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Village Church Services September



Please check on www.achurchnearyou.com for up to date information.

6th September The Fourteenth Sunday After Trinity

9.30 am	Leathley	Morning Prayer (JC)
11.00 am	Fewston	Family Service (CL)

13th September The Fifteenth Sunday After Trinity

9.30 am	Farnley	Harvest All age Service (FD)
11.15 am	Denton	Holy Communion (DW)

20th September The Sixteenth Sunday After Trinity

9.30 am	Leathley	Holy Communion (TMC) PCC to follow
9.30 am	Weston	Morning Prayer (Book of common Prayer) (TD)

Friday 29th September

7pm	Blubberhouses	Harvest Service (FS)
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27th September The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity

9.30 am	Farnley	All age Service (FD)
11 am	Fewston	Holy Communion (TMC)
11.15 am	Denton	Morning Prayer (PMc)

4th October The eighteenth Sunday After Trinity

9.30 am	Weston	Holy Communion (Book of common Prayer) (TMC)
9.30 am	Leathley	Harvest Service
11.00 am	Fewston	Morning Prayer (TMC)



Services at Norwood Methodist Chapel September

Sunday 13 September 2.30pm Rev. Cameron Stirk
– Service of Holy Communion

Sunday 27 September 2.30pm Rev. Tim Perkins
– Harvest Festival Service

Do come along and join us!

The Vicar's Monthly Message

The Long and Winding Road

Most of us will recognise certain signature tunes for a particular TV programme or from a film. Music that sums-up the essence of the story. If I were to have a tune that would best describe my spiritual journey as a disciple, but also through all the years of training, then it would have to be "The Long and Winding Road" by Paul McCartney. The road that led me to being ordained and through the years of training at Lincoln School of Theology and prior to that at Manchester, has indeed been a long one, with various twists and turns along the way.

So, when did it all start? I can tell you exactly when it started, July 16th 1988. How can I be so precise? Easy, it was the day that Paul and I got married. Naturally it was a special day romantically, but it was also a special day because God chose that day to start planting the first real seeds of a living faith in both my life and in Paul's.

As Christians it is so easy to go it alone and feel we don't need others and sometimes we try to be "lone rangers". We all need one another; we need to love one another and enjoy the fellowship we can find through our faith. To be able to pray together, to worship together but also to simply be there for one another in bad times and in good times.

Rural ministry has proved very different from the ministry Paul and I started-out in Greater Manchester over 32 years ago. Instead of us going to one large church, Paul is now dashing off in one direction and me in another, zooming (keeping to the speed limits of course!) down the roads, making sure we arrive in time for the next service. I know the churches round here are a little different from those in a large busy town, but the message of the Gospel never changes.

Last but not least, should there be anyone who is reading this who feels God is calling them to serve Him in some way and perhaps things are not going too smoothly at the moment, be encouraged! There may be a long and winding road ahead but the Lord himself travels along with us, to make sure we fulfil his plans.

Blessings Teresa



News from Norwood Methodist Church

Dear Friends

As I write these words the tractors are already in the fields gathering in the wheat and barley! It's been generally a good Summer weather wise and thankfully it seems as though the farmers' have been able to gather a harvest in.

This morning I walked around Gallows Hill nature reserve in Otley. What a wonderful abundance of natural beauty. The hedgerows were full of wild flowers, interspersed with blackberries and rose hips. A pheasant walked unconcerned flaunting its beautiful plumage at the sun highlighted those iridescent colours. Ripening fruit, nearly ready for picking, hung in abundance in the orchard. What a wonderful place to live. I couldn't help but feel thankful. I found myself singing 'O Lord how glorious are your works'.

At Harvest time it seems both good and right to rejoice and give thanks for all God's blessings, but what about the rest of the year and what about when things are not going well? This year has been reasonable for growers, but what about those times when earning off the land is full of chaos or disaster. How difficult it must be then for them to give thanks?

