

You will all be aware of the Windermere Centre owned by the URC. What you may not know, is that it is threatened with closure in May 2017 because Mission Council feels it is being under-used and therefore costing money which could be better spent elsewhere.

In order to help keep this valuable resource we are wondering how many of our congregations would be interested in a couple of days stay at the centre. This could be any date subject to existing bookings.

The centre is a lovely place and it is such a pity that our group have never actually used it, at least not in my time with the group. It has very comfortable facilities and is wheelchair friendly. It is important to note that it is on a "pay what you can" basis so is not out of the financial reach of anyone. If enough are interested transport can be arranged so no need to worry about travelling, and we will have "wee" stops.

There are courses run by the centre but we could arrange our own itinerary which need not be of a religious nature and any suggestions would be welcome.

First we need to find the level of interest before any other action can be taken so could secretaries please ask their congregations about this venture.

With so much change going on in the group, it would be a useful tool to help us all to gell again and make a brand new start, perhaps leading to more group-wide activities.

Ken Wolfenden

NORMA'S WORDSEARCH

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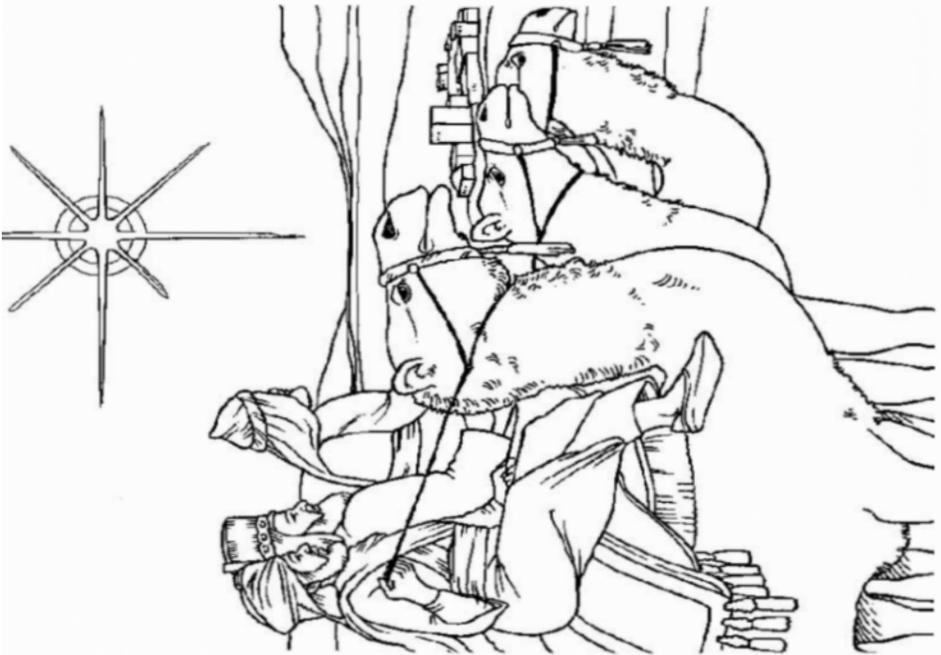
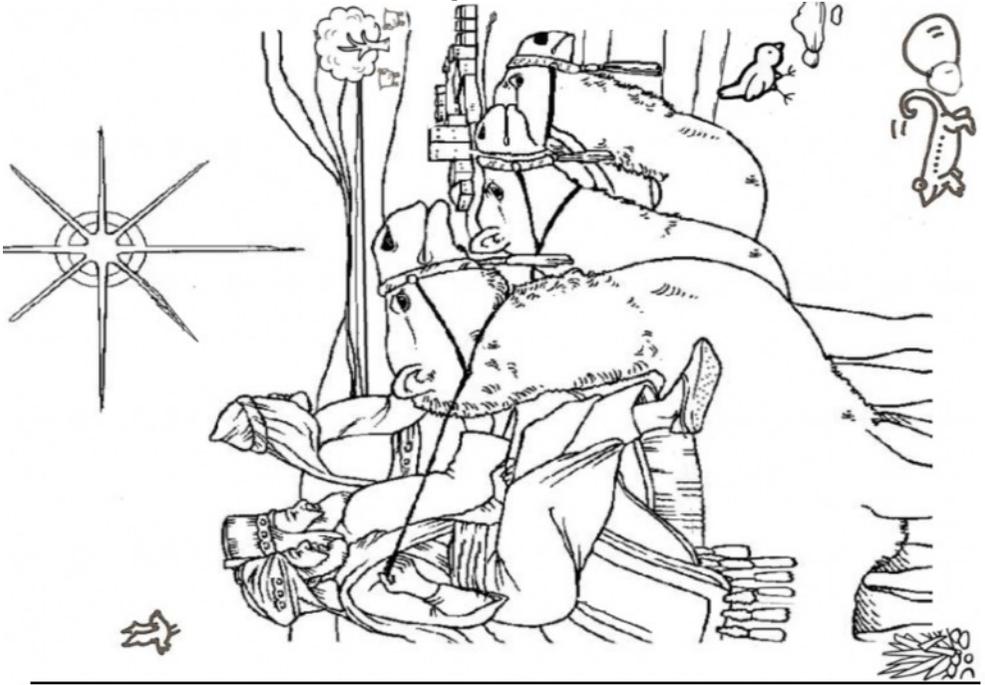
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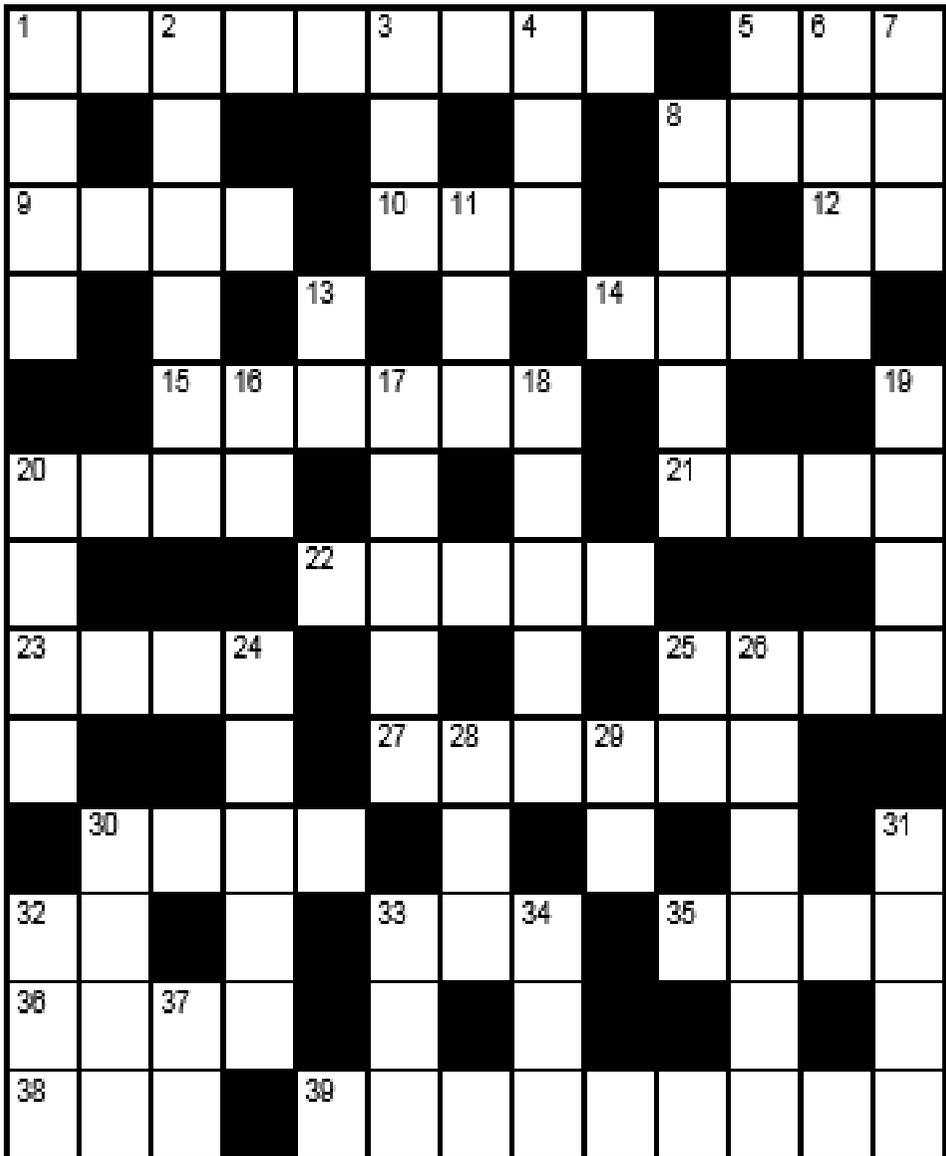
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When all the words have been found work out the message with the left over letters.

