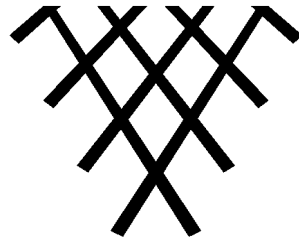


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## **The Minister writes:**

This is the first magazine of 2015, so I would like to begin with wishing you a Happy New Year.

This time last year I was writing about the imminent dismantling of the old church building, and inviting people to a service that we held to commemorate its place in the community. We had a really good turn out, so thank you to those who supported that, and came to tea at the Centre afterwards. It was a moving service and I was encouraged by the number of people who came

We are determined that the old site will continue to be a sacred space where people can come to sit, reflect or pray. We are working with Groundworks to take the ideas that have come from the community and turn them into a workable plan to include the War Memorial and an attractive seating area. We are now looking for funding to take the plans forward. People have been offering to contribute, either with funds or with time and skills. The more we can work together to put the plans into place, the more it will be a genuine community project that will be sustainable and we can be proud of. Let us know if you would like to help.

With the old building gone, there is the opportunity and challenge to continue to develop a place of worship in Stanley that people will want to use for the important occasions in life when people naturally turn to the church: weddings, baptisms and funerals. The place we are seeking to develop is the old nursery building we are using now. From the outside, architecturally it is clearly a school. We are looking for ways to transform its identity so that it is clearly a place of Christian worship as well as a place to serve the community in other ways.

The council have kindly agreed for an Asset Transfer of the building to us for 25 years. If we are going to do major work on it, it would be helpful to have a longer lease, and we are in discussions about that now. Please pray that they will be successful. We would welcome ideas from the village, so if you feel inspired, please get in touch.

*Rev Bill Henderson*

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## **St Peter's Church Services**

*All services are held at the Church Centre,  
Lake Lock Road, Stanley*

<b>Sunday</b>	10am	Family Communion
	3pm	Evensong (on the first Sunday of every month)
<b>Tuesday</b>	2pm	Prayers
<b>Wednesday</b>	9:30 am	Holy Communion
<b>Thursday</b>	9:15 am	Children's Ark

## **Other Christian Worship**

**METHODIST CHURCH:** Lee Mount Chapel  
Sunday: 10:30am service, including junior church

Minister: Rev Naomi Kaiga BD MA  
email: [nkirotekaiga@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nkirotekaiga@hotmail.co.uk), tel: 01977 705100  
Steward: Mrs Doreen Abson, telephone: 01924 824577

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[www.zionchurch.co.uk](http://www.zionchurch.co.uk), telephone: 01924 872262

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## DATES FOR FEBRUARY

- Sat 31st Jan**      Burns Night Supper: a fun Scottish evening.  
**7pm**                      Contact the church office for details.
- Sun 1st Feb**              Evensong: with Holy Communion.  
**3pm**
- Tues 3rd Feb**              Senior Citizens' Lunch club with activities and a  
**10am—2pm**                      hot meal, every Tuesday. See p13 For details.
- Weds 4th Feb**              Coffee Afternoon at Mount Road Chapel with  
**2pm—4pm**                      cakes, refreshments etc. See p10 for details.
- Weds 4th Feb**              Taize Service with meditative and prayerful  
**7.30pm**                      music. All welcome.
- Sun 8th Feb**              Education Sunday Family & Parade service: with  
**10am**                      the uniformed organisations.
- Thurs 12th Feb**              Moorhouse Action Group meeting: come and  
**6pm**                      share any issues about Moorhouse, see p11.
- Fri 13th Feb**              Film Club: 'Dan in Real Life' starring the always  
**7:30pm**                      excellent Steve Carell. See p16 for a review.
- Sat 14th Feb**              Coffee morning at the Community Centre with  
**10am-12pm**                      tombola, cake stall, and much more, see p10.
- Sun 15th Feb**              Holy Space: an informal monthly evening  
**7.30pm**                      service with prayer and worship. All welcome.
- Weds 18th Feb**              Ash Wednesday Service to mark the beginning  
**7.30pm**                      of Lent. See p12 for more info about Lent.
- Weds 25th Feb**              PCC Meeting  
**7.30pm**
- Fri 6th March**              Women's World Day of Prayer at Parkside  
**7.30pm**                      Methodist Church, Leeds Rd. See p14 for info.
- Sun 22nd Mar**              Church APCM: the annual meeting will be held  
**12pm**                      after the morning service. All welcome.
- Sat 28th Mar**              Spring Fair at Stanley Community Centre with  
**10am-12.30pm**                      lots of stalls. Full details next month.