What we need to be mindful of is that praise and thanksgiving should not be dependent on our circumstances. We must not confuse happiness with joy. Happiness depends on happenings, but real joy depends on Christ. If you haven't been joyful lately then maybe you need to think again!

Whatever your situation, whatever your circumstances, whatever the time of year, whatever is going on in your life right now, God is always worthy of praise.

But along with our Harvest praise, we are also aware of our Harvest responsibility. It is already well known in the public that our climate is changing. Longer, hotter Summers are becoming a reality for us, and this year half of Southern Europe seems to have been burnt up in Forest fires. When confronted by a 'global' problem (quite literally), the temptation is to hide your head in the sand. Instead, when faced with a seemingly impossible task, remember the words of Ghandi: "Whatever you do will be insignificant and it is very important that you do it."

Here are some simple actions we can all do to cut the amount of greenhouse gas emissions we produce:

- Use energy-saving light bulbs, saving around 230kg of CO₂ a year.
- Switch to a 100% green energy supplier, saving around 300kg. of CO₂ per year.
- Walk or cycle short journeys instead of driving wherever possible, saving around 380kg of CO₂ per year.

Enjoy all God's blessings – but remember our responsibilities too!

Cameron.
(Rev. Cameron Stirk – Norwood Methodist Church)

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Denton Flower and Cleaning Rota September & October

6th & 13th September Ann Chadwick
20th & 27th September Helen Coble
4th & 11th October Karen Boothman
18th & 25th October Sue Wood

Weston Flower and Cleaning September & October

6th September Tom & Ruth Raper
13th & 20th September Sally Stanley
27th September & 4th October
Mrs H Pullan
11th & 18th October Mr & Mrs Senior
25th October & 1st November
Mrs J Cowgill



Askwith Ladies Social

The social evening is on the 2nd Thursday of the month, the next meeting is
10th September at 7pm at The Penny Bun

Contact Anne for more information - Tel: 07713884328
Email: laeatham@gmail.com



Fewston Parochial Hall Charity teas

Teas, lunches and homemade cakes
Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th September
10.am till 4.00 pm
All proceeds to
Friends of Dacre Braithwaite School.

Community Notice Board



Fewston Foxy Ladies



Tale of Tweed

September 15th at 7.30pm sees Paul Myers returning to talk about the Tale of Tweed Do you join us at Fewston Parochial Hall for his fascinating and informative talk

See you then!

If you would like more information please contact

Gillian 07795 464042 ; Sue 07812 071636; Sheila 07931 292910 ; or Margaret 07949 765888



T&T



Dominoes

We return to Norwood Social Hall, on Tuesday 1st September at 2pm. lots of chat, prize winning dominoes plus tea, of course! See you there.

It is only £2 per person.

If you want to hear more about T&T, give Gillian a ring on 07795 464042 I have always got time for T&T!

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Vegetarians option available – please tell us when booking

All welcome, whether a seasoned pro or never picked up a domino before, any age that can stay awake until about 9:30. Please let us know (using contact details below) by the evening of the Wednesday before so we can be sure to order enough pies

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HERITAGE OPEN DAY

at
St Helen's Church Denton
and
All Saints Church Weston

On Saturday 12th September

From 11am – 5pm

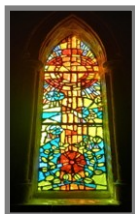
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Weston Hall from 2 – 5pm

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Norwood Social Hall Dominoes

Friday 18th September

Raffle & Pie and Pea supper
7pm for a 7.15pm start.

2026 Domino dates for your diaries

Friday 16th October

Friday 20th November

Friday 11th December Christmas Dominoes

Hope you can join us.

In July Farnley Estate W.I. were invited by the Weeton Show Committee to take part in a new annual competition along with Follifoot, Kirkby Overblow and Wharfedale W.Is.

Each W.I. had to produce items suitable for a garden party. Three members of Farnley Estate W.I. volunteered to produce the following items:- a handwritten invitation to the garden party, a shawl, a batch of savoury scones, a jar of chutney, a Victoria Sandwich Cake and a flower arrangement. All the items had to be arranged on a table as the display was also judged.

Farnley Estate came first and we were presented with the Weeton Show 80 years anniversary silver salver in the main ring on show day.

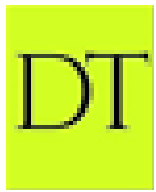
Our speaker in August is Helen Neave who will be explaining how she and her husband set up Make It Wild. We will be shown the work of their nature protection group offering carbon off-setting.

To view our programme for 2026 please visit <https://yorkshire-north-west.thewi.org.uk/find-wi/farnley-estate>. All our meetings take place on the second Wednesday of the month at



Leathley Village Hall at 7-30pm unless otherwise stated. In addition on the 4th Wednesday of the month our new social events begin and these have been chosen by our members.

If you would like to come to any of the events above or want to know more about our WI please contact Diane Hanline our President by email to farnleyestatewi@gmail.com.



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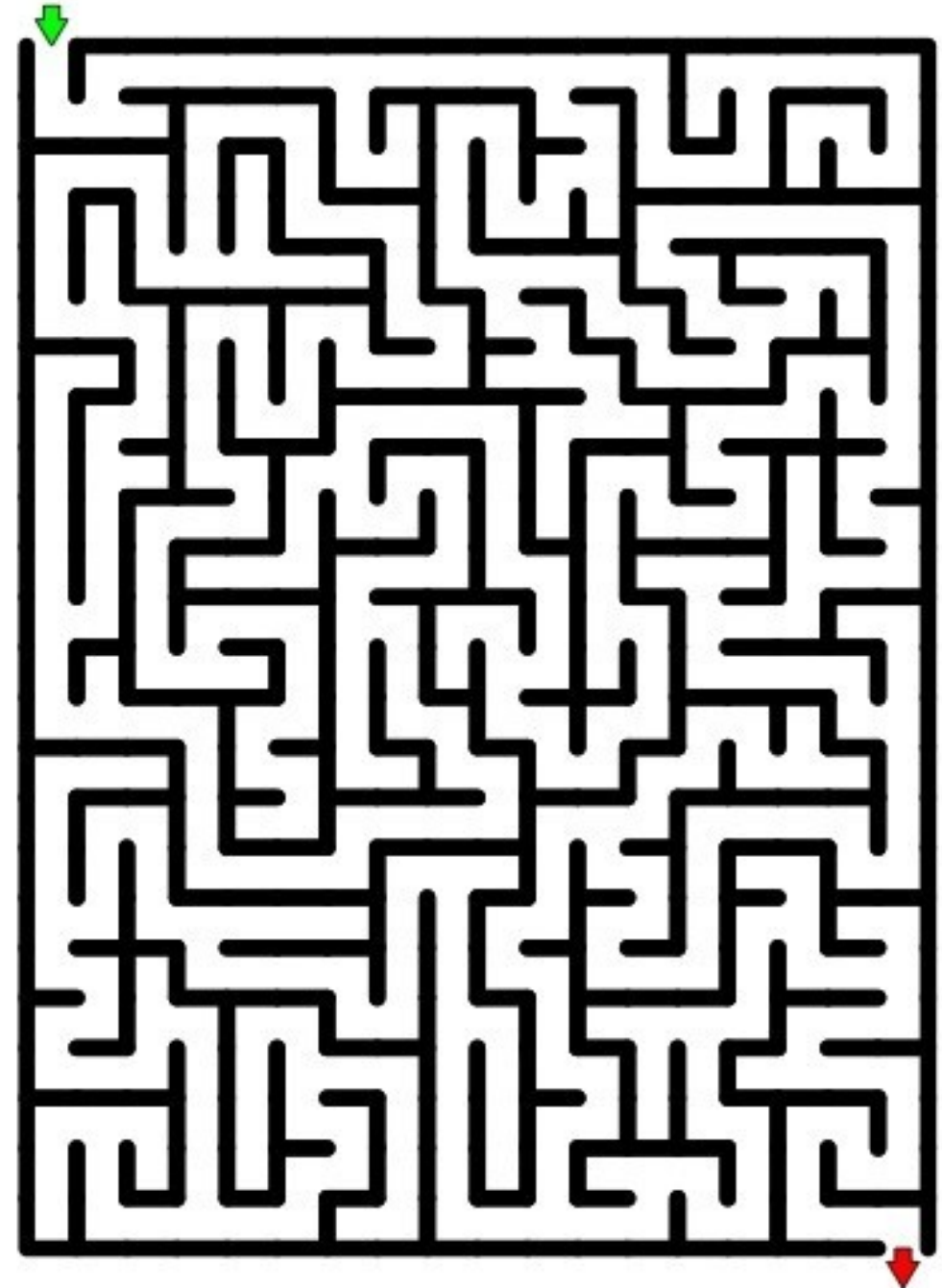
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Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in
Matthew 12:1-14, Luke 6:1-11

