

OLD MEETING HOUSE COSELEY

July to September 2008

**Summer has come
Bumble bees hum**

*Blue is the sky
Birds flying high.*

**Buttercups gay
Carpet the way**

*Let's give a cheer;
Summer is here*

Sarah Gibbings

SERVICES

July 6th Janice Ashley
Anniversary Service
Please bring a flower

20th Mr. Philip Niblock

August 3rd **NO SERVICE**

17TH Gavin Lloyd

September 7th Sue Woolley

21st Ann Hughes

Many years ago Philip Spencer (late of West Bromwich) wrote
A church is made of people, not bricks. It is wherever those people are, at any given time; at work or at home, or gathered together in public witness of their faith.

ADVANCE NOTICES

Birmingham District Women's League Autumn Meeting will be on Saturday 6th September at Unitarian New Meeting. Further information from Ann Hughes

Sunday 5th October – will be Harvest

NEWS

The boundary along Whitehouse Street has been cleared again at a cost of £100

Lawson Hunt who regularly attends the graveyard and keeps it accessible for all, has also been remunerated for his work.

The years of all of us are short, our lives precarious;
our days and nights go hurrying on,
and there is scarcely time to do the little that we might,
Yet we find time for bitterness, for petty treason and evasion.
What can we do to stretch our hearts enough to lose their littleness?
Here we are - all of us upon this planet - bound together in a common destiny;
living our lives between the briefness of the daylight and the dark.
Kindred in this - each lighted by the same precarious, flickering flame of life -
how does it happen that we are not kindred in all things else?
How strange and foolish are these walls of separation that divide us!
(A. Powell Davies)

A PRAYER FOR SUMMER

O thou from whom cometh all the gladness and brightness of life; we praise thee for the riches of thy bounty which thou pourest out in the days of summer. Thou fillest the heavens with radiance, and causest the earth to rejoice in the abundance of thy gifts. Thou preparest the coming harvest; and thou makest our hearts glad with the wonder of thy creation. For all the greatness and glory of Nature we bless thee, and we would join with grateful hearts in the song of praise which all the earth raises to thee. Amen

(Unitarian Orders of Worship)

