

WHO'S WHO IN THE CHURCH

BENEFICE OF HAWKSHEAD WITH LOW WRAY, SAWREY, RUSLAND AND SATTERTHWAITE

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Dear Friends,

The season of Lent is about to start - this year on 1st March. We tend to think that Lent is about giving things up, just to start them again at Easter. Or we think of it as about blame and guilt and disappointment. But I don't really think of it like that.

One of the ancient prayers from the Ash Wednesday service, which marks the start of Lent in church, begins "Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made...." If that is God's attitude then it should also be ours.

St. Irenaeus, a bishop of the second century, said "What God creates, God loves; and what God loves, God loves everlastingly."

We should hear these words as applicable to us, to those we love, to our friends and families, to those we like and those we do not like, and to those we do not even know or want to know.

The Lenten invitation is an invitation examines ourselves, a call to rediscover who we really are. That is where the self-reflection comes in. Lent invites us to look at the ways in which we have allowed our fears, our attitudes, our accomplishments, our successes and our failures, as well as the opinions of others to tell us who we are, to separate us from God, ourselves, and each other.

Lent invites us to repent of, fast from, and let go of those false identities and recover our true identity as God's holy people made in the image and likeness of God, and loved by God.

John

Any comments, articles or queries for the Link should be emailed to: esthwaitelink@gmx.com or given to Kathleen Farnworth or John Dixon

**Deadline for inclusion in the April edition is
Sunday, 12th March**

Items should be no longer than 300 words.

To advertise in the back pages of The Link, please contact:
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We are grateful to those who advertise in The Link and hope
that readers will use their services.

MARCH SERVICES

1st Wed.	6.00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Eucharist	Hawkshead
5th	9.30 a.m.	Morning Worship & Sunday School	Hawkshead
	9.45 a.m.	Holy Communion	Satterthwaite
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Sawrey
	5.00 p.m.	Evensong	Rusland
	6.00 p.m.	Churches Together Holy Communion, Methodist Chapel	Hawkshead
12th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion & Sunday School	Hawkshead
	11.15 a.m.	Matins	Sawrey
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Rusland
	6.00 p.m.	Evensong	Satterthwaite
19th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion & Sunday School	Hawkshead
	9.45 a.m.	Morning Worship	Satterthwaite
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Sawrey
	5.00 p.m.	Evensong	Rusland
26th	9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion (Mothering Sunday)	Hawkshead
	11.15 a.m.	Morning Worship for Mothering Sunday	Sawrey
	11.15 a.m.	Holy Communion joint with Satterthwaite	Rusland

Baptist Chapel, Hawkshead Hill, Sunday 10.30 a.m.

Methodist Chapel:

5th March 6.00 p.m. Churches Together Holy Communion

12th March 11.00 a.m. Morning Worship

Society of Friends (Quakers) Meeting House, Colthouse, Sunday 10.30 a.m.

FAITH STORY: Thursday, 2nd March. 12 noon – 1.30 p.m. at Chapel Cottage, Hawkshead Hill. Do join us to hear Jo Giles share her story. Jo is training to be an Anglican reader, and is on placement at Hawkshead Parish Church. share her story. Please bring a packed lunch. This is a Churches Together Event, and all are warmly invited to join us.

From the Registers

Funeral and burial at Sawrey on 28th January Alan Brockbank

Funeral at Hawkshead and burial at Wray on 30th January Irene Wilson

Funeral and burial at Hawkshead on 4th February Keith Aughpin

Burial of ashes at Satterthwaite on 8th February Anita Holmes

Margaret Hardisty. Alan, Sheila and Carol would like to thank everyone for all the lovely cards and letters, as well as kind messages of support. £436.50 was collected in Margaret's memory for the Church Tower Fund. It is much appreciated.

The late Roland Shuttleworth

Claife Parish Council is planning to purchase and install a seat near the top of Ferry Hill in memory and recognition of Roland's outstanding service to the Community throughout his life. If anyone would like to make a contribution, however small, please post, either, a cheque to me at the address below made payable to Claife Parish Council or, alternatively, pop an envelope through my letterbox.

V Mark Phillips, Clerk, Claife Parish Council
Waterside, Near Sawrey, Ambleside, Cumbria LA22 0JX
Tel. No: 015394 36287

The electoral role officer at Rusland is Angus Adams (same contact as Helen Adams)

WOMENS' WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Friday, 3rd March at 2.00 p.m. at the Roman Catholic Church in Coniston. The women of The Philippines have written the service and the theme is "Am I being unfair to you?" If you would like a lift, please contact Kath Dodd on 015394 36451.

LENT STUDY GROUP: Tuesdays at the Vicarage at 7.30 p.m.
Starting on 7th March. All welcome.

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Take part in exploring "Your SHAPE for God's Service"!

Join us...a small informal group for interesting discussions, practical exercises and prayer, Wednesdays, 8th March - 5th, 12th April, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m. at Brathay Church Hall, Contact: Mrs. Helen Hoyle 015394 36921,
helenlouisehoyle@hotmail.co.uk
or The Rev. Beverley Lock 015394 33205, reverend.beverley@gmail.com

LENT LUNCHESES

A simple lunch of soup and bread will be held at the following places during Lent. A donation of £5 is suggested, which goes toward the work of Christian Aid.

For the lunches in private homes, please let the host know beforehand that you intend to come.

The lunches are held between 12 and 2.00 p.m.

We are very grateful to the hosts for taking part in these events, which build local community and also help people in the world's poorest places.

Friday, 3rd March, Joyce Hallam, Wetherlam, Hawkshead,
015394 36069

Monday, 6th March, Beverley Lock, Ambleside Vicarage, Millans Park
015394 33205

Tuesday, 7th March, Hilary and Edward Collins, Middle Dale Park,
Satterthwaite, 01229 860312

Monday, 13th March, Helen Hoyle, Tethera, Orchard Cottages,
Near Sawrey, 015394 36921

Monday, 20th March, Mike and Patsy Derry, Summerhill, Hawkshead
Hill, 015394 36095

Wednesday, 22nd March, Susan and John Dewhurst, Bridge View,
Hawkshead, 015394 36340

Friday, 24th March, Rusland Reading Rooms (co-ordinator Susan King
01229 861173)

Monday, 27th March, The Garth, Near Sawrey, Christine Rhodes,
015394 43978 and Judy Dent, 015394 36346

Wednesday, 29th March, Belmont Hall, Hawkshead, Gillie Addison,
015394 36373

Friday, 7th April, The Braithwaite Hall, Far Sawrey, (co-ordinator
Elizabeth Mallett, 015394 36450)

Saturday, 8th April, The Market Hall, Hawkshead (co-ordinator Judith
Dixon, 015394 36301)

TALES FROM TRAVELS FAR & NEAR. Final three talks in the series in the Lower Market Hall, Hawkshead at 7.30 p.m.
Entry: £5 per person. Proceeds to Hawkshead Tower Fund

Thurs, 2nd March - Geoff Cooper:
Cuba: Going it alone

Wednesday, 22nd March - Jim Dobson: Trekking in Nepal today and forty years ago

Monday, 3rd April - Tom Macan:
An ambassador's travels in the Baltic States.

SCHOOL PTA SWISH

Friday, 3rd March, 7.30 p.m.
Bring your clothes, shoes and accessories you no longer wear and use them as currency to take home something you will love!
To take part in the SWISH, bring at least one clean and presentable item to swap.

(Further details at the end of of School news.)

THE NEXT BENEFICE WALK will be on Thursday, 9th March, meeting at 10.30 a.m. at the old quarry at White Moss Common. (There should be room to park on the right-hand side of the road.) We will walk round Rydal and Grasmere and there will be an opportunity to visit both Rydal and Grasmere churches. The walk is 5.5 miles, but can be shortened to 3.5 miles by crossing the river

before Moss Common. Bring a packed lunch. All welcome.

SAWREY CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

The Annual General Meeting for Sawrey and Cunsey Children's Festivities Committee (SACCCFC) will be held on Tuesday, 14 March, at the Cuckoo Brow in Far Sawrey, at 7.30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!! We would especially welcome anyone who is interested in joining our committee and helping to keep Sawrey May Queen and the Sawrey Children's Christmas party going. This year's May Queen will be on the 28th May at Braithwaite Hall. Thanks for your support! Dawn and the SACCCFC Committee.

'IT ALL STARTED AT WRAY'

Sunday, 26th March, at 7.30 p.m. at Hawkshead Hill Chapel. Vivian Griffiths' talk will focus on Canon Hardwicke Rawnsley, with some mention of what was achieved through his friendship with Beatrix Potter. All Welcome.

QUIZ NIGHT in aid of the surgery!

Test your knowledge in teams of up to four players per team. Come along to the Red Lion Inn on 30th March, for a 7.15.00 p.m. start. Tickets include Tasty Pie & Peas and cost £5 per person. All proceeds will go to the purchase of equipment for the new surgery. Tickets on sale at the Post Office and the Red Lion Inn, Hawkshead – please come along and join the fun!

BRAITHWAITE HALL

Restoration Fund

Mr. Phil. Brown from the Cumbria Wildlife Trust will talk on the work of the Trust on Friday, 31st March, 7.30 p.m. at the Braithwaite Hall. Admission £5 for adults, £3 for children; light refreshments will be served, proceeds in aid of the Hall.

NEWS:

Key Stage 1. The children have been designing "Fairy Doors" ready to be made in class. The fairy doors will entertain the children with fairy tales and fairy-related activities and games.

Key stage 1 had the 'Reading Dogs' come see them in school. Children read to two specially trained support dogs - two golden retrievers named Google and Jeeves. Reading to dogs has been proven to help children develop their literacy skills and build confidence, through both the calming effect the dogs have on children and the fact that the dog will listen to the children read without being judgemental or critical. This comforting environment helped the children with their confidence in reading aloud. The dogs made reading really fun and helped to develop children's self esteem and passion for reading.

Years 3 and 4: have been learning how to play the ukulele – they've learnt how to hold the ukulele, learning basic cords and

strumming patterns. They've been learning about different materials in science.

Years 5 and 6 went to John Ruskin School for a Science Afternoon – they took part in science experiments of separating materials using magnets, filters and Bunsen burners. Fantastic participation and behaviour by all the children!

The children have been learning lacrosse this term – learning how to use the lacrosse stick to catch, cradle, and pass the ball; there has been some fantastic scoring and ball skills using the stick and body positioning.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 have been learning fabulous new skills in gymnastics every week. These lessons are helping the children to develop physical agility and coordination.

Some children ran in the Primary Cross Country Trials at Casterton School. They ran in the pouring rain and there were some slips and trips, but the children continued with huge smiles on their faces. A huge well done to all the children who ran and a big thank you for everyone who went to support the runners!

On 10 February the whole school enjoyed a School Disco organised by the PTA. The disco raised £113.50 for PTA finds. Thanks to everyone for showing such tremendous support.

..... PTA EVENT £5 entry on the door – includes free ticket for Champagne Raffle.

Bring your own bottle – nibbles provided! **Pamper Hamper Raffle** 7.30 – 8.00 p.m. Exchange your items for tokens and enjoy your drinks! 8.0 p.m. onwards – let the Swishing begin, trading your tokens in for the treasures you've found! Items that are left over from the Swish will be given to charity. Need more info? Contact Katie Keighley – 07786 471245 – ktkeighley@aol.com

AMBLESIDE COUNTRY MARKET

It is sad that, after fifty eight years, we have had to decide to discontinue the Market. We have a few younger producers, but the Committee members are in there eighties and have health problems. We were the first market to be opened in the North West, by two ladies from Outgate, Zaida Macan and Laura Richardson; Mary Rundle joined shortly after. There are stalls in three markets in, Kirby Lonsdale, Arnside and Ulverston, who would all be pleased to see you. We thank all our customers, past and present, for their support over the years. *Brenda Haydock.*

Have you checked if you have access to Superfast Broadband?

Roll out of fibre broadband is now in full swing across Cumbria and has arrived in Hawkshead, Satterthwaite and Sawrey, with more to come.

The Connecting Cumbria project to build a fibre network around the county is ahead of schedule. The multi-million pound project will run until 2018 and more than 128,000 business and home premises can now benefit from the superfast technology since the first connections were made in October 2013. Including commercial rollout, over 90% of premises in Cumbria now have access to fibre broadband. *Over 500 homes and businesses in the area can upgrade to superfast broadband.*

How to benefit from Broadband

Using the internet delivers great benefits to everyone; getting better deals, saving money, gaining new skills and qualifications, finding a better job, more support at home, keeping in touch with family and friends as well as access to new services and support from GP's, the NHS, local and national government. The financial benefits of using the internet can range from around £1000 per year for a new user to £3500 for an advanced user who is able to access the best deals and offers online or learn a whole new skill via a free online course. *That's worth around £500k per year (every year) to people in Hawkshead and even more to business.*

For business, superfast delivers access to new technology and solutions that can help a business reduce costs, deliver better service and help to differentiate your business as well as offering new revenues and opportunities. Being online helps a business grow 200% faster and create 200% more new jobs. For hotels, B&B's and holiday

lets there are new services that your customers now expect.

A Digital Inclusion workshop for Hawkshead communities and business is arranged for 27th April 2017 at the Market Hall, Hawkshead, starting at 7:00pm where you can find out what's happening. Find out more at www.connectingcumbria.org.uk or watch out for posters and cards with details of the workshop.

Judith Myers

Everyone is welcome to come along to the next Sew In for the Shoeboxes at 11am -4p.m. on March 15th, at Park House. You do not need to be a fantastic sewer.

Girl guiding in Hawkshead has been meeting since 1921 at the moment we have 44 girls and 11 Adult Volunteers. We would love some more help with the Guide Unit who meet on Wednesdays from 6.15 - 8.15. If you would enjoy the many challenges that Guiding offers, then please visit www.girlguiding.org and register an interest and someone will contact you. Alternatively, telephone 015394 41245 for more information.

Shoebox Update.

Hawkshead Warehouse sent out 1380 boxes, many of the items being made in the villages. The boxes have been delivered to

Belarus and Romania to children who are delighted with the beautiful gifts. Make a note of this year's date November 20 - 24th. We have 43 volunteers. If you are interested in delivering them then contact Judith 01539441245.

Coniston and District Twinning Association

We still have a few places left on our next exciting trip! Do you live within twenty miles of Coniston? If so, why not come and join us and experience something a bit different? We are going to spend a weekend with our French twinning partners in Coniston's twin town, Illiers-Combray. We are flying from Manchester to Beauvais on Friday 5 May 2017 and home on Monday 8 May. We'll be travelling by mini-bus from Coniston to Manchester, and our hosts will organise another mini-bus from Beauvais to Illiers-Combray at the other end. Apart from the travel all expenses will be met by our hosts, who are also organising a day trip to Paris on one of the days we'll be there! It doesn't matter if you can't speak French because they are pretty good at English, and keen to practise it. We also have an extra special offer of two COMPLETELY FREE places (so also including flights and mini-buses) for two people between 18 and 35 (though you must live within 5 miles of Coniston to qualify for one of these).

If you would like more information, please contact the secretary, Jackie Coe. jackie@coessential.co.uk

BOWLING CLUB NEWS

First of all, a reminder that our Domino and Pie and Peas evenings will be on 21st March at 7.00 p.m. Contact John Haddow on 36551 to book your place; if you attended in January John will automatically book you in unless you have told him otherwise.

The green will open for the 2017 season on Wednesday, 15th March (weather permitting). As in previous years, Wednesdays will be our club night when it will be free bowling for all from 6.00 p.m. onwards; come along and try your hand. Haven't got any bowls? Don't worry we will lend you some, at least to get you started. Better still, join the club for an annual subscription of £32.00 and bowl any time you like except at league match times.

We look forward to seeing you, you will be most welcome.

Hawkshead and Outgate Women's Institute

Our WI brings together women from the local community. Our meetings cover a variety of subjects and include practical 'have a go' sessions and more informal social events. We have an afternoon and an evening meeting every month - usually in Hawkshead Lower Market Hall. Monday evening meetings usually start at 7.30 p.m., Tuesday afternoon meetings at 1.30 p.m., and non-members /guests are always welcome (though we ask for a small donation to cover costs).

The meetings usually involve a roundup of WI news and a chat about anything we may like to get involved in (and, if you're really lucky a rousing rendition of Jerusalem!) then a talk or have a go session followed by a brew (or wine!) and occasionally a cake or two!

Any local cause can approach the WI for funds to help support, and we often put our skills in tea and cake making (amongst other things!!) to good use in fundraising.

Meetings coming up:

Tuesday, 14 March – The life of Arthur Ransome: Robert Thompson

Monday, 20 March – Chocolate!! Demonstration and Talk at the Cocoa Bean (spaces limited – please speak to the committee)

Tuesday, 11 April – The National Garden Scheme: Diane

Monday, April 24 – Discussion of national Resolutions, and Dips!

The Bell Tower Fund

Many thanks to all who have supported us in the first six months of this important fundraising project.

Whether you have bought a Hawken Owl, a Virtual Roof Tile, or made a donation, you are making an enormous contribution to this project.

We are on the way to our target, and have currently raised an amazing £25,000!!

To continue to support, why not come to the following:

**Gala Dinner on 6th May at the Daffodil Hotel, Grasmere,
£40.00 per head, or our
Jumble/Bric a Brac sale on Saturday, 8th April, 11.00 - 4.00 p.m. in
The Lower Market Hall,
or Like and Share our Facebook Page, 'Hawkshead Bell Tower Fund'**

Contact Dawn – 07855 413968

if you want tickets or have jumble to donate – every little helps!

Eco Flower Festival in Hawkshead Church May/June 2017

As part of our raising awareness of the church working towards developing its Eco Congregation status, we plan to hold a Flower Festival during the week of May half term; May 27th to June 2nd.

We would love to have at least a dozen displays of flowers throughout the church, where each arrangement has an Eco Theme-see below. Any individuals or groups wishing to prepare a display will be invited to fill in a form indicating the space they require, the theme they would be interested in and a willingness to care for the display during the week and dismantle it at the end of the festival. Displays would be set up on Friday 26th May and dismantled on Friday 2nd June.

To ensure there are displays covering the full range of themes, I will arrange a meeting before the event where all parties can meet and we can allocate themes accordingly. We will suggest a donation from visitors wishing to see the displays and all money will go to the Church Tower Fund. Suggested themes: FAIRTRADE, RECYCLING ECO-FRIENDLY TRAVEL, LOCAL PRODUCE, GROW YOUR OWN FOOD, GLOBAL AWARENESS/LINKS TO OTHER COUNTRIES, COMPOSTING, WATER SAVING, BIODIVERSITY, SAVING ENERGY, STOP POLLUTION, NO LITTERING, ANOTHER OF YOUR CHOICE THAT FITS THE THEME! If you are interested and would like a form to enter the Festival please email joyce.hallam@uwclub.net or phone 015394 36069

Well done St Michael and All Angels for achieving Bronze Eco Church!

Several years ago St Michael's was awarded Eco Congregation status. This helped us to focus on important "green issues" relating to worship, the church building, biodiversity and land use and community; both local and global. We wanted to sustain the work started and so, to that end, we have just completed an updated version of this award called **Eco Church**, (set up by a Christian environmental group called A Rocha) which can be achieved at bronze, silver and gold level. Having the framework of the Eco Church enabled us to assess our green credentials and look to ways we can improve them. Why is this important? God calls us to care for his world, to be good stewards in the broadest sense and to take responsibility where we can to ensure its beauty is sustained for future generations.

Looking forward, we hope to achieve silver level and we have an action plan in place to help us move towards that goal. Some of the ideas include:

- During Lent taking time to consider change - there will be leaflets in church to support those wishing to pursue any changes, with a focus on Eco issues in our personal lives
- Eco Tips in the Link each month
- A prayer focus throughout the year with an Eco theme
- An Eco Flower festival in May for the community - details in article on Flower Festival
- Three talks/workshops on carbon footprints, sustainability and climate change issues which will be open to the public later in the year
- Review Eco advice when conducting the tower renovation project
- Linking to the school to re-do a church yard survey on biodiversity
- Sustain and develop worship linked to caring for the planet

We look forward to as many people as possible taking part in or being enthused by these ideas. Do get in touch if you want to know more.

Mrs J Hallam (working with an Eco sub group of the PCC)

HAWKSHEAD AND SAWREY COMMUNITY TRANSPORT. Call 07808 508997 and a friendly volunteer will help you. The cost is 30p per mile (which covers the cost of petrol and vehicle wear and tear).