The Pharisees watched Jesus to see if he broke any of God's laws, or the rules they had made up to stop the laws being broken.

Jesus' disciples were hungry so they picked some wheat from a field as they walked.

This was allowed (Deut 23:25), but it was the Sabbath.

The Pharisees said to Jesus

Why are your disciples harvesting on the Sabbath? That is against the rules!

But King David broke the rules when he ate the bread that was only for the priests*
*1 Sam 21:6

And priests are allowed to work in the temple on the Sabbath*
*Num 28:9

Don't you understand when God says 'Keeping rules' doesn't make up for not having kindness'?*

If you understood, you would know my disciples did nothing wrong.

The Pharisees followed Jesus to the meeting place.

The Pharisees wanted to accuse Jesus of breaking rules, so they asked him a trick question.

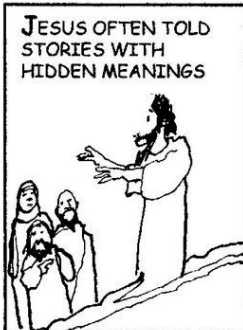
If your sheep fell into a ditch on the Sabbath you would lift it out.

People are worth far more than sheep, so it is right to do good on the Sabbath.

Hold out your hand.
.. and it was healed!

The Pharisees left and made plans.
We will kill him.

The tale of the Lost Sheep



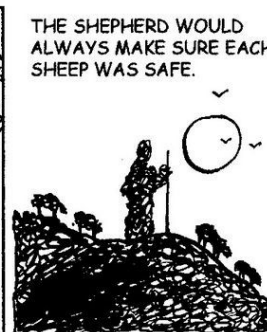
JESUS OFTEN TOLD STORIES WITH HIDDEN MEANINGS



ONE STORY WAS ALL ABOUT A GOOD SHEPHERD.



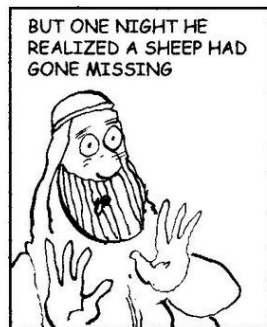
WHO TOOK GREAT CARE OF ALL HIS SHEEP



THE SHEPHERD WOULD ALWAYS MAKE SURE EACH SHEEP WAS SAFE.



