

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN LEYLAND**  
**Minutes of the meeting Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019**  
**At Leyland Methodist Church**

- 1) **Welcome and Prayers** – V/Chairman Christine welcomed everyone and Peter Fitton opened the meeting in prayer.

2) **Attendance and Apologies**

**Present:** Baptist Church :- Michael O'Donnell  
Leyland Methodist :- Kathryn Grannel, David Marston  
Midge Hall :- Muriel Butler, Eileen Cuerden  
St. Andrew's :- Margaret Dixon Edna Finch  
St. Ambrose :- Rita Braithwaite  
St. Marys :- Kate Jordan  
URC :- Christine Holmes  
St James :- Nerys Hughes  
St John's :- Peter Fitton, Rev Barbara Wilson, Diane Barnard

**Apologies:** Baptist Church: Tony Crawford  
LMC :- Rev P Gough, Linda Barnes  
Holy Apostles :- Rebecca Higgs  
Midge Hall :- Deacon Ellen Monk-Winstanley  
St Ambrose :- Rev D Clarke, Eileen & Robert Haydock  
St Andrew's :- Rev Duncan Bell  
St Marys :- Teresa & Martin Smith  
URC :- Eddie Reynolds  
St James' :- Maddy Parkinson

- 3) Minutes of the last meeting were read and signed by Christine

- 4) Matters Arising : Chairman Teresa had asked if Church Congregations were thanked for donating to the FOODBANK Monthly stats are sent to Churches to be included in their Newsletters/magazines or as a Poster. **CLARIFICATION NEEDED AS TO WHO RECEIVES THIS INFORMATION AND HOW IT IS PASSED ON**

Proposed Fund Raising information sheet for a new Furniture Van was circulated covering next 12 months – will be subject to change.

- 5) Past Events – Margaret Dixon was thanked for hosting and presenting an excellent WORLD DAY OF PRAYER at St Andrews 1<sup>st</sup> March. Disappointed that it was poorly attended. Need to encourage more people to attend and support women in other parts of the world.

GOOD FRIDAY – thanks to good weather was well supported with up to 200 people of a wide age range attending. Thanks to Tash from St Ambrose, Rev Phil Gough and Gemma from LMC for music, to Martin Smith and Dave Holmes for sound system. Extra chairs were also provided by the Chip Shop and distributed by Associate Vicar of St Andrews. Christine said that the Chip Shop had supported CTL at Christmas events. Advertising for future events using Leyland Leader, Leyland Hub, Radio Lancashire, Facebook was suggested. Posters sent to Alison Hardman at SRBC would be displayed on Noticeboards in the borough

- 6) Future Events – Summer Festival 15<sup>th</sup> June, 'Jesus Christ, Superstar – Who Are You ?' is the theme for MESSY CHURCH. Activities will be run by different Churches. Prayer Tent 2018 was popular due to bad weather. IF a Prayer Tent was run this year it would need people from CLT on a rota basis. Paper Vine Leaves would be Prayer Requests. **Help needed at 4.00 p.m Friday to set up and 5.00 p.m. Saturday to dismantle tent.** Rev Barbara Wilson said that when asked last year ' which Church is it doing this ' she had replied it's ' more than one '. Should a list of CTL be put up outside the Tent and/or leaflets given out during the procession to advertise?

The One Voice Choir Concert on 28<sup>th</sup> June at St Johns Church – **each Church is asked to provide cakes for refreshments – either 1 large or 12 small. Contact Eileen Cuerden or Christine Holmes for further information.**

- 7) Outreach Leaflet – Mock-up leaflet was circulated - Martin Smith asked if these could be reviewed and any final wording and updated photographs be sent directly to him by 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY, if not provided by that date, details would be taken from Church websites and he himself would take photographs. Some text was too long, some too short, the intention was to give the reader or newcomer to the area, a flavour of what goes on at that Church. Mike Cowburn to update graphics and layout and a version be brought to the next meeting. The meeting felt that the original and 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary logos be included, rather than the cartoon type drawings presently being used.
- 8) Dementia Friendly Churches – Christine urged more Churches sign up to the SRBC Charter and a poster giving details of Dementia Awareness Week 20<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> May activities was circulated. Dementia Friendly training had been delivered to Taxi drivers and shops in the borough. Please contact Christine if you need more information.
- 9) Churches Together in Lancashire – Anton Muller, Ecumenical Officer for Lancashire has offered to take any service on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month and will be at Leyland URC on 29<sup>th</sup> September – all are invited to this ecumenical service.
- 10) AOB - Nelson & Colne College will run a 9 week Volunteer Training Programme at any providing a minimum of 8 people ( aged 19 and over ) are interested.

Rita Braithwaite will arrange prayers at next meeting

Information packs of posters were given to Reps to display at their Churches

LMC were thanked for hosting the meeting and providing refreshments

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm with all present saying the CLT prayer.

**NEXT MEETING :- THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> JULY 7.30pm at St Ambrose**

**AGM MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 7.30pm at St Andrews**