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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 allows you to catchup Rise & Shine programs:
www.mixcloud.com/RevJack/



Seaburn Dene Poppies

Revd Lynne Griffiths writes:

For the second year Seaburn Dene has reached out into the community to honour and remember the armed forces and their sacrifices around Remembrance Day in November. Plastic bottles were cut and subsequently painted to look like poppies and then grouped into bunches to be displayed on lampposts around the area. We are grateful to the Yorkshire and North East area council for the financial

backing to enable us to buy the paint and cable ties needed.

This year we made the decision to lesson the number of streets we targeted and to instead make each display at least twice the size for maximum impact. 81 lampposts were adorned with poppies. A standalone display of poppies falling from the church window was a beautiful addition and the poppies then led from the church along roads to the newly installed war memorial.

Whilst the community were less involved this year in coming forward to help paint the poppies this outreach project has been successful in once again raising the profile of the church in the area. Several social media postings of photos and videos were made and indeed this was picked up by the significant local group on Facebook who also shared our video and recognised our efforts in the community.

In terms of outreach our posts received the following number of views; -

- announcement of installing poppy display - 870
- first day's installation video - 122
- main video of poppy display - 2,837
- photos of church's cascading poppy display - 198

This form of outreach has been successful, and it was lovely to receive several comments from residents as the poppies were installed thanking us for our work and more importantly our remembrance.

If you wish to view further photos and videos please visit [Seaburn Dene New Church Facebook](#)



Photos from the Festival of Angels

Revd Becky Jarratt writes:

I was lucky enough to attend the Festival of Angels at Kearsley New Jerusalem Church yesterday, Monday 17th November. It was absolutely wonderful to see the hard work of Carolyn Kennion and Margaret Presland had paid off! The displays were awesome. Please find a selection of photos [here](#). No doubt there will be further reports, photos and videos to come at a later date.

One highlight was having a conversation with a mother and her three-year-old daughter, who was enjoying decorating an angel. Carolyn and I sat with the daughter while Mum had a look at the displays. She came over afterwards and said how much she liked the teaching of marriage in heaven. She was of Hindu faith, and we had quite a chat about New Church beliefs. It was wonderful to be able to share! She took a flyer for Circle Dancing, so may be back in the church again soon.

Thanks to everyone who made this festival possible, and to Carolyn and Margaret for the enormous amount of work that has gone into their “new idea.” We look forward to hearing more about how it went very soon!

Online Bible Study

Revd Becky Jarratt is leading the next Online Bible Study session on Tuesday 25th November from 7.30 to 8.45pm. The theme will be Rest. This is something that most of us struggle with, and it will be an opportunity to see where we are guided to do so.

The session will explore how the passages looked at fit in with Swedenborgian teaching and also their relevance in our lives today. There will be scope for questions and discussions in breakout groups.

If you have attended previous sessions led by Becky the link is the same. If you are planning to attend for the first time or cannot find the link that has been used, please contact Jan Millar at jan.millar@generalconference.org.uk and you will be sent the appropriate link.

Jan Millar, CAM co-ordinator



Upcoming Events

22 nd November	Christmas Fayre – Dalton
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23 rd November	Zoom service of worship – Jonathan Millar
25 th November	Online Bible Study - Revd Becky Jarratt
27 th November	Meet The Minister
6 th December	A Candle for Christmas – Seaburn Dene
7 th December	Zoom Advent service of worship – Gwendolen Rowe
12 th December	Christmas Carol Service - Purley Chase
14 th December	Zoom carol service – Revd. Jack Dunion
19 th December	Meet The Minister
22 nd December	Meet The Minister
25 th December	Zoom Christmas Day service – Revd. Becky Jarratt
28 th December	Zoom service ‘towards epiphany’ – Jan Millar

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