



SUTTON, BRANSHOLME AND
KINGSWOOD
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NEWSLETTER
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FROM THE MANSE.

“Come and follow me and I will make you fish for people” (Mark 1 verse 17) “Go and make disciples of all nations” (Matthew 28 verse 19)

Dear Friends

Coming and going are all a part of our Christian experiences. As I write this, some of you may have family members who are going off to university for the first time, while others may have family members who have come home after completing their degrees. Of course in the Methodist Church, the month of August is all about ministers and their families coming and going.

After 8 years of ministry among you Rev Keith and his family have “gone” to pastures new in Lancashire, and we have “come” into the Hull East Circuit. Amid all of the changes, turmoil and emotional upheaval that can be involved in the process of coming and going, there is one “Come” and “Go” that must remain central to our Christian thinking and experience – and they are the ones at the top of this page.

As we come to church to worship the living God and to discover what it means to follow Jesus in the 21st Century, we do so in order to gain the knowledge and the confidence we need to be equipped with to share our faith with others. Our “coming” to God should always lead to our “going” into the world around us in order to reach others with the eternal message of Christ crucified, risen and ascended.

Ministers will always come and go, but Jesus Christ, who is the same yesterday, today and forever promises to be with his followers to the end of the age. In the knowledge that He is with us, let us continue to discover together His purposes for the life of His church in this place and time.

Finally, a huge thank you to everyone who has helped decorate the manse – your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Peter

A 'BIG' THANK YOU FROM THE BORWICK'S

We can never thank you all enough for everything you said; sent and gave us in our last month with you.

Friends we have made at Bransholme and Sutton, Church and Community, will live with us forever.

For all your gifts and your kind wishes we thank every one of you.

The money we got from Bransholme will go on a big new printer and the monies from Sutton will help buy a new family computer suite.

But the laughs, the fun; the tears and the memories are priceless.

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way at our community leaving event, at the Circuit Service and at Both Church last services.

Rev Peter and family are very lucky coming to an appointment like this.

Until we meet again (October for the Youth Club !!!!)

MIZPAH

Keith; Joanne; Rebekah; Liam & Joshua.

PS! Friends are Friends Forever when the Lord's the Lord of Them !

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Rebekah's Speech @ Last Service 31/7/2011.

Coming into this service I knew I had to say something as it's my last one and 8 years ago I never thought so much would have happened and I would be leaving people who I love behind.

So I thought how I sum up 8 years of my life ... 8 years of my life that has changed me from a little girl with a block fringe to a girl full of hopes and dreams with the world right at her feet.

The honest truth is I can't ... thinking about it a lot, moments I won't think about until maybe 2 years, 5 years, 25 years down the line- but for me what's important is there are memories inside, memories I will hold onto for a very long time and some of which I am going to "try" and share with you now.

So I came to Hull... leaving behind everything I ever knew, as a scared 8 year old girl you welcomed me, you welcomed us as a family with open arms and that is something we are so grateful of.

Some of you will know before I moved Lorna Burden started emailing me - sending information about herself and her family - she has a little brother who likes Lego and a hamster called Matilda - the vivid memory I have from those letters. And that kick started a friendship - one that I am proud to say has lasted the full 8 years and grown stronger.

Whether it has been at dinner times on their sofa, in their car, inviting myself over to stay or being with them in general I have always felt part of the burden family and I love you all so much - and will never be able to say thank-you enough...

I have made so many friendships here, and I cannot mention them all but whether it is Sarah and her Bransholme or Sutton Park estate lifestyle or Jess with her bloneness and being gullible I love you all so much. Shows their love for me that they haven't turned up!!!!

I hope that we stay in contact ... but even if we don't, I know in years to come I will be able to look back at memories we have shared growing up, knowing they were times when I was happy. - the 'Ossy' trips, the youth services, days out, youth club, fellowship, hot chocolate and then going to nandos and the cinema, ignite, shopping, football matches- I have thoroughly enjoyed it all.

So the church... what has it given me? ... It's given me confidence, I feel I could talk to many of you for long periods of time and I feel as though I know you all well.

Looking back to when we first found out we were moving to Hull we learnt things about Hull .. at the bottom of league tables ... well now having lived here I can say that yes some areas are rough ... but without those things, surely I wouldn't be who I am right now stood here.

I can openly say that every single one of you has in some way affected me whether it being major or minor .. you are all a part of me - and I take all these things with me to Garstang .. hoping that the friendliness of Stan, the confidence of Keith Thomas the faith of this whole congregation will be with me in the tough times ahead starting

6th form and a new life, but more importantly because of you all ... I know that God is also with me and he loves me.

But this isn't just about the 5 of us ... so where do YOU go from here? ... Many of you have been saying we will miss you all and the next minister has big boots to fill and so on... and I know I'm biased but I can't disagree with that, but I think we knew at some point this time would come - as sad as it is.

But In 5, 8, 11 years? Won't this all be happening again??- you have to go forward with Peter, carry on the things we have started because if we come back and see that it has all fallen down, the foundations that we have all built - we as a family will see these 8 years as a failure.

When asking people at youth club what things they have - it has all been you and so you must go forward and carry that on!

So the future we must look forward to, new doors will be opened and with God's help we will enter them - there will be ups and downs, successes and failures but we must stay on the right path with God when the going gets tough and pray for his help- as in the famous poem 'footprints' when there is only one set of footprints it is then that God carries us' .

And so a final note from me, a line from one of my favourite films is "I'm not going to say goodbye to any of you, because for me I'm not going anywhere", I'm a phone call, an email, a car drive away and I will be back- the short dresses and my legs that I heard someone named Stan will miss!!! And who knows I maybe back as your minister one day? thank you everybody from the bottom of my heart for everything.

(Editor's note. we thank Rebekah for this very moving speech, and Rev Keith for sending it to us. Everybody commented how lovely it was and wanted to read it again. I don't think there was there a dry eye in church!)

BORWICKS FUN DAY LEAVING EVENT

Dear All

You will be delighted to know that the Fun Day Leaving Event on Saturday raised just over £ 1000.

We are donating £200 to the Africa Famine Appeal and then split the rest equally between the Messy churches at Bransholme & Sutton, the Youth Club and the Holiday club / Church outing.

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With regard to the Limo ride the winning answer was 136 balloons and the winner has been informed.

The **FIRST** prize on the Hollywood Bowl raffle is still unclaimed and the winning ticket is 110 - you can claim it off me **BY WEEKEND !!!!**

All other prizes and competitions have been claimed.

A report of the event is in the Hull Daily mail either tonight or tomorrow.

We thank Dignity Group; Parkin's; Funeral care; Dennis Sewell & family and AWS for all their help.

We think the event will be remembered in the village for many years and we got to say 'goodbye' to many families.

Rev. Keith

THANKYOU

Thank you for the flowers, visits and help with transport during Trevor's illness. Thank you for all your love, prayers and messages of sympathy on his passing. Thanks to Rev. Keith for a wonderful Service.

Margaret, Andrew and all the Bettley family.

LIFE BEGINS!

Life begins at forty
So the saying goes
But life can begin at any age
As everybody knows

At the age of twenty-one
A whole new world out there
But then you get to forty
Most people think they're there

Yet life begins at sixty
No more work, just play
You can do whatever you like
Even stay in bed all day

But I have got to seventy
The years have been and gone
Seventy years has now passed by
BUT
Life begins, so bring it on

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Doreen E Hampshire July 2011

WEDDING NEWS

Elaine Stathers & Steven Calver

would love any member of the Church family
to come and join in the celebration of their marriage
at Sutton Methodist Church

on Saturday 1 October 2011 at 2.00pm

We would both love to see you there!

Reverend Keith Borwick is popping back to Sutton to take the service for us so come
and say "Hello" to him

SUTTON METHODIST CHURCH WIVES & FRIENDS GROUP

Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month at 7.45 p.m. in the
Potterill Hall.

Watch this space for future speakers and events commencing after the Summer.

Reverend Keith

When you arrived at Sutton
Right from the start
As our new minister
You captured our hearts
For you are so energetic
And enthusiastic too
Your sermons always lively
But now we say ADIEU

At Bransholme and Sutton Churches
There was a holiday club in summer
Also trips to the sea side
Sometimes it could have been warmer
You always liked to play the fool
Buttons in pantomime
Whishy Washy in Aladdin

This happened in the wintertime

You always welcomed children
From within the church or local
schools
Many did partake in your services
In fact you had no rules
House groups, family visits
Youth club and Parade Sundays
Funerals and christenings
You did it in your unique way

You inspired so many people
On their spiritual journey of life
Also helped so many families
Overcome their troubles and strife

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**Hospital visits, you've done a lot
Always so caring done with a smile
Comforting words that you have said
While always going that extra mile**

**To Joanne, Rebekah, Liam
With little Joshua too**

**Thanks for all your support and help
Sutton Church is going to miss you
Keith, you have to leave us
For it's time for you to go
To start a new adventure
For GOD had deemed it so.**

Doreen E Hampshire July 2011

Good wishes to Keith and Family from Sutton and Bransholme Churches

SUTTON'S GOT TALENT

Following the success of last years' 'Sutton's Got Talent' in October 2010, I am pleased to announce another variety show later this year...

**if you enjoyed last year's show, tell your family and friends to come too.
You won't be disappointed!**

**Watch this space for further details
Ian Hodgson.**

FORTY YEARS AGO - The Newsletter – September 1971

The New Methodist Year brings with it a busy programme. The Harvest Festival weekend is on the 26th of this month and will be followed quickly (on the first Sunday in October) by a visit of the Filey Fishermen. In the midst of it all, we shall all be invited to renew our pledges for stewardship and wherever possible to increase our giving. The families connected with us will all be given an opportunity to share in the Stewardship of the Church. If by 21st September your family has not received a letter, please let me know so that I can investigate and discover what has happened. This year, there is no dinner, no outside organiser and no printed literature. We hope that this method will prove an effective means of closing our financial gap.

David W, Coster

Extracts of News received from Rev. Mike Wilson

Mike regularly sends emails to church friends who have email addresses and has asked his latest news be circulated.

Mike and Margaret have purchased a house in Sawston, near Cambridge and Mike applied for permission to retire on medical grounds which was granted. They have had a demanding six months from the March decision to retire, winding up Mike's superintendency and moving house. There have been good things beyond number, Ruth and Tam's wedding was in July and the kindness and generosity of the local church and the village of Haslingfield and of the Cambridge Methodist Circuit has been wonderful beyond all reasonable expectation. He wishes everyone blessings galore and will catch up again at Christmas.

SEPTEMBER AT BRANSHOLME

Sunday Services at Bransholme – 10.45am

4 Sept	Rev P Barnett	
11 Sept	Rev L Penn-Timity	
18 Sept	Mrs J Richardson	(Harvest Festival & Lunch)
25 Sept	Rev P Barnett	(Communion)

Bransholme Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival Service will be held at 10.45 on Sunday 18th September. The service will be followed by a harvest lunch. Everyone is welcome.

Bransholme Weekly Diary

Monday:	7.00pm	Worship Group
Tuesday:	9.30am	Table Top Sale
	1.45pm	Women's Fellowship
Thursday:	9.00 – 11.00am	Parent and Toddler Group (closed during school holidays)
Friday:	10.00-11.00am	Prayer Meeting at Church Open to everyone
Sunday:	10.45am	Sunday Worship

Bransholme Women's Fellowship

Bransholme Women's Fellowship meets every Tuesday at 1.45pm. Everyone is welcome.

Our Women's Fellowship re-opens on September 6th. The events this month are:

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6 Sept	Members' afternoon
13 Sept	Games
20 Sept	Harvest Afternoon
27 Sept	Rev Peter Barnett

Circuit Songs of Praise

The Circuit songs of praise evening at Bransholme Methodist Church raised £87.55 for Sierra Leone Water Aid – a very worthy cause. Thank you to everyone who came along and for the donations.

Chair Exercise Group

On Tuesday lunchtimes, 12.15 to 1.15pm, Bransholme Methodist now hosts a Chair Exercise group. This is a 'keep fit' session to music, led by a qualified teacher, and everything is done 'sat down'. If you would like to join this group, or give it a try please contact Zem Rodaway; Audrey Hall or Ivy Gale for details. This is not a Church group as such and is open to everyone, regardless of whether they worship at Bransholme Methodist.

Transport of disability aids to Kenya

A work colleague of mine comes from Kenya and his family have set up a resource centre for their local community for aids in relation to various disabilities. My colleague is now collecting items (bulky or small) to take over later in the year. If you have anything that is now finished with and wish to donate it, please contact me. Examples of items are hearing aids, zimmer frames, wheelchairs, support items of various types. If you are unsure if something would be useful, feel free to ask. I can be contacted on 01482 854947.

Tony Garrett: Bransholme Church.

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FLOWER ROTA SUTTON



4 Sept	M Lowsley	11 Sept	B Berry
18 Sept	J Gay	25 Sept	J Friett
2 Oct	J Dearing		

CAKE ROTA SUTTON



4 Sept	Ann, Brenda	11 Sept	Ruth, Angie
18 Sept	Helen, Fiona	25 Sept	Joyce, Julie
2 Oct	Ann, Brenda		

COFFEE ROTA SUTTON



04 Sept	Siddle Family	11 Sept	Elaine St, Lois, Ruth
18 Sept	Brenda, Andrew, Phil	25 Sept	Andrea, Margaret, Ann
2 Oct	Siddles Family		

If you know anyone who would appreciate flowers on the Monday after a service please give their names to Doris B, Ann B and Jenny Wood whether they have been ill, sad or joyful.

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