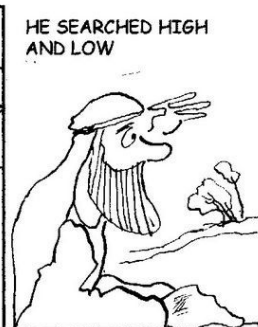
HE WOULD COUNT THEM AT THE END OF EVERY DAY



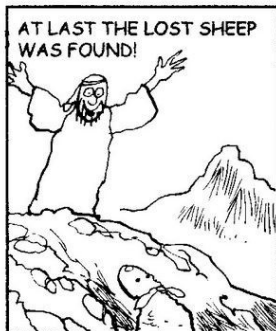
BUT ONE NIGHT HE REALIZED A SHEEP HAD GONE MISSING



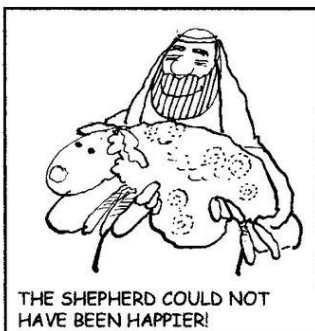
THE SHEPHERD SET OUT TO SEARCH FOR THE LOST SHEEP



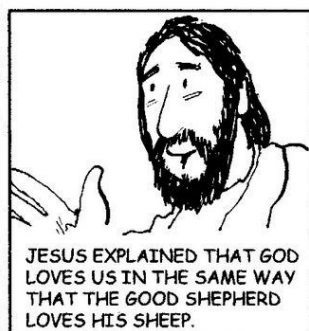
HE SEARCHED HIGH AND LOW



AT LAST THE LOST SHEEP WAS FOUND!

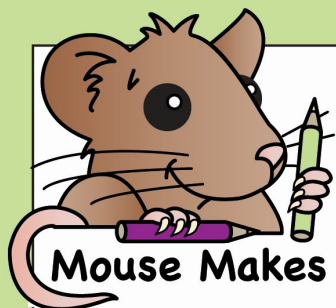


THE SHEPHERD COULD NOT HAVE BEEN HAPPIER!



JESUS EXPLAINED THAT GOD LOVES US IN THE SAME WAY THAT THE GOOD SHEPHERD LOVES HIS SHEEP.





THE TRUE VINE

Who is the vine?

John 15:1

What does Jesus ask us to do?

"Go and bear

John 15:16"

What happens to the branches that do not remain in the vine?

Thrown into the

and

John 15:6

How many times does Jesus command us to LOVE one another?

How many times does Jesus use the word FRUIT?



READ
John 15:1-17

What does Jesus command?

To one another.
John 15:12,17

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All in the month of September

It was:

370 years ago on 19th September that the British Army led by the Black Prince won the Battle of Poitiers and captured of the French King.

360 years ago on 2nd September the Great fire of London started in a bakery in Pudding Lane. It destroyed 85% of the city but only 9 people died.

255 years ago on 10th September 1771 that [Mungo Park](#) was born. The Scottish explorer died in 1806. He travelled the globe and explored West Africa. He published his 'Travels in the Interior of Africa' in 1799.

250 years ago on 24th September that the first Saint Leger horserace is run at Doncaster, Yorkshire.

200 years ago, on 5th September 1826 that John Wisden, British cricketer was born. Founder of *Wisden's Cricketers' Almanac*. Launched with 112 pages in 1864, it now runs to 1500 pages and is the bible of cricket.

175 years ago, on 19th September 1851, Wiliam Lever, 1st Viscount Leverhulme, was born. Co-founder of Lever Brothers with his brother James. Now called Unilever, this global consumer goods company operates in more than 190 countries.

125 years ago, on 29th September 1901 that Enrico Fermi, Italian-born American physicist was born. Creator of the first nuclear reactor, he became known as the 'architect of the nuclear bomb.'

90 years ago, on 7th September 1936 that Buddy Holly, the American rock

and roll singer and hits was born. Killed in a plane crash in 1959.

90 years ago, on 21st September 1936 that Frank Hornby, British inventor, died. Remembered for Meccano, Hornby Model Railways and Dinky Toys.

90 years ago, on 30th September 1936 that Pinewood Studios in Buckinghamshire were officially opened.

