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Music: Wendy Unsworth (Pen), Janette Wilson (HM)
Flowers: Mrs J Houghton (Pen), Margaret Sauce (HM)
Refreshments: Anna Mitchinson, Brian Snook (Pen)

**8 October**
Music: Margaret Pearse (Pen), Graham Green (HM)
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**Diary 2-15 October 2017**

**Monday 2 October**
10.30 Service at Green Park: Kevin Parkinson
7.30 House Group at 81 North Park Brook Road
7.45 745 Ladies Group (Pen)
Andrew Mulholland: Manna From Heaven

**Tuesday 3 October**
10.30 Little Angels (Pen): The parable of the fine pearl

**Wednesday 4 October**
10.00 Coffee Morning at Hood Manor

**Thursday 5 October**
12.00 Women’s Fellowship (Pen)
Lunch and Autumn Fayre
2.30 Ladies’ Afternoon Fellowship (HM)
7.30 Drama rehearsal (Pen)

**Friday 6 October**

**Saturday 7 October**
2.30 Open Afternoon with Revd Loraine Mellor at Padgate
7.00 Youth Service (Pen) [see overleaf]

**Monday 9 October**
1.40 House Group at 47 Southdale
7.30 House Group at 81 North Park Brook Road
7.30 House Group at 57 Chapel Road
8.00 Ladies’ Evening Fellowship (HM)
Jane Grey: The Stroke Association

**Tuesday 10 October**
10.30 Little Angels (Pen): The parable of the lost coins
11.00 Service at Three Elms: David Barker

**Wednesday 11 October**

**Thursday 12 October**
2.00 Knit & Natter (Pen)
2.30 Ladies’ Afternoon Fellowship (HM)
7.30 Drama rehearsal (Pen)
7.30 House Group at 1 Henderson Close

**Friday 13 October**

**Saturday 14 October**

**Sunday 15 October**
10.30 Pen: Worship: Revd David Easton
Tea/Coffee: Edna Owen, Dorothy Wilkinson, Sue Dickenson
11.00 HM: Worship: John Pennington
7.30 Pen: Youth Group

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Hope Journey
is an initiative where churches help to deliver parts of the RE curriculum for primary school children. Our Journey at Penketh is on 4 December and centres on the Nativity story. We have invited local schools to meet the angels, shepherds, donkey and even a real baby Jesus (if available) as they journey round the church. The session is fun but it challenges the children to re-imagine the events and interact with the characters. Training for the Hope Journey is taking place at Penketh Methodist on Thurs 19 October 10.30-12.30. Please come along if you feel you can help in any capacity, as a character or behind the scenes. If you feel you can help please contact me at lou.wheeldon@gmail.com or Helen at helencoleman@methodist.org.uk

Thank you in anticipation. Laura Dickenson

CLIPS MAGAZINE
The magazine will in future appear only three times a year. The next issue of Clips will be issued on Sunday 15 October. If you wish to include anything in that issue, please forward it to the editors by 1 October at the latest.

Ladies of 7:45
As we are having our Christmas meal in the Red Lion followed by worship in church I've been asked to pass in a deposit of £5 a head a.s.a.p. Could you please therefore bring your deposit to the next meeting and give it to me or another member of Group 3?

Thank you. Pamela Stephenson on behalf of Group 3

Penketh Methodist Players present a Ghost Story
UNEXPECTED GUESTS by Ian Rayner
Thursday-Saturday 26-28 October at 7.30pm
Tickets on sale now from The Olive Tree office
Adult £6, Under-16 £3, Family (parents & own children) £15

Dear All: MARY'S MEALS
I'm appealing to your generosity again this year on behalf of all the children whose lives can be made better by supporting Mary's Meals. 'In a rather uncertain and sometimes confusing world, the simplicity and effectiveness of Mary's Meals becomes even more important,' writes Magnus MacFarlane-Barlow, the founder of Mary's Meals. It costs £13.90 to feed a child for an entire school year. 93p for every £1 you donate is spent directly on charitable activities. So please donate a monetary gift direct to me or place donations to the Backpack Project in the box provided in the office.

What goes in the backpack? - notepad, pencils, pens, crayons, eraser, ruler, sharpener, pencil case, towel, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, spoon, t-shirt or dress, flip-flops or sandals, shorts or skirt, small ball.

Thank you again on behalf of the children who can't thank you themselves.

God bless you all. Pamela Stephenson

Thank you for supporting so generously our Coffee Day in aid of Mencap
With your help we raised £536.00 for this worthwhile cause. Your support was greatly appreciated.
Thank you so much. Sheila

NEEDED FOR THE FOOD_BANK
An Invitation to join the Circuit Choir Sunday 8 October 6.30pm at Stockton Heath when Revd Loraine Mellor will be preaching.

We will only be having one rehearsal in the afternoon at 3.30pm on the day of the service. Following the rehearsal, tea will be provided for Choir members in the Community Hall prior to the service. It would be helpful for catering purposes if you could let us know if you wish to join us.

Details: John Stott (johnastott@btinternet.com)

LIVERPOOL DISTRICT LADIES’ LUNCH CLUB
Wednesday 11 October - Lunch at 12.00 noon Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool Cost £15.00
Anyone wishing to go to this Lunch, please see Barbara Creamer for a booking form

Midweek Communion at Hood Manor
third Wednesday each month at 10.30am
The next one is on Wednesday 18 October

Harvest Service 1 October - Hood Manor
11.00am: Revd Mark Coles
Your gifts would be appreciated for Water Aid and the Foodbank. Thank you in anticipation.

Open afternoon with Revd Loraine Mellor Saturday 7 October at 2.30pm at Padgate Methodist Church

YOUTH SERVICE AT PENKETH METHODIST Saturday 7 October at 7.00pm - All welcome
Hosted by the young people from the local area who attend various youth groups and churches.
Please come and support them as they set out on their faith journey. Details from Linda Murdoch (07594 356260).

At the end of October Laura Dickenson will be travelling to Tanzania to volunteer with the charity Forever Angels.
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