



Staying Connected

July 2024 Newsletter for the Peak Circuit

PEAK WESLEY WAY WAS ON THE RADIO!



THE PEAK WESLEY WAY FEATURED IN FARMING TODAY ON BBC RADIO 4

The BBC reporter and her friends were the first people to book onto and travel the pilgrimage. During their stay, the group spoke with Deacon Lorraine Browne and Superintendent Julie Letts who feature in the programme.

You can listen again to the feature here it begins at 00.25 until 4.00

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m0020hbg>

You can also find out more about The Peak Wesley Way here (<https://peakwesleyway.com>) or listen to our podcast www.sheffieldmethodist.org/podcast

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HATHERSAGE METHODIST CHURCH

HATHERSAGE REPAIR CAFÉ – SATURDAY 20 JULY, 9.45-12.15



The next Repair Café will take place on Saturday 20 July in Hathersage Methodist Hall. There will be volunteer experts on hand to help with small electricals, textiles, knife sharpening, houseplant revival, furniture/french-polishing, bicycle repairs and 'deep cleaning'.

We also serve tea, coffee and breakfast rolls (donate as you are able) and everyone is welcome to come along for a chat and to see the experts at work. Repairs are completely free, though we do accept donations towards the cost of refreshments and the future running of the project.



The Repair Café aims to help protect the planet by prolonging the life of stuff so that it stays out of landfill, and promoting a culture of repair and re-use. The project is run jointly by Hathersage Parish Church and Hathersage Methodist Church, and is a great opportunity for the churches to take a lead on environmental action locally.

Dave Fisher



FOUNTAIN SQUARE

Our Parish Church is still without its Vicar, the fellowship hope for developments in September, but thanks to our strong covenanted relationship, we have joint services on the first and third Sundays of each month; an afternoon Tea Club is held on the second Tuesday of the month (for the over 60's), a joint activity and it is very well attended. We hold a 'Big Breakfast' on the second Sunday, open to anyone, 9.30 – 10.30am, followed by worship, there are times when we lose track!

The following was also sent by **Jean Jackson**:

THE WALK OF ENCOUNTER WITH JESUS CHRIST - THE SHEPHERD

In prayer, bring yourself into the presence of Jesus and ask, 'Lord, who are you?' Linger on each verse for as long as the Holy Spirit invites you to, prayerfully reflecting on the texts, listening to what the Lord says and speaking with him. When he guides you to go on to the next step, change your physical location.

1. My Shepherd [Psalm 23: 1-3]

'The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down on green pastures; He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul....'

Focus: Think back over the time you have been a Christian, recalling the various ways that the Lord has provided, guided and restored you. Turn those memories into prayers of grateful thanks.

2. Good Shepherd [John 10:11, 18 and 15: 13]

'I am the good shepherd. The shepherd lays down his life for the sheep....No-one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord.'

'Greater love has no-one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends.'

Focus: What do these words say about Jesus' love for you? Ask the Holy Spirit to give you a renewed personal appreciation of this love, and let this love overflow in prayer.

3. The Flock [Psalm 95: 6-6 And John 10:16]

'Come let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our maker; For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.' '....there shall be one flock and one shepherd.'

Focus: The good shepherd does not leave us scattered and isolated but gathers us into his flock. Reflect on your own attitude towards his flock and whatever arises to the surface in your heart, bring that to the Lord in prayer.

4. Listen [John 10: 14,27]

'I am the good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me.My sheep listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me.'

Focus: The Lord who leads wants us to follow, journeying through life with him. What is Jesus calling you to do in this season of your life? Ask him to speak afresh, and commit yourself to listening.

5. Worthy! [Revelation 5:12]

'In a loud voice they sang: 'Worthy is the lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honour and glory and praise!'

Focus: The Shepherd who laid down his life is now the resurrected lamb, worthy of worship in every way. Take this opportunity to rededicate your whole life to him who is worthy of it all.

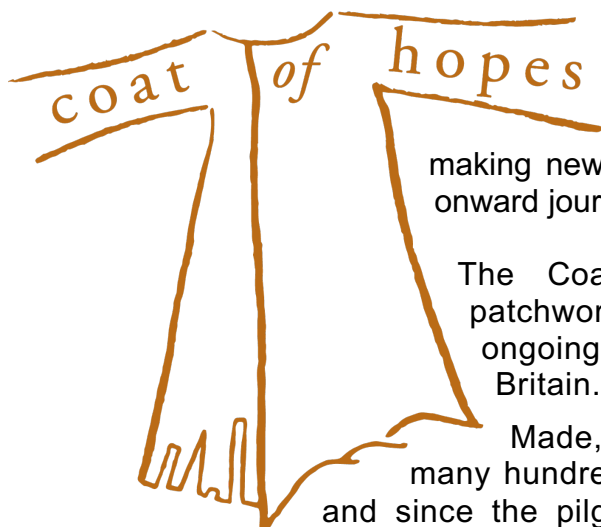


The Walk is a ministry of The Dunamis Fellowship.

**EDALE METHODIST CHURCH
COAT OF HOPES PROJECT**

At the end of July we hope to be sharing in hosting the wonderful Coat of Hopes project for a few days, :<https://www.coatofhopes.uk/>

*Ask me where I'm going
Ask me what is my purpose*



The coat was assembled as it was walked up to the COP26 Climate Conference in Glasgow 2021. Ever since it has been travelling and being added to en route. More information to follow, but we hope to hold some sessions making new Edale patches and restoring the mighty garment for its onward journey...

The Coat of Hopes is a patchwork pilgrim coat, on an ongoing walk through Britain.

Made, worn and walked by many hundreds of people during and since the pilgrimage on which it was created - from the south coast of England to the gates of COP 26, the UN climate summit, in Glasgow autumn 2021.

The Coat is made up of pieces of blanket into which people have worked their griefs, remembrances, prayers and hopes for the place they call home.

It walks ever calling those who encounter it, or who share it, into the present. Supported by its warmth (love) - to bear its weight (responsibility). So, each might "wear the promise that we all belong together" as we seek to respond with our whole self to the climate and ecological emergency.



Kate Burnett



Items for the August Newsletter need to be with Joan by 29th July please.

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