

OLD MEETING HOUSE COSELEY

July to September 2011

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)

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| July | 3rd | Gavin Lloyd |
| | 17th | Rev. Peter Hewis |
| August | 7th | Sandy Ellis |
| | 21st | NO SERVICE |
| September | 4th | Gavin Lloyd |
| | 18th | HARVEST |

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)

Congregational News

We were very sorry to learn, early in May, of the death of Kevin's Father. Our condolences were sent to Kevin, Helen and the family.

Ann and Ken's son and daughter-in-law had a baby girl, Ruby, on 22nd May weighing in at 7lb 130z – a sister for 3 year old Arthur.

Ann and Ken will be away on 18th September, celebrating their First Wedding Anniversary,

The new reading lectern, given to us by the Lawson who looks after the graveyard will be dedicated by Peter Hewis on 17th July.

Divine spirit of life and love,
Help us to overcome our fears about people
who are different from us