Can you spot at least 20 differences between the 2 pictures.



CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD



CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD CLUES

Across

- 1 Jesus' birthplace (9)
- 5 Herod slew the children of this age and under (3)
- 8 Peter quoted his words on the day of Pentecost (4)
- 9 "A ___ shaken with the wind" (4)
- 10 "Ye shall find ___ babe wrapped in swaddling clothes" (3)
- 12 The year from Jesus' birth (2)
- 14 Anna was of this tribe (as recorded in Luke) (4)
- 15 "Behold, a ___ shall be with child" (6)
- 20 "Fruits ___ for repentance" (4)
- 21 The wise men came from here (4)
- 22 "He shall reign of the house of ___ for ever" (5)
- 23 A female ancestor of Jesus, as recorded in Matthew 1 (4)
- 25 The amount of manna to be gathered per person (4)
- 27 He multiplied the widow's oil (6)
- 30 "As soon as the voice of thy salvation sounded in mine ___" (4)
- 32 An altar meaning witness (Joshua 22) (2)
- 33 To increase (3)
- 35 Malarial fever (4)
- 36 To guide (4)
- 38 There was no room here (3)
- 39 These men went to see the baby Jesus (9)
- 13 "A pair of turtledoves ___ two young pigeons" (2)
- 16 "That ___ might be fulfilled" (2)
- 17 "The ___ of God was upon him" (5)
- 18 Mother-in-law of 23 (5)
- 19 This went before the wise men (4)
- 20 The mother of Jesus (4)
- 24 He was king at the time of Jesus' birth (5)
- 25 "___ that one would hear me!" (2)
- 26 Jesus was laid in this (6)
- 28 The spirit did this to Jesus in the wilderness (3)
- 29 Thus (2)
- 30 The first garden (4)
- 31 "Where is he that is born king of the ___?" (4)
- 32 A priest in the time of Samuel (3)
- 33 A tree of the olive family (3)
- 34 To put into water (3)
- 37 "___ angel of the Lord appeareth" (2)

Down

- 1 "Mary, of whom was ___ Jesus" (4)
- 2 Jesus' age when he was taken to Jerusalem (6)
- 3 Jesus did not do this in the wilderness (3)
- 4 Adam's wife (3)
- 5 "Mary was espoused ___ Joseph" (2)
- 6 "They that ___ soft clothing are in kings' houses" (4)
- 7 Zacharias said, "I am an ___ man" (3)
- 8 Grandson of 23 (5)
- 11 A place near Bethel (3)

SMILE LINES

Church Notices that didn't quite make it.....

Bible sense - Being married to a woman who reads her Bible can have its drawbacks. When a man protested to his wife that wiping dishes was not a man's job, his wife replied simply: "2 Kings 21:13", and handed him a tea towel. Later he looked it up: 'And I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it and turning it upside down'

Permission - Extract from an official letter notifying residents of a new boundary road: 'It is hoped to take the new by-pass through the old cemetery, provided we can get permission from various bodies concerned.

Next Sunday - Mrs Vinnson will be soloist for the Morning Service. The Pastor will then speak on "Its a Terrible Experience.

Weight Watchers - will meet at 7pm at the Church Hall. Please use the large double door at the back entrance.

This Afternoon - there will be a meeting in the South and North ends of the Church. Children will be Baptised at both ends.

The Rosebud - on the alter this morning is to announce the birth of David Alan Belzer, the son of Rev. and Mrs Julius Belzer,

The Service will close with "Little Drops of Water" One of the Ladies will start quietly and the rest of the Congregation will join in.

The Music - for Today's Service was all composed by George Friedrich Handel in celebration of the 300th anniversary of his birth,

Answers

Norma's Wordsearch

Christmas greetings to all our readers and
a happy new year

December 2016

Solution

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Across: 1 Bethlehem, 5 Two, 8 Joel,
9 Reed, 10 The, 12 Ad, 14 Aser,
15 Virgin, 20 Meet, 21 East, 22 Jacob,
23 Ruth, 25 Omer, 27 Elisha, 30 Ears,
32 Ed, 33 Add, 35 Ague, 36 Lead, 38 Inn,
39 Shepherds.

