**Lindisfarne Methodist Parish**

**Pink Sheet – April 2023**

Hello, the following are points from your Parish council meeting held on Tuesday, 28th March 2023:

* The twelve months presbyter/parish’s review will take place on Thursday, 13th April. As soon as we have more details on the process and times, etc. we will inform people.
* The 3 current South Island Synods are to combine into one from the 1st February 2024. The new superintendent, Rev Dale Peach, for this combined Synod will be inducted in January next year.
* Invercargill churches are celebrating a season of events called “Soaking the City in Prayer”. This commenced with a service at the Workingmen’s Club last Sunday evening, 2nd April. Our parish will be leading worship in this season later. Further information will come to hand when available.
* Parish Council have made two funