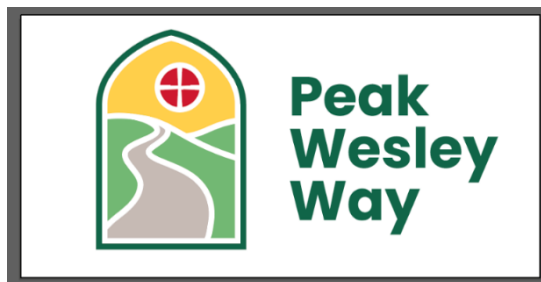


May 2024 Newsletter for the Peak Circuit



OUR FIRST PILGRIMS HAVE WALKED THE PEAK WESLEY WAY!

"What a wonderful stay we've had"

"Very lovely facilities here - all you need, even the candle glowing in the centre of our table as we had our meal!"

"I've loved the prayers in the book and feel at home here"

"Wonderful night's sleep"

"Thank you for fresh milk, biscuits and fruit - lovely touch"

"We've been spreading the word to lots of walkers about the pilgrimage route on our way. God bless you in this leap of faith. We've also enjoyed visiting the chapel at Little Longstone and interesting amusing history. You get a real sense of connecting with communities, albeit briefly, staying in chapels and learning about this area."

"We finished on a real high and thoroughly loved our week. Thank you for such a lovely warm welcome."

These are some of the comments left by our first pilgrim group. They also told us that they really enjoyed the walk and were impressed with the route itself, which they found very enjoyable, taking in the different scenery. They thought the guidebook was wonderful, providing such rich information about the local area, all in one place.

We are delighted that they had such a positive experience and are very grateful to all the support from volunteers and friends of the Peak Wesley Way. We hope it inspires you to book your own pilgrimage.



Please visit our website, www.peakwesleyway.com, for details including our new reduced price for Summer 2024 bookings.

If you care to have a look, there is a blog about the Peak Wesley Way is on the Methodist Church website -

[Exploring Spirituality and Community through Pilgrimage in the Peak District - Methodist Church](#)

**HATHERSAGE METHODIST CHURCH
12 meeting room chairs available**



We have 12 matching green meeting room chairs that are now surplus to requirements, and we are happy to pass these on for free to another church in the Peak Circuit. They are modern, comfortable chairs in good condition. The chairs are without arms and can be stacked in groups of three.

The dimensions of each chair are:

Max height: 84cm

Max width: 53cm (width of seat: 48cm)

Max depth: 55cm (depth of seat: 50cm)

You would need to collect from Hathersage Methodist Church.

Contact Dave on 07876 742638 or dasfisher@hotmail.com

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EDI (Equality, Diversity and Inclusion) Training- Reminder notice

As per previous correspondence, a gentle reminder to sign up for the above training if you haven't already done so if you are a Minister, Local Preacher, Safeguarding Officer, Circuit Steward, Church Steward, Lay Worker, Worship Leader.

The training is open to everyone so please do sign up if you would like to do this important training, even if you do not hold one of the above posts.

The training can be done online using the link below or by attending in person at Hathersage Methodist Church on:

Wednesday 8th May 1.00 - 4.30pm

Can you please let Rev Julie Letts know if you are and when you are taking up this training. If you are attending in person, she needs to send you some handouts to look at before the training date.

[Mandatory EDI Training \(Equality, Diversity and Inclusion\) - Methodist Church](#)

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CALVER METHODIST CHURCH
CAN YOU HELP PLEASE?



Calver are looking for small GoPak tables. Do any chapels have a table that they could spare for Calver, either to give, or loan on a semi-permanent basis?

Reason for asking: Calver are running a Seniors meeting for which smaller tables would be useful. Rather than buy first, any chapels that do have spare small tables and could donate them to Calver would be extremely helpful. Julie Letts sent this out, so presumably if you can help, then please contact Julie to let her know.

Many thanks.

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BAKEWELL AREA ASYLUM SEEKERS AND REFUGEES NETWORK

ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER ON SATURDAY MAY 18TH AT 10.30 AM.

A gift for a refugee – free coffee and cake for you!

This is an open invitation to all who are concerned about the plight of so many asylum seekers and refugees in the UK. The Bakewell Refugees Network will be holding its annual get-together on the morning of **Saturday May 18th** from **10.30am** to about **12.00**. Everyone is warmly invited and if you can also bring a concerned friend or relative we should be delighted.

This year's venue will be held, café-style, in the **Bakewell Friends Meeting House** which is located just behind the Methodist church in Matlock Street, Bakewell. Access is through the Methodist Church car park or more directly via Chapel Walk, the narrow road alongside the Methodist Church. Note that the only parking at the Meeting House will be for those with blue stickers.

A chance to offer a gift to a refugee

You are invited to bring with you, if possible, a small gift which will be included in one of the Welcome boxes offered to new refugee arrivals at the Upbeat Communities charity in Derby.



Upbeat tell us that useful gifts would be toiletries (*especially* men's body spray, shower gel, hand cream, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, ladies' pads, shampoo), stationary (*especially* notebooks), long lasting food items (*especially* instant coffee and teabags), hats, gloves and socks (all new) and playing cards. Other gifts might be a coffee voucher (e.g. Costa or Starbucks), a key ring, a game, a child's small toy, a candle, a decorative bookmark, a useful kitchen item such as a wooden spoon, tin-opener etc.and a gift of money to the Upbeat charity

hello@upbeatcommunities.org, is *always* welcome!

Free coffee and cake for you!

For YOU – a free cup of tea or coffee and a slice of delicious homemade cake!
...also, a chance to *effortlessly* update yourself on the current asylum seeker and refugee situation in the UK.

PLEASE COME at 10.30 am on the 18th May and give us a chance to thank you for the support you give our network, in giving publicity to the needs of asylum seekers and refugees in the UK, in offering Hospitality days to refugees, and in supporting those agencies working with refugees in our part of the world.

FOUNTAIN SQUARE TIDESWELL

A CONTRIBUTION FROM JEAN JACKSON.

Here is a favourite Psalm, looked at with modern Christian eyes.

What Psalm 23 is really all about.

The Lord is my Shepherd - - - THAT'S RELATIONSHIP!

I shall not want - - - THAT'S SUPPLY!

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures - - - THAT'S REST!

He leadeth me beside still waters - - - THAT'S REFRESHMENT!

He restoreth my soul-- -THAT'S HEALING!

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness - - - THAT'S GUIDANCE!

For his names sake - - - THAT'S PURPOSE!

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death - - - THAT'S TESTING!

I will fear no evil - - - THAT'S PROTECTION!

For thou art with me - - - THAT'S FAITHFULNESS!

Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me - - - I' DISCIPLINE!

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies - - -THAT'S HOPE!

Thou anointest my head with oil - - - THAT'S CONSECRATION!

My cup runneth over - - - THAT'S ABUNDANCE!

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life - - - THAT'S BLESSING

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord - - - THAT'S SECURITY!

Forever - - - THAT'S ETERNITY!





Items for the **June Newsletter** need to be with Joan by **28th May** please.

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