80 years ago, on 5th September 1946 that Freddie Mercury, Zanzibar-born British rock singer and songwriter was born. As lead singer of Queen, he sold more than 250 million records worldwide. Including Barcelona which was played at the opening ceremony of the Barcelona Olympics in 1992 a year after his death.

70 years ago, on 25th September 1956 that the world's first transatlantic cable, TAT-1, went into service. It could carry 36 simultaneous calls, later increased to 72. It was retired in 1978.

65 years ago, on 11th September 1961, that the World Wildlife Fund (now the World Wide Fund for Nature) was founded in Switzerland. Nowadays it is the world's largest conservation organisation, operating in nearly 100 countries with over 35 million supporters.

60 years ago, on 8th September 1966 that the Severn Bridge was officially opened. Linking Wales and England over the rivers Severn and Wye, it carries about 32,000 vehicles a day.

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Washburn Heritage Centre

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The Tea Room at the Heritage Centre is open on **SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS** during the summer from 11am until 4pm. We welcome **NEW VOLUNTEERS**. If you can spare a few hours at the weekend once a month we would love to see you in the Tea Room. It's a busy environment, warm and friendly, but you are rewarded with cake!

Our new programme **Churchyard Secrets Shared** continues to excite us with a range of fascinating events running until the end of November. The stunning exhibition is available to view inside the Centre. Leaflets for Churchyard Secrets Shared are available to collect from the Centre. To book a place at any of our events please contact Jenny at the office on **01943 880794** or email centre@washburnvalley.org

Events in September:

Bradford Industrial Museum and Undercliffe Cemetery
Wednesday 2nd September 10.45am to 2.30pm ** SOLD OUT **

A curated visit to this unique museum based in an old mill built in 1875. Experience the sights and sounds of whirring machinery, see the children amongst the looms, visit the manager's house and the collection of Jowett cars. Time to explore and have lunch before moving to nearby Undercliffe Cemetery. Described as the Highgate of the North, Undercliffe opened in 1854 and is Grade 2 listed. We have a 90- minute guided tour of the site and its stunning monuments including one



with a link to the Fewston Assemblage. Tea/coffee and biscuits included at Undercliffe. Cost £12 member, £15 non-member.

Creative writing: 'Inspired by Fewston Headstones'
Thursday 10th September
10.30am – 2.30pm

Many authors have been inspired by the beauty and serenity of churchyards. Enjoy a morning walk examining the headstones in our beautiful churchyard or, if you would rather, peruse the transcripts of the inscriptions in the comfort of the Tea Room. We will share our thoughts and then fortified by drinks and savouries, will be suitably inspired to try our hand at creating a piece of writing based on one or more of the headstones. These can be shared or silently cherished. Cost £12 member, £15 non-member.

Heritage Open Days 2026
Sunday 13th and 20th September,
12.30pm

The Washburn Heritage Centre and Fewston Church are celebrating Heritage Open Days 2026. Take a free guided walk around Fewston Churchyard to view quirky headstones at 12 noon for approx. an hour. Places are limited so booking is essential in the normal way.



heritage open days

You are what and where you eat:
chemical clues to past lives
Tuesday 29th September
7.00pm to 8.30pm

How can teeth and bones reveal the stories of people who lived centuries ago? Professor Michelle Alexander from the University of York introduces isotopic analysis, a scientific technique used in archaeology to explore diet and movement in the past. Using examples from Fewston and Roman York, discover how chemical clues preserved in the skeleton can help us reconstruct past lives. Light refreshments served. Cost £10 member, £12 non-member.

Printing the past
Wednesday 30th September
10.15am to 12.15pm

Join artist and printmaker, Moira McTague on this creative, process-led course suitable for beginners. All



All in the month of August ... continued

50 years ago, on 5th September 1976 that the first episode of the Muppet Show was broadcast on ITV in the UK. It attracted 15 million viewers and ran for five series until March 1981.

