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*Just a few brief weeks ago the fields were gold with ripened grain.
Now, across the bare brown stubbles, ploughs are moving once again,
Making furrows for new showings, getting ready for the Spring
So that in the days to come, there will be another harvesting.*

We write the above as a matter of course yet, as we write it, there are pictures of dry land, drought, bad soil and no harvest across parts of the world.

Harvest weekend was very enjoyable at church - I understand. The lunch after the Coffee Morning was very nice. Everyone gave generously for the raffle, the proceeds going to Barnsley Hospice.

Our harvest table at church was spilling over with food - you could have a choice for any meal.

Ellie Peet was our Harvest Service preacher and lead us in singing several favourite thanksgiving hymns, as well as receiving the generous donations both in food stuffs and monetary offerings.

How grateful we should all be, how loud our songs of thanksgiving should be.



We trust that those who received our offerings, through the Food Bank, will be just as grateful. Thank you to all who helped in any way.

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Sadly we finished the old year with the death of our Ladies Group President, Denise White. Denise had been our President from when we first started, some 40years ago. Although Denise had been ill for a while, the news of her death was not expected and came as a great shock.



Following her wishes, Denise's funeral was at Buckley and was well attended, with Rev Mick Neal taking the service.

She will be missed and we send our condolences to her husband Allan, her daughters Lisa and Rachel and their families, and we give thanks for the joy she gave to our Ladies Group.

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The Buskers concert proved, yet again, to be a great success. A full schoolroom enjoyed the songster as well as the instrumentalists, who took us back to wartime with lots of special songs. Ken and party did their bit and we finished the evening with tea and biscuits, and a promise that they would come again if we wishedYES PLEASE!

October Calendar

5th	10.00am	Coffee Morning (weekly)
	1.00pm	Church Council Meeting
6th	NO SERVICE AT BUCKLEY	
	10.30am	At Pogmoor
7th	2.00pm	Ladies' Group (weekly)
13th	10.30am	Own Arrangement
20th	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Cameron Stirk
		Communion Service
27th	10.30am	Preacher: George Senior

Flowers given by

6th Jayne & Steve Howe

13th Gladys Milner

20th Pat Goodall

27th Pat Goodall



It was good to welcome Cynthia Howe back to our Coffee Morning for the Harvest weekend. Cynthia, who now lives in Cudworth, was delighted to be back with her Buckley friends. Looking good Cynthia!

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### SHOEBOXES

There has been a great start to the covering of shoeboxes, sorting of contents for this year's Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal.

Each Monday morning, at 10am, a team of people cover shoeboxes with colourful Christmas wrapping paper and prepare sets of items ready to put into shoeboxes - soap and flannels, crayons, pencils, rubbers, etc into pencil cases.

**We are short of A4 plain and lined paper, and colouring pads.** The fun is taking the covered shoebox, adding a label for a girl or boy of a particular age, then choosing all the items to pack inside. All the shoeboxes will be ready for Sunday 3rd November, Shoebox Sunday, when they will be blessed before starting their journey to children in far off countries.

If you want to read more about Operation Christmas Child, please ask Marjorie for the book.

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**Tree Festival: Going To The Movies
Fri 29th Nov – Sun 1st Dec.**



Have you decided to decorate a tree?
Perhaps you could join up with a friend to think of a film then
decide how to represent it on a Christmas tree...it's all very
exciting.

Please let Jayne Howe know the film you have chosen for the printed programme.
If that doesn't appeal, we will be looking for volunteers to help with refreshments, sit
in Church to welcome visitors, or stand behind a stall at the Christmas Fair on Sat
30th Nov. There is something for everyone to do - I'm sure you could help somehow
at sometime.

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**LOOKING AHEAD and talking of Christmas.....**

The Carol Service is on Sunday 15th December  
The Christingle Service is on Sunday 22nd December.

Not long now!!!!

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Open the windows of faith today
And pray that a wind will blow your way
To scatter all thoughts of doubt and fear
And bring you a message of hope and cheer.

Marjorie (Mrs Mick) would like to say a big Thank You for the many cards, prayers
and good wishes received. The hospital visit was very sudden, but I am home now
and getting on well. You will have heard I am an impatient patient but sadly now I
have to learn a lesson. It was good to be able to join everyone at Chapel for the
Harvest Service. Thank you everyone.