

# June 2019 Newsletter



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## Hull Unitarian Church

Chamberlain House, Park Street, Hull, HU2 8TA

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### Meet the Proposed Interim Minister

Your committee, on the advice of the UK Unitarian's Congregational and Ministry advisor are proposing that Revd John Carter be invited to take up a part-time interim ministry for 12 months. It is for the members of the congregation to vote on this recommendation at the AGM on June 23. Comments from members and friends are welcome.

Revd John Carter will be visiting Hull Unitarians from **Thursday June 6 to Sunday June 9**. He will attend the meditation, the coffee morning, and deliver worship on Sunday. Please make every effort to attend on at least one of these occasions, to get to know John, and to then contribute to the decision of the church members on the appointment.

### Unitarian Sunday Services in June at 11.00 am

Date	Worship Leader	Topic	Music
9	John Carter	A Splendid Hallelujah	Graziana Presicce
16	Ralph Catts	Self Help	Recorded music
23	Cathie Masztalerz		Graziana Presicce
30	Ralph Catts	Service of thanks	Recorded Music

There are four opportunities to experience the diversity of Unitarian worship in June. First you can meet Revd John Carter, the person who you are asked to consider for the ministry of Hull Unitarians. You can also meet Cathie Mastalerz, the external trustee of your church committee. On the other two Sundays, Ralph will be reflecting on how we are responsible for our well-being, and in his last service Ralph will lead as our Minister, he will be giving thanks for all who have shared his ministry.

### June 30, 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm A celebration of Ralph's Ministry

Please come and enjoy our celebration of all that our church has achieved in the past 4 ½ yrs. We hope to have a few surprises in store as part of the celebration. Please **RSVP by June 23 for catering**.

### Summer Outing - Withernsea Lighthouse Museum, 19<sup>th</sup> July

Our Summer outing will be to Withernsea Lighthouse Museum, a historic lighthouse in our neighbouring seaside town, incorporating the RNLi Museum and Kay Kendall Museum. We will leave from the church at 11.30 am after our regular coffee morning. Lunch will be provided and can be eaten in the lighthouse's spacious garden; it will also be possible to walk into Withernsea for an ice cream. We expect to be back in Hull by about 4.00 pm. The full cost including entrance fees, transport and lunch will be £15, but for those who regularly attend our church events on Thursdays, Fridays or Sundays, the cost will be £6, or pay what you can afford, as we will subsidise the costs from our relief of needs funds. **Please RSVP in writing** or by email and make your payment by 10<sup>th</sup> July, so that we can confirm our booking and finalise arrangements.

### Charity Coffee Mornings. Fridays, 10.30 to Noon

Our coffee mornings are an opportunity for enjoyable refreshments and good fellowship. Funds raised will be used for the relief of need in our community and to help to subsidise our next outing.

## Mindfulness at Park Street

Every Thursday we gather from 2.00 pm for meditation from 2.30 pm to 3.20 pm followed by discussion and refreshments. Please see the forms of meditation offered this month.

Date	Leader	Topic
6 <sup>th</sup>	Molly Belle	
13 <sup>th</sup>	James Bell	
20 <sup>th</sup>	Ralph Catts	Visualisation
27 <sup>th</sup>	Ralph Catts	Sound meditation

## Becoming our Volunteer Librarian

We have about forty books available for members and friends, and we invite you to become the librarian for Hull Unitarians. You can be responsible for recommending new books to the church committee for purchase. In addition, you will be asked to organise the books by whatever system you decide. We need to list our books on our web site. You will also check that books are signed for when borrowed and when returned. Our administrator, Daniel Dearlove, can follow up if anyone fails to return a book. Please speak with Daniel, who is available Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 10.30 am to 4 pm, if you would like to help your church community in this way. We would like to appoint someone to this role at our AGM on June 23.

Each year we have added to our collection and we are now making these books available for members and friends to borrow. A full list of publications is on our web site and displayed on the church notice board. We work on an honour system and ask that books be returned within a month so others can share. Two of the new additions to our stock of books are reviewed in the summer issue of our church magazine.

## Gardening Guru - an invitation

In the past 3 months we have made progress in restoring the chalice garden at the rear of the church. Martin King has supplied some herbs, and James, Molly and others have weeded and trimmed. We need a volunteer to take the lead in further improvements and maintenance. We do not know who to ask, so please step up and take the lead!

## Reflecting on when you meet for meditation

In May, Ralph surveyed 39 people who have attended meditation at least once in the past 12 months and in one week he received 23 replies. He has summarised the results and submitted them to James Bell, chair of the Ministry Advisory Committee. We expect a report from the Advisory Committee to be available before the AGM on June 23.

## Dates for Your Diary

**June 6 to 9** Meet Revd John Carter (see above for dates and times)

**June 22** Yorkshire Unitarian Union Summer gathering. Visit Pepper Hill in West Yorkshire, with its art deco stained glass chapel. Join Chris Carr on this adventure leaving Hull at 9 am.

**June 23 after the service.** Our Annual Meeting and vote on calling the proposed new Minister.

**June 30, 2.30 – 4.30 pm** Farewell Celebration for Ralph and Sue Catts

**July 19** Withernsea Lighthouse trip

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