## STANLEY LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Stanley Library** offers a wide selection of books, talking books, selected language tapes, DVDs for hire, as well as a photocopier/A4 colour photocopier, fax machine, newspapers and selected magazines. There are also public access computers, offering free internet access, and basic computer programs (i.e. word processing). There are also free UK Online computer courses available offering internet training and Introduction to Computers —please ask in the library.

### OPENING HOURS

Monday	9am—5pm
Tuesday	9am—5pm
Wednesday	Closed all day
Thursday	9am—7pm
Friday	9am—5pm
Saturday	9am—1pm

**Reading Groups:** There are two Reading groups: one meets in the morning of the first Monday of every month, and the second meets in the evening of the first Thursday of every month. Check with the library for times and book details.

**Activities for Children:** There is a Tiny Tots Storytime for under 5's, 11:30-12pm on certain Mondays: check with the Library for dates. Other activities for children are organised in most school holidays—please ask for details.

**Family History Group:** The Family History Group meets on the first Tuesday of every month, from 11am-12pm.

**Coffee Morning:** There is a coffee morning every Thursday morning, 10am-12 noon. Come and relax with friends over a cuppa.

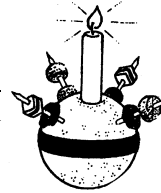
**The Community Centre:** The hall, two rooms and well equipped kitchen are available for hire. Contact the Librarian on 01924 303130 to book in advance.



## Thank you for your generosity

Towards the end of 2014, there were a number of charity collections for various causes at St Peter's. The appeals were very well supported by our local community and your kindness and generosity is much appreciated:

- The Stanley Community Singers held a wonderful and very well attended Christmas Concert on 14th December 2014 and raised £400 which was shared equally between Bowel Cancer UK and Wakefield & District Down's Syndrome support group.
- The congregation of St Peter's took part in the annual 'Share a Christmas Card' scheme and raised £83.40 for Wakefield Hospice.
- St Peter's Church donated £1,315 to Water for Life for their rain-water harvesting project in Sakawa, Tanzania.
- The St Nicholas Day Service on 7th December 2014 was very well supported by the uniformed organisations and the congregation, and hundreds of wrapped Christmas presents were donated to Barnados to distribute amongst children and young people in the UK.
- The Christingle Services on 11th January were well attended by the community and the uniformed groups. Together we raised an incredible £308 in aid of the Children's Society which supports children in the UK who are not so fortunate. Thanks also to everyone who worked hard beforehand to prepare the oranges.



**Evensong at 3pm:** During the winter months, Evensong starts at 3pm on the first Sunday of each month. The next Evensong services will be on Sunday 1st February and 1st March at 3pm.



### ***Prayer Meeting—every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm***

The weekly prayer meeting at St Peter's Church continues to meet every Tuesday from 2pm-3pm, led by Calli McKenna. Call in to pray for those in trouble, sorrow, sickness or need; for family, friends, the community and the world. Everyone welcome; just come along.

## Mount Road Methodist Chapel Events

- The next Coffee Afternoon at Mount Road chapel will be on Wednesday 4th February, from 2pm—4pm with various stalls and refreshments. Everyone welcome.



### Knit and Natter, Sew and Chatter!

At St Peter's Church Centre, every Thursday, 2pm-4pm

Enjoy a cuppa, company and a 'crafty' afternoon!

Please come and join this established group of ladies as they knit, sew, compare ideas and patterns, learn new crafty skills, and share conversation, refreshments and friendship.

**Just turn up: you will be very warmly welcomed**

Thanks to everyone who has donated wool to the Knit & Natter group over the past year or more. Please bring any wool to the group on a Thursday afternoon, or to the church office anytime.



### Coffee morning thank-you

Thank you to everyone who supported our last two coffee mornings. On 13th December £218 was raised, and on 10th January £169 was raised. The next coffee morning will be on Saturday 14th February from 10am—12pm at Stanley Community Centre with lots of great stalls: a superb cake stall, handmade greetings cards, tombola, raffle, children's tombola, jigsaws, books and toys, and more!

Donations of books, small toys and jigsaws in good condition would be appreciated. Please contact Mavis Darlington on 822251 or bring your items to the office at St Peter's Church Centre.



Please join us for a very pleasant and enjoyable morning.

