

Notes

*The United Reformed Church
Northern Synod*



Prayer Diary 2009

Introduction:

This diary is offered as a framework around which to weave prayer for the Synod during the year.

There are suggestions for prayer for each of the Sundays in 2009 so that they can be included in Sunday worship, but equally they can be used – by individuals or by groups – as a focus for the week.

Bearing in mind that we are in a time of considerable change, Mission Partnerships have each been given their own Sunday, so that prayer can be offered for the area covered, leadership groups etc. Individual church fellowships and their ministers are grouped in approximately geographical areas, and ecumenical leaders are also included.

*Fix upon God anywhere,
and you shall find him in a circle;
He is with you now
when you fix upon him;
He was with you before
for he brought you to this fixation;
and he will be with you hereafter,
for he is yesterday
and today
and the same forever.*

John Donne

8th St. Andrew's, Crook LEP; Rev'd Ann Shepherdson
Waddington Street, Durham; Rev'd Steven Orange

15th St. Andrew's, Blackhill; Christ Church, Stanley; Bethel Chester-le-Street; Rev'd Jan Maxwell; St. George's Hartlepool URC; Rev'd Val Towler

22nd Northgate & Springfield, Darlington; Rev'd Tjarda Murray;
Zion, Northallerton

29th Barnard Castle; Keld; Low Row; Rev'd Julie Martin
Ruth Gee (Chair of Darlington Methodist District)

December

6th Guisborough; Lingdale; Linthorpe Middlesbrough ; St. Andrew's
Nunthorpe & Marton; Redcar; Rev'd Catey Morrison;
Rev'd Meg Robb

13th St. Columba's, Billingham; St. Andrew's Mission, Thornaby;
Stockton-on-Tees; Rev'd Colin Offor

20th All families; new and expected babies
Those who live alone.
*Newcastle and Durham Cathedrals, and their many visitors over the
Christmas season.*

27th As the door closes on one year,
look forward to the opening door of the next
*"Enter, Lord Christ –
we have joy in your coming.
You have given us life;
and we welcome your coming."*

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Celtic Daily Prayer,

23rd Tees and Swale Mission Partnership
Those working in industry and finance

30th Teesside South East Mission Partnership
Terry Draney (Roman Catholic Bishop of Middlesbrough)

September

6th Church of the Good Shepherd, Battle Hill LEP; Rev'd Janet Appleby; St. Mark's, High Howden; Jim Farley; St. Andrew's, Monkseaton

13th St. Columba's, North Shields; St. Cuthbert's Heaton LEP; St. George's High Heaton ; Rev'd Peter Heckels, Rev'd Liz Blair

20th St. Andrew's, Hebburn; St. Margaret's, St. Paul & St. John's South Shields; Rev'd Ann Jackson

27th Assembly Committees; Staff at Church House
Mark Bryant (Anglican Bishop of Jarrow)

October

4th Cromer Avenue, Gateshead; Denewell Avenue, Gateshead ;
Rev'd Gordon Brown

11th Ryton; Winlaton LEP; Rev'd Elaine Brown

18th Stockton Road, Sunderland; Grindon, Sunderland;
Rev'd Peter Jordan; Helen Stephenson

25th Boldon; Roker; St. Bede, Sunderland; Rev'd Andy Coyne
Tom Wright (Bishop of Durham)

November

1st Oxclose Washington LEP

January

4th Synod & Synod Committees/Groups

11th North Northumberland Mission Partnership
Moderator, Rev'd Rowena Francis

18th Mid Northumberland Mission Partnership
Synod Clerk & Ecumenical Officer, Rev'd John Durell

25th South East Northumberland Ecumenical Area
Martin Wharton (Anglican Bishop of Newcastle)

February

1st Berwick; Crookham; Erskine, Belford; St. Cuthbert's, North Sunderland; Chatton
Synod Treasurer, Danny Pigeon

8th Wooler; Rothbury; Thropton; Rev'd David Herbert, Rev'd Tony Ritchie, Rev'd Pamela Ward; Kate Baxter; Maurice Taylor; Graham Ferguson
Development Enabler, Janet Turner

15th St. Cuthbert's Holy Island Project; Revd Barry Hutchinson
Education & Training Officer, Rev'd David Peel

22nd St. James's, Alnwick; Rev'd Joan Grindrod-Helm
Leo Osborn (Chair of Newcastle Methodist District)

March

1st Amble & Warkworth; Rev'd Greg Thompson; St. Andrew's Glanton, Felton & Longframlington; Rev'd Edward Butlin.

8th Trinity Ashington LEP; Rev'd Barry Welsh; Trinity Bedlington LEP; Rev'd John Joughin

15th Christ Church North Broomhill LEP; Rev'd John Pugh;
St. Mark's Newbiggin; Rev'd Carla Hall

22nd Blyth; Rev'd Yvonne Tracey; Seaton Delaval LEP;
Rev'd Malcolm Sellers

29th Our Synod link with the Presbyterian Church of Mozambique
Melvin & Susan Fincham (Salvation Army)

April

5th St. George's, Morpeth; Great Bavington; Widdrington; Rev'd Ron
Forster

12th *Easter Sunday The worship of the Church*

19th Synod Office Staff: Andrew Atkinson, Helen Hogg,
Wendy Watson

26th Those working with children & young people; Pilot companies;
their leaders.
Mark Bonnington & Brian Howell (Independent Free Churches)

May

3rd Bellingham LEP; Falstone & Kielder; Wark LEP;
Rev'd Janet Flawn

10th Ponteland; Stamfordham LEP; St. Aidan's, Hexham & Haltwhistle

17th St. John's, Wideopen; Rev'd Philip Gray; Horsley & John Knox,
West Denton; Rev'd John Paul

24th St. John the Evangelist LEP Kingston Park; Rev'd Roger Mills;
The Roman Catholic Diocese of Hexham & Newcastle

31st *Pentecost The Mission of the Church*

June

7th "8 Churches" Mission Partnership
Retired Ministers & those not in pastoral charge

14th North Tyne Group
Lay preachers

21st Newcastle North/Central Mission Partnership. Elders

28th Newcastle East/Coast Mission Partnership
Paul Richardson (Anglican Assistant Bishop of Newcastle)

July

5th St. Andrew's Benton LEP; Rev'd Peter Rand;
Trinity Gosforth LEP; Rev'd David Bedford; Mary Bellshaw

12th Jesmond; Rev'd Nigel Watson; St. James Newcastle;
St. Andrew's Kenton; Rev'd James Breslin.
Assembly "Energy4Life" weekend

19th Robert Stewart Memorial, Newcastle; Rev'd Stan May; Ann
Honey; West End Newcastle
Ministerial students; those on TLS courses.

26th Chaplains; Nigel Goodfellow; Margaret Johnson; David Whiting
John Claydon (Northern Baptist Association Regional Minister)

August

2nd Gateshead Mission Partnership
Those working in hospitals and hospices

9th Sunderland/South Tyneside Mission Partnership
Those working with the elderly.

16th County Durham Mission Partnership
University students, lecturers and chaplains