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Revd Jack Dunion, broadcasts his own online radio show every Sunday at 9am on Lomond Radio (formerly River Radio):

<https://lomondradio.co.uk/shows/rise-and-shine>

The link below now gives access to backdated Rise & Shine programs:

<https://www.mixcloud.com/RevJack/>

CAM Medallions

Jan Millar writes:

CAM has used up the stock of blue medallions which are presented to Worship Leaders.

Unfortunately these are no longer available to order new ones. If you have a medallion that you no longer use and that you don't want please contact Jan Millar via email at:

jan.millar@generalconference.org.uk

It can either be handed to Jan at Conference or put in the post. Postage costs will be reimbursed.

IT Manager Job

You can find the job advert and job description for the IT Manager job here:

<https://www.generalconference.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/itmanager.pdf>

Zoom at Conference

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This year, we are introducing zoom facility for some of the events of this year's AGM at The Hayes.

The events covered are:

The Spiritual Leader's Keynote Address
The Business Meeting
The Conference Service



If you would like to join the AGM via zoom, please send an email to **muriel.morgan@generalconference.org.uk** and you will be sent a link and a timetable

Please note that people won't be able to enter the Zoom meeting unless they have first registered.

Choice Sessions at Conference

Revd Becky Jarratt writes:

Whilst we are sad and disappointed that not all readers are able to come to Conference this year, we have a request for those who will be in attendance. There are two sets of Choice Sessions on Wednesday afternoon, and it would be very helpful to the group leaders to know numbers in advance.

If you are attending Conference, please can you read the information about the sessions here: <https://www.generalconference.org.uk/agm> and sign up by completing this Google form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeaUDLY5wAqG6dDOH7uZ8jRwXf2SE4KF9A34JiMrQHFpD8c6g/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

Alternatively, you can email your choices to becky.jarratt@generalconference.org.uk

Home Worship Podcasts

Revd Becky Jarratt writes:



The Zoom Worship Providers Team has been thinking of new ways that we can reach out to people and spread the teachings of the New Church. For each of the five Sundays in July, the material for Home Worship has been recorded and is available as a podcast, otherwise known as an audio recording. They will be available to listen to on the Conference website from the Sunday of each week, starting on 2nd July.

To access these recordings, please go to:

<https://www.generalconference.org.uk/resources/home-worship/>

If you would like help in working out how to listen to the recordings, information will also be available on that page.

You can also access them through Apple Podcasts and Spotify, if you are used to using those apps. Search for “Home Worship” and look for the logo you can see here.

These podcasts are also available on the Apocalypse Awakening website with a different introduction - go to <https://apocalypseawakening.org.uk/> and click on the “Podcasts” tab.



The Purley Garden Party

The Garden Party was held on Saturday 17th June 2023. We celebrated the grand-opening of the Summer House dedicated to the memory of the Revd Alison Southcombe and modelled on Emanuel Swedenborg's own Summer House in Sweden. The Revd Jack Dunion led us in prayer in remembrance of Alison and the ribbon was cut by Mrs Margaret Cowie after a speech thanking the Purley staff for all their hard work; Mr Nigel Sutton thanked Mr Chris Woodhouse for his amazing work on the Summer House and presented him with a gift.



Lots of fun and games were had - there were many activities and stalls for all ages.

We raised a grand-total for £2050,64.

Thank you to all who joined us!



A well known face joining the Morris dancers ...

One lucky lady won the raffle, a bicycle!...

Sharing Revelation through Creative Church

Revd Becky Jarratt writes:

As a family, we have started worshipping regularly at Southlands Methodist Church in York. It was by chance that I had a conversation with one of the other parents and discovered that they were due to lead a Creative Church service during Bible month, which was on the book of Revelation. "We don't know anything about Revelation, so we are doing it on angels and creatures!" she said. When I told her that I'd done a fair amount of work on Revelation and was happy to help, she snapped my arm off.

I said that we were looking at Revelation from an alternative theological perspective, and introduced the concept that angels are people who have lived on earth before they died. We watched the first Guiding Angel video (you can see it here: <https://apocalypseawakening.org.uk/videos/>) and then went off into groups to do activities. The options were to create a collage of a seven-headed dragon, a bookmark of the Four Living Creatures, a life-sized picture of the mighty angel described in Revelation 10, or to find items in eight of the twenty of Roland Smith's paintings that were on display.



We sang Revelation-themed hymns, including Brian Kingslake's "Jesus, your providence has brought me to this day". The highlight of the morning was when a man in his 20s came over to me and said, "I LOVE the painting of the Four Horsemen! Where can I buy a print?"

Sharing some of the New Church teachings with people I've only recently met was a little scary, but I was grateful that I had allowed myself to be vulnerable in this way because I think everyone took something new from the experience. How lucky are we to have these teachings to share?

To see more photos, please visit the online gallery:

<https://www.generalconference.org.uk/creative-church-gallery/>