40 years ago, on 7th September 1986 that Desmond Tutu became the first black Archbishop of Cape Town. Retired in 1996.

30 years ago, on 27th September 1996 that the Taliban seized control of Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan. Mullah Omar was installed as Head of the Supreme Council and ruled until 2001.

materials will be provided, but as we will be using oil-based inks, please bring an apron. We will take inspiration from the carved motifs found on the gravestones in the churchyard and these will be used as starting points for creating dry point prints. Light refreshments served. Cost £25 member, £32 non-member.

**** ADVANCE NOTICE ****

A Washburn Autumn Market
Saturday 31st October and Sunday 1st
November 11.00am – 4.00pm

Save the date for an opportunity to buy all your Washburn favourite preserves and jams. More news to follow about the launch of a new walks guide: *Walking the Washburn: Exploring the Washburn Valley, 14 circular walks and the Washburn Trail*

25 years ago, on 11th September 2001 that the terrorist attacks on America took place. Al-Qaeda terrorists hijacked four planes and crashed them into the World Trade Centre's Twin Towers in New York, into the Pentagon, and into a field in Pennsylvania (following a passenger revolt – the intended target was Washington DC). 2,973 people were killed.

20 years ago, on 3rd September 2006 that Andre Agassi announced his retirement due to back problems. He was 36, a former world number one in tennis, and the 1996 Olympic champion.



The Birds in Your Garden



Not feeding the birds

How are you getting on with the recent changes to feeding your garden birds? It really does make a difference, doesn't it?

I stopped feeding during the summer several years ago partly because there were not that many takers once the juveniles had dispersed, and partly after reading some French and German articles which suggested that supplementary feeding doesn't do much good and is often wasteful, so I'm used to having a quiet garden. The absence of pigeons is a major bonus though – they trample so many plants, which is not appreciated, especially during dry periods.

I did continue putting out suet balls for a while, they are very popular in the winter, but all I attracted were Blue and Great Tits, and I'm not sure that boosting their numbers is beneficial in the greater scheme of things. Blackbirds are also having a hard time with the ground being so hard, but luckily, we have a couple of apple trees upon which the few Blackbirds still around are merrily munching.

As a reminder, the main recommendations from the BTO and RSPB are:

Suet or meal worms can be put out all year round. (Use good quality suet so that it is less likely to melt in hot weather). Putting out seeds and peanuts is more likely to attract and concentrate finches.

Reduce repeated use of the same feeding spots to avoid a possible build-up of contamination, so that feeders become more like natural food sources which appear and disappear.

This is all linked to Trichomonosis, caused by the protozoan parasite *Trichomonas gallinae*, which causes lesions in the gullet, preventing birds swallowing food and water. Affected birds often become emaciated and may die of starvation. It is commonly spread via regurgitated food and fresh saliva.

The aim is to retain the benefits of feeding while reducing unintended disease risk. Should you spot a bedraggled and possibly diseased bird near your feeders, stop all feeding for three weeks, disinfect your feeders, and keep a sharp eye out for any problems when you restart.

In our garden, the most noticeable change is around the birdbath. Remembering to change the water every day is a hassle, and as we have a small pond there is no real need to provide additional water, but I do miss the comings and goings of birds around it. There was always something happening. Instead, I only fill the bath now and again, mainly on very hot days, and disinfect it more often than I usually would. I also keep a saucer under the ferns topped up for hedgehogs et al. I do wonder how wildlife find enough water, though.

In summary, whatever the time of year, good hygiene remains essential –



offer food little and often, clean feeders regularly, and move them periodically to reduce build-up of waste and contamination. Flat surface feeders, such as bird tables or hanging feeders with trays, appear to carry a higher risk of disease transmission, so should be avoided. If you want to ground feed, scatter the food sparingly and chose a different area each time.