Down: 1 Born, 2 Twelve, 3 Eat, 4 Eve,
5 To, 6 Wear, 7 Old, 8 Jesse, 11 Hai,
13 Or, 16 It, 17 Grace, 18 Naomi, 19 Star,
20 Mary, 24 Herod, 25 Oh, 26 Manger,
28 Led, 29 So, 30 Eden, 31 Jews, 32 Eli,
33 Ash, 34 Dip, 37 An.

GROUP CALENDAR

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>What's on</u>
Fri. Dec. 2 nd	2.00pm	New Hope	Church Meeting
Mon. Dec. 5 th	2.00pm	Heath	Sing for Fun
Tue. Dec. 6 th	6.00pm	New Hope	Rainbows & Brownies Christmas Fair
Tue. Dec. 6 th	7.30pm	Heath	Elders Meeting at Rufford Villas
Wed. Dec. 7 th	7.00pm	Heath	Youth Music at Heath
Thur. Dec. 8 th	8.00pm	Heath	Thursday Club Christmas Party
Sun. Dec. 11 th	4.00pm	Heath	Messy Church
Sun. Dec. 11 th	6.00pm	Heath	Carols by Candlelight
Mon. Dec. 12 th	12 for 12.30pm	Providence	Christmas Lunch
Mon. Dec. 12 th	2.00pm	Heath	Sing for Fun
Tue. Dec. 13 th	12 noon	Heath	Stroke Club Luncheon Club
Wed. Dec. 14 th	2.30pm	New Hope	Friendship Hour
Wed. Dec. 14 th	6.30pm	New Hope	Carols in the Park
Fri. Dec. 16 th	10.00am	New Hope	Elders Meeting
Sun. Dec. 18 th	12.30pm	Providence	Lunch in Church
Mon. Dec. 19 th	2.00pm	Heath	Sing for Fun
Tue. Dec. 20 th	10.30am	Heath	Community Coffee Club
Wed. Dec. 21 st	7.00pm	New Hope	Carol Service

PREACHER PLAN

CARLTON URC, HARRISON ROAD, 10.30 AM

Dec. 4 th	Rev. John Jenkinson
Dec. 11 th	Joint Service with Providence at Providence
Dec. 18 th	Mrs Dawn Walker
Dec. 25 th	Joint Service with Providence at Providence

HEATH URC, MANOR DRIVE, 10.30 AM

Dec. 4 th	Rev. Clare Davison
Dec. 11 th	Rev. Daphne Hull
Dec. 18 th	Rev. John Jenkinson
Dec. 25 th	Rev. John Jenkinson

NEW HOPE URC, WARLEY ROAD 10.30 AM

Dec. 4 th	Mrs Juliet Foster
Dec. 11 th	Mr David Truswell
Dec. 18 th	Rev. Clare Davison
Dec. 25 th	Mr Allan Jowett (9.30 am)

PROVIDENCE URC, KEIGHLEY ROAD 11.00 AM

Dec. 4 th	Mrs Alison Dobson
Dec. 11 th	Mrs Juliet Foster
Dec. 18 th	Worship Group
Dec. 25 th	Rev. Clare Davison





"Today's sermon is on Moses and the Ten Commandments. Can you tweak the audio to make me sound like Charlton Heston?"



"Of course, I had to train for this job. I went to Sundae School"

Useful Numbers

- Rev. Clare Davison 342678 Mobile 07585557034
- Mrs J Simmons (Heath) 365355
- Mr D Truswell (New Hope) 883908
- Mrs S Wolfenden (Providence) 244402
- Mrs L Gibson (Carlton) 355878
- Heath Stroke Club 330320
- Heath URC. www.heathchurchhalifax.org.uk
- Providence URC. www.providencechurchovenden.org.uk
- URC web site: www.urc.org.uk
- Yorkshire Synod www.urcyorkshire.org.uk

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All contribution need to be in by **Friday 9th December** please. These can be either handed in to your church reps or stop press direct to the editor at:

robertbrook@sky.com

Late submissions may not be inserted.

Thank you.