## Stanley Community Singers

The Stanley Community Singers meet at St Peter's Church, every Monday (in term-time), 1pm—2:30pm

**Come and join our friendly group of singers!**

No previous experience required, just a love of singing!  
We sing a variety of different music including pop, musicals, spirituals and modern classics. Come along, make some new friends and enjoy a good sing-song!

**We sing from 1pm-2pm with time afterwards for refreshments and chat. Cost per session = £2.**

*Why not arrive a bit earlier and have your lunch in the Community Café?  
Sandwiches, salads, all-day breakfasts and hot meals all served.*

## Moorhouse Community Action Group

The next meeting of the Moorhouse Community Action Group will be on Thursday 12th February at 6pm at St Peter's Church. Please come along and raise any issues specific to Moorhouse with local councillors and WDH representatives.



## After school sports for young people 8-12 years

Every Monday in term-time,  
Stanley Community Centre,  
3.45pm—4.45pm

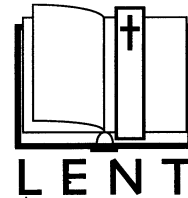


Come along to the WDH Activity Zone and play fun games, try new sports and have FUN!! For boys and girls aged 8-12 years.

Please wear suitable active clothing and bring a drink.  
Parent/guardian to complete consent form at first session.

## Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent

This month sees the beginning of Lent, the 40 days of preparation running up to Easter. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, which this year falls on Wednesday 17th February.



The forty days of Lent is a reference to the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert fasting and praying, and preparing for his public ministry. He also taught his disciples to fast, so that they had time to focus on God and make time for prayer. Prayer and fasting often go hand in hand; 'So we fasted and petitioned our God about this, and he answered our prayer.' (Ezra 6:23)

Sometimes people might fast by missing a meal during the day to make time to seek God (although obviously this isn't suitable for some people). Others might refrain from TV or alcohol, or whatever else might get in the way of being fully focused on God.

In recent years, there have been campaigns to encourage people to start doing something during Lent, instead of giving something up. These might include carrying out a random act of kindness every day, or something more planned such as volunteering, or actively helping a neighbour in need.

Celebrate the start of Lent, and commit to giving something up, or starting something new, at the Ash Wednesday service at St Peter's Church on Wednesday 17th February at 7.30pm.

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### *From the Stanley Parish Register*

#### *Funerals*

Pat Ekert	3 December 2014
Aileen Eggleston	6 January 2015
Raymond Andrews	8 January 2015
Grace Bridges	19 January 2015
Peggy Fox	22 January 2015
Michael Backhouse	27 January 2015

#### *Baptisms*

Cole Harley Shea	2 November 2014
Ellie Mae Wood	16 November 2014



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# Lunch Club

At St Peter's Church, Lake Lock Road

**Every Tuesday, 10am—2pm**

- Arrive from 10am-10.30 and enjoy tea or coffee and a chat
- Followed by an activity, talk, game, craft, film, sing-along or similar.
- So far there have been historic films of the local area, dementia awareness, slide show of a visit to Africa, advice on keeping warm in winter, a talk about the Women's Land Army, and more!
- Lunch served from 12:30pm: a freshly cooked hot meal followed by dessert
- Ideal for anyone wanting a bit of companionship and something to do!

**Cost per person = £5**

**It would be helpful if you could phone  
the church office on 01924 835746 and  
let us know that you will be coming**



## **Women's World Day of Prayer**

*Friday 6th March, 7:30pm,  
Parkside Methodist Church, Leeds Rd, Outwood*



### **Jesus said to them: “Do you know what I have done to you?”**

Women's World Day of Prayer is a international, inter-church organisation which enables us to hear the voices of women from all parts of the world: their hopes, concerns and prayers. Every year, a great wave of prayer rises with the sun over the island of Samoa and sweeps across Asia, Africa, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas, coming to rest in American Samoa some 36 hours later. By then, the WWDP service will have been celebrated in over 170 countries.

This year, the service has been prepared by the women of the Bahamas and is entitled—‘Jesus said to them: “Do you know what I have done to you?”’

The Bahamas comprises 700 islands scattered over 100,000 square miles of water in the Atlantic ocean. Only a small number of the islands are populated, supporting a population of 353,600. The majority of people live on the main island of New Providence. About 86% of the population is descended from African slaves; the slave trade was abolished in 1802.

Whilst women have occupied some key roles in the government and law courts, women did not get the vote until 1962 and still have a low status in law. Mothers are expected to take sole responsibility for their families and husbands or partners, and are often punished more severely than men for the same crime. There are few work opportunities for women outside the domestic and hospitality industries.

The Bahamas is overwhelmingly Christian, and has been since 1647 when a group of English puritans settled on the islands. Today, the church helps in practical ways—running drug rehabilitation and programmes, and working with people with HIV and AIDS.

All are welcome—men and women, and people of all ages—to this year's local WWDP service, which will be held at Parkside Methodist Church, on Leeds Road in Outwood, at 7:30pm on Friday 6th March.

## **First Woman Bishop arrives in the Church of England**

The Rt Revd Libby Lane became the first woman to be consecrated as a bishop in the Church of England on Monday 26th January. At a service at York Minster led by Dr John Sentamu, Archbishop of York, Libby became the 8th Bishop of Stockport.

Speaking in December when her appointment was first announced, she said: "I am grateful for, though somewhat daunted by, the confidence placed in me by the Diocese of Chester. This is unexpected and very exciting. I am very conscious of all those who have gone before me, women and men, who for decades have looked forward to this moment. But most of all I am thankful to God.

"The Church of England is called to serve all people of this country and, being present in every community, we communicate our faith best when our lives build up the lives of others, especially the most vulnerable. I am excited by the possibilities and challenges ahead."

She was ordained priest in 1994 and served a number of roles in the North of England, including as a hospital chaplain and as a chaplain in further education, before moving to the Diocese of Chester, and then becoming vicar of St Peter's Hale and St Elizabeth's Ashley, in 2007.

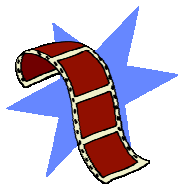
In 2013, she was elected as one of the first eight clergy women to sit as Participant Observers in the House of Bishops of the Church of England. In January 2010 she took on the role of Dean of Women in Ministry in Chester Diocese.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Revd Justin Welby, said: "Her Christ-centred life, calmness and clear determination to serve the church and the community make her a wonderful choice."



And the Bishop of Chester, the Rt. Revd Dr Peter Forster, added: "As the first woman bishop in the Church of England she will face many challenges as well as enjoying many opportunities to be an ambassador for Jesus Christ. I have no doubt that she has the gifts and determination to be an outstanding bishop."

Bishop Libby is married to husband George, who is a Chaplain at Manchester Airport, and they have two grown up children.



St Peter's Church  
**Film Club**



**Friday evening, 13th February, 7:30pm**

**'Dan in Real Life' (2007) PG Rating**

Starring the incomparable Steve Carell, this light-hearted romantic drama centres around the character of Dan Burns (Carell), a newspaper columnist, widower, and single father of three girls who travel to his parents' house in Rhode Island for a family reunion. Dan encounters a woman called Marie, who he feels an instant connection with, but then she turns out to be the new girlfriend of his younger brother! And so the comedy begins... Full of believable, yet quirky characters, gentle humour and a sweet and engaging storyline, this film was released without huge fanfare, but has received excellent reviews for its poignancy and superb storytelling. The film also stars Juliette Binoche, Dane Cook, Alison Pill and Britt Robertson.

**Free admission, tea & coffee, but bring your own popcorn!**

*Film shown at St Peter's Church, Lake Lock Road, doors open 7pm*

***West Riding Watercolour Society  
& Art Group***



The group meets monthly for demonstrations from visiting artists, or for workshops to share techniques and knowledge. Open to everyone, including beginners, at £3 per session.

**Next meeting: 7pm-9pm at St Peter's Church, Stanley,  
on Monday 16th February for a painting evening.  
Phone 01924 784747 for more information.**



## **Reports from our local schools**

### **Stanley Grove School**

*Aberford Road, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4NT, Tel: 01924 303805*

*Website: [www.stanleygroveprimary.co.uk](http://www.stanleygroveprimary.co.uk) Headteacher: Mrs J Frost*

Our new term is already well underway, with lots of exciting things to look forward. Firstly however, we were delighted with the success of our Christmas Fair which raised £711, some of which has already been used to purchase new play equipment. Many thanks to all the parents, staff and families for their support and generosity.

We were very proud of the school's position in the latest league tables. Out of 158 schools in Wakefield, Stanley Grove was 4th overall for children achieving level 4B+ at age 10/11 and 3rd for level 5+. This is an outstanding achievement, and shows that because of the efforts of our staff and pupils, our children are succeeding at levels expected for their age and above.

A group of our pupils recently took part in the annual Young Voices concert at Sheffield Arena with 7,000 other children from the surrounding area. All the children had been rehearsing for many months to learn all the songs and the actions, but the hard work paid off, because it was an excellent event and the children thoroughly enjoyed being part of it.

Class 3 will be visiting Leeds City Museum this term to support their class topic about Ancient Greece, and will also be receiving pedestrian training. Class 5 will be taking part in an Animation Creation workshop which will use iPads to enhance science learning, and our Year 5 and 6 children will be having a special assembly from Childline.

Other topics being studied this term include Ancient Egypt (Class 6), the Mayans and South America (Class 5), the Vikings (Class 4), Ancient Greece (Class 3), Elizabeth I and other famous people (Class 2), and Traditional Tales (Class 1). At the beginning of next month, the whole school will be celebrating World Book Day on 5th March with a range of fun activities.

We will also be continuing with our class assemblies—these are wonderful opportunities for the children to show their parents and the rest of the school what they have been working on.

*(Continued on page 18)*

## Stanley Children's Centre

Long Causeway, Stanley, Wakefield, WF3 4JB, Tel: 01924 303181,

Open: Monday to Friday 8:30am—4:30pm Centre Manager: Liz Cooper

The Children's Centre offers support services to families with children under 5 and parents-to-be: fun activities, advice on parenting, childcare, education, benefits and finance, housing, support for childminders; adult courses; antenatal care; child health promotion clinic; breastfeeding support and more. See below for details of the regular groups and sessions, or contact the centre for more information.

Day	Time	Group
Monday	1.30pm—3pm 2pm—4:30pm	<u>Stay &amp; Play</u> for ages 18 months—5 years. <u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed.
Tuesday	10am—12pm 1pm—1:30pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Breastfeeding support</u> <u>Baby Time</u> from birth—8 months.
Wednesday	1pm—3pm 1:30pm—3pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Time for Tots</u> from 8—18 months.
Thursday	1pm—3:30pm 1pm—4pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Health Trainers</u> : appointment needed.
Friday	10am—12:30pm 2pm—4pm	<u>Child Health Reviews</u> : appointment needed. <u>Midwife Drop-in Clinic</u>

### All in the month of February....

- 100 years ago, on 1st February 1915: Sir Stanley Matthews was born, one of the greatest British football players of all time.
- 70 years ago, from 13th-15th Feb 1945: the bombing of Dresden—the allies completely destroyed the inner city, killing 25,000 people.
- 65 years ago, on 8th Feb 1950: the first ever payment by credit card took place at Major's Cabin Grill restaurant in New York.
- 30 years ago, on 19th Feb 1985: the first episode of 'Eastenders' was broadcast in the UK.
- 20 years ago, on 26th Feb 1995: Barings Bank, the oldest merchant bank in London collapsed after trader Nick Leeson lost £827 million
- 10 years ago, on 14th Feb 2005: the popular video-sharing website YouTube was founded.

## Saluting Free Trade

This month we can celebrate two decades of the Fairtrade movement, founded back in 1995. Recent research showed that 78 per cent of the UK public now recognise the Fairtrade Mark, which stands for the world's largest and most recognised fair-trade system. Its aim is to secure a better deal for farmers and workers.

Based in Bonn, Germany, it sets international standards, organises support for producers around the world and promotes trade justice internationally.

The work of building a market for fair-trade products is carried out by national Fairtrade organisations across the world. There are such organisations not only in Europe but also in India, South Korea, Hong Kong and Kenya.

An independent company runs the Fairtrade certification system, ensuring that the relevant social and environmental standards are met for new raw materials and products. Here in the UK, the Fairtrade Foundation is an independent organisation that provides independent certification that licenses use of the Fairtrade Mark on products in the UK.

The Foundation was established in 1992 by CAFOD, Christian Aid, Oxfam, Traidcraft and the National Federation of Women's Institutes (to name just a few).



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### ***Miscellaneous observations on life:***

- \* Families are often like fudge - mostly sweet, with a few nuts.
- \* Some cause happiness wherever they go. Others, whenever they go.
- \* You can't have everything - where would you put it?
- \* Advert in newspaper: Home computer, as new. Never been figured out.
- \* Be nice to your kids. They'll choose your nursing home.
- \* The trouble with referees is that they just don't care which side wins.

### ***Seen in a church newsletter:***

- \* For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a crèche downstairs.
- \* Next Friday the church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility. Do come along!

## The story of the Chaplain's Pennant in the Royal Navy

During the Dutch Wars in the 17th Century, when the English and Dutch fleets were engaged in a series of battles in the English Channel, both fleets were commanded by devoutly religious officers; Admiral Blake for the English and Admiral Tromp for the Dutch. They both ensured that every ship's company, before battle commenced, paused for prayers before the mast-head at the start of each day. The worry was that one side would steal an advantage over the other.

A solution was found when the two Admirals agreed that in both fleets the English and Dutch national flags would be sewn together and raised and lowered simultaneously at the start and finish of masthead prayers.

A century later, when Rear-Admiral Richard Kempenfelt devised a signalling system with flags for the Royal Navy, a Church (or Chaplain's) Pennant was created. Continuing the experience from the Dutch Wars, the Cross of St. George and the Dutch Tri-Colour were combined in a single pennant. During divine service or a burial at sea the pennant was to be flown from the Starboard outer yardarm.

By this time peace had been established between the English and the Dutch, so the pennant was now a more positive symbol of reconciliation. It has remained the Church Pennant in the Royal Navy to this day.



Every time the Church Pennant is raised, during ship's company prayers, the pennant is, in one sense, an uncomfortable reminder of the ambiguity of war, on sea or on land. Many on both sides of a conflict devoutly pray that God will give them victory, assuming God is on their side. Can God be on both sides at once?

Jesus has shown us where God is. He is alongside anyone caught up in the turmoil and agony of life's experience, redeeming us by his love, whichever side we are on, deserving or not. Like the woman being stoned by self-righteous Pharisees for being caught in the act of adultery; Jesus rescued her by his redeeming love. And God's love redeems in every human conflict. Enemies become allies. This is what the Royal Navy's Church Pennant ultimately came to demonstrate.

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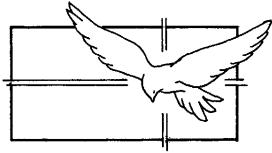
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## *Prayers for February*

### **Father's Love**

That heaven-holding  
memory of certainty,  
hearing his voice,  
knowing his love,  
Creator's love,  
never ending,  
unfailing,  
enveloping his son  
that day in the river.

Only living that memory  
made possible  
the cross-road walk,  
bearing the world's weight.

Only the on-going reality  
of love and delight  
and fatherhood  
could turn defeat  
into victory,  
join earth to heaven  
and unblock ears  
in all generations to hear,

You are my beloved  
child,  
whom I love -  
I delight in you, too.  
*By Daphne Kitching*



### **Jesus**

If I could package faith into one parcel  
And collect all hope into a single can –  
If I could roll all love into one heart-ball  
And commoditise it in a living man  
I'd already have a fully detailed label  
Prepared before the world itself began -  
And it would have one name -  
And that name – JESUS -  
At the centre of God's universal plan  
To take the world along the course  
God's surge of love provoked  
Till wholeness flows through everything  
With God's Spirit of life unyoked.

*By Sam Doubtfire*

### **O Come All You that Love the Lord**

O come, all you that love the Lord  
And praise Him to the height  
O praise Him for His powerful word  
O praise His acts of might!

With trumpet sound, with harp and string  
With tambourine and song,  
With flutes and cymbals as we sing  
We'll praise Him all day long!

If you have breath within your chest  
If you have life, then sing!  
O praise Him for he gives the best  
Praise God for everything!

*By Nigel Beeton*

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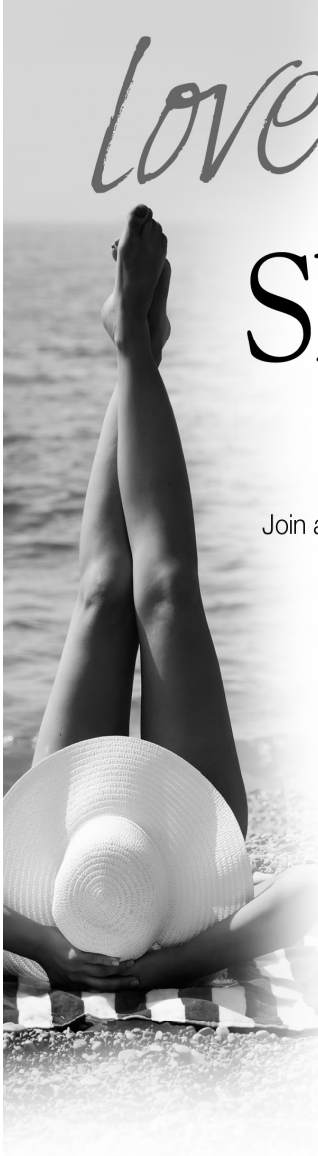
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