On May 17th the Plough are putting on a play called, "The Passion of the Living Spit". The publicity material states, "Get ready to witness the most divine comedy of all time. Join us for a hilarious theatrical journey through the life and unfortunate death of the bearded, ethnically ambiguous offspring of God, Jesus H. Christ. With a dash of irreverent wit, a sprinkle of divine inspiration and a hearty helping of tasteless biblical buffoonery. They're going to nail it!" "This is a Sunday school lesson unlike any other...." They also give the warning, "Contains strong language. Not for the faint hearted or extremely religious"

This seems distasteful to say the least. The Church leaders are writing to the company producing this, to the Artistic Director of the Plough, Richard Wolfenden-Brown and to the Chair of the Council of Management to express our disquiet and ask that this doesn't take place. We, the Church leaders, invite you to respond individually as you see fit.

If you wish to have a word with me, then please do. Rob

WhatsApp users are invited to join The Great Torrington Methodist Prayer Group. This will provide the opportunity to ask for prayers and pray for others. Please contact Carol Booth if you would like to find out more – 07950263137

Trish will be producing the notices for April email tmcnotices@gmail.com or phone 623678 by 7pm Thursday please.

Our Church website: www.torringtonmethodistchurch.co.uk Circuit website:www.torridgemethodistcircuit.org.uk

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Notices – week beginning Sunday 21st April 2024



Serving God and the people of Torrington

### Worship

# Sunday 21st April

10.30am Mr P Bate

4.30pm Afternoon tea at Bude Methodist Church followed at 6pm with worship led by The President of the Methodist Conference, please see full details over/-

# **Sunday 28th April**

10.30am Mrs V Sheriff

## **Bible Focus**



Psalm 23 Acts 4: 5-12

1 John 3: 16-24

John 10: 11-18

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE LEADING SERVICES THIS WEEK

Mr P Bate—Torrington
Rev R Blackhall—Langtree



Please pray for all those who need our love and care at the moment, for those who have lost loved ones and for those who are sick or lonely. We continue to pray for the situation in Ukraine, Israel and Palestine and also for all those people caught up in war, famine or floods. We especially send our loving thoughts and prayers to Marion, Alicia, Rachel, Jacqui, David & Frank at this sad time.

**i Flowers** : Beryl

Next week: Barbara

;Stewards: Richard, Alicia &

: Morley

**Door Stewards**: Colin & Eve

Tea and Coffee
will be served after
the morning service, by Dot & Pauline,
please come and join us.



If you use a hearing aid, please switch it to the T setting to access our loop system. Song sheets are available for songs not included in our hymnbooks, also large print hymnbooks. Please ask a steward.

**Circuit Book Club**— *'Lydia' A Story'*. On Zoom at 7pm -, 7) Tuesday 30th April

# SUNDAY 21ST APRIL Visit of the President of the Methodist Conference Revd Gill Newton

**BUDE METHODIST CHURCH** 

4.30pm Cream Tea

6pm Worship

PARKING IN BUDE IS NOT EASY. I SUGGEST YOU HEAD FOR THE SUMMERLEAZE CAR PARK WHICH IS A SHORT WALK TO THE CHAPEL

(Rob)

Marion, Alicia and Rachel, Jacqui, David and Frank, would like to thank everyone who have sent cards, messages and prayers on the recent death of Frederick John 'Jack' Ash. His funeral will be held on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 11am at the Rowen Chapel, North Devon Crematorium. This will be followed by refreshments back in Torrington at the 1<sup>st</sup> Torrington Scout HQ on Gas Lane. All are welcome to attend.

**CONCERT** by The Wreckers Coast Choir at Langtree Parish Hall on Saturday 27th April at 7.30pm in aid of Multiple Sclerosis. Admission £7.50 including buffet supper, raffle. Organised by Friends of Thornhillhead Chapel

Welcome to all visitors & newcomers, we hope you feel at home here. If you would like someone to visit you, please speak to one of the stewards who will arrange it.