If you find the lives of our garden birds to be of interest and would like to join in and count the feathered occupants of your garden, please visit the BTO Garden BirdWatch website (www.bto.org/gbw). If you know of a group no more than 30 miles from York which would like a talk on garden birds, contact Mike Gray via gbwmike@gmail.com.



Titles: Blackbird in a pond
Blackbird and fruit
Photograph credit: Mike Gray



Recipe ~ Piccalilli



This Recipe is reproduced from the All Saints Weston Recipe book, that was first printed 1st December 1956. 52 years later it was discovered by Reverend Marlene Wilkinson in her mothers possessions and reprinted again. She dedicated it to "Edith and all the other saints who made their Contributions"

68 years later we are sharing the recipes again.
Thank you to the people of Weston for their recipes

Ingredients

1 large cauliflower
2lb carrots
2lb onion
1 marrow
1/2lb sugar
2 tablespoons of flour
1oz turmeric
2 quats of vinegar
3 tablespoons salt

Method

- Wash all the vegetables.
- Cut into small pieces
- Spread in a dish and sprinkle with

salt and leave over night.

- Place the salted vegetables in a pan with vinegar and boil gently for 30 minutes
- Add sugar and stir well
- Mix in the mustard, turmeric and flour.
- Add the rest of the ingredients
- Boil fast stirring all the time for 5 minutes
- Place in sterilized jars and seal once cool.
- Store for two months before eating.

Mrs Coates



The Mystery butterfly

The Butterflies on the August front cover were;



- A Small Tortoiseshell - this one was correct
- The butterfly marked with a ? is a Small Copper.
- The butterfly labelled as an Essex Skipper is in fact a Small Skipper. Essex skippers are moving north but none have been seen in Yorkshire yet.

Thank you to Nigel's butterfly expertise and to readers for the correct identification.



Gardeners Corner



September is a good month to take stock and assess how the garden has fared in the extraordinary summer. It has been so hot and dry, so a time to reflect may result in a change to the way we garden. A recent visit to Perennial's garden at York Gate in Adel was a revelation. A new sand garden has been created there with plants thriving in the summer heat, without the need for water. It is certainly worth a visit, providing inspiration for perhaps adapting a part of your own garden.

Meanwhile, there are lots of jobs to do. As the summer heat dwindles and light levels fade, it is time to move houseplants back inside. They will require less water.

Continue deadheading annuals and picking sweet peas but don't be in too much of a hurry to tidy up perennial plants. Many will have seeds for the birds to enjoy, or hollow stems for overwintering insects. The butterflies and bees will still be visiting buddlejas and asters and sedums, which will have enjoyed the summer heat. Make a note of any perennial plants which have become congested, so that they can be divided, either now or in the spring. Spread a thick layer of mulch over any bare soil to protect and

condition it ready for next year's planting.

Once the raspberries have finished cropping, take the old canes right down to ground level and tie in the new strong canes to their supports. Any potatoes that have not already been harvested can be dug now and left on the surface for a while to dry before storing them in a cool dark frost-free place. Similarly apples should be ready to pick and store carefully; check them regularly and remove any that are bruised or rotting. Check brassicas such as Brussels sprouts and purple sprouting and stake them for support in high winter winds.

Now that the birds will have completed their breeding cycle, it is safe to cut hedges and trim shrubs. Box can be cut but do make sure that you disinfect your shears regularly, to avoid spreading disease and blight. Keep them sharp to avoid damage to stems.

Finally, September is a great time to order bulbs to plant during the month. There is such a huge variety that will bring colour and joy from early spring through to the summer months. Something to look forward to as the days cool and shorten!



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OUR MAGAZINE

Feeling inspired?

The magazine is created by compiling contributions from readers, the many people associated with running the churches, societies, clubs and event holders. Thank you to everyone for sending in items each month.

If you feel inspired to write an article for the magazine. Share some news, a poem or a seasonal recipe, please send them to the editor.

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