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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/

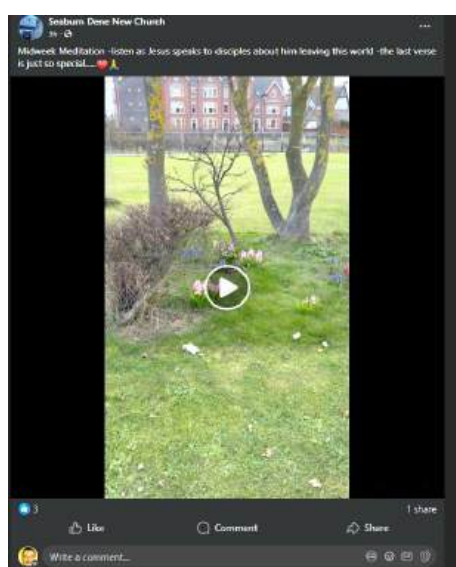


The Signs of Digital Growth at Seaburn Dene

Revd Lynne Griffiths writes:

Spring is nearly upon us fully and it's lovely to see the world blossoming and blooming with new life emerging from the dark winter. Here at Seaburn Dene New Church we are also seeing signs of new growth on our Facebook page with a number of new followers joining us in recent weeks. I'm a big believer that we shouldn't measure our offerings in terms of viewing

numbers or follows but now and again it can be useful to remind us that we are reaching out into our local community and beyond and that something of what we are offering is potentially having an impact. A few weeks ago, one of the Thought Thursday videos took off with over 200 views and had 2 new followers as a result but that week saw a handful of more followers also join the page. Our event adverts for our tea vicar? and litter picking events have also directly brought followers to like our page and as I write this today's Thought Thursday video is already on 111 views and has brought 1 new follower. As ever with anything digital it is swings and roundabouts and people come and people go - "do not be discouraged" is a phrase that often comes to mind when I see numbers go down! As we work to be a more welcoming and inviting church as per our strategic aims it is a blessing that March is showing us signs of new growth in a different way – both in the reveal of spring but also on our digital platform. It won't always be good news on the Seaburn page but for now I'm taking it for as the Lord Himself says "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33)



Update regarding the Manager at the Purley Chase Centre

The Conference Council would like to share an update regarding the management of the Purley Chase Centre.

As we continue the recruitment process for a permanent manager, we want to ensure the Centre remains well-supported and our guests receive the best possible experience. To that end, we are delighted to announce that Anne Gaffney has been appointed as Temporary Manager until 31st August 2026.

This appointment provides stability for our dedicated staff and ensures comfort and relaxation for all our guests over the coming months. We are sure you will join us in welcoming both Anne and David back with open arms as they step in to support Purley Chase during this period.

Volunteer Opportunity: Payroll & Pensions Support

The Conference Council is looking for a dedicated volunteer to assist with our internal payroll and pensions function.

This is a vital "behind-the-scenes" role that helps ensure our staff are supported and our financial processes remain resilient. By having a trained volunteer as a backup, we can ensure business continuity and keep these important tasks managed directly within the Church.

- No previous experience in payroll or finance is required.
- Full training and ongoing support will be provided by our Company Accountant.

If you are interested in learning more about what is involved, or if you would like to offer your support, please contact Paul Mehew at:
company.accountant@generalconference.org.uk.

Upcoming Events

26 th March	<u>Meet The Minister</u>
27-29 th March	<u>Declutter & Discover - Purley Chase</u>
29 th March	<u>Zoom service (Palm Sunday) - Revd Becky Jarratt</u>
3 rd April *11am	<u>Zoom Service (11am Good Friday) – Gwendolen Rowe</u>
5 th April	<u>Zoom Service (Easter Sunday) – Revd Jack Dunion</u>
12 th April	<u>Zoom service of worship – Anne Clarkson</u>
7-10 th April	<u>13-18 Easter Rally - West End Outdoor Centre</u>
24 th April	<u>Meet The Minister</u>
18 th April 10am-4pm	<u>Angels - Discovering the gifts they bring -Wellspring</u>
30 th April	From Clowes to Wilderspin – Online Talk
9 th May 10am-4pm	<u>Sex & Gender Workshop - Wellspring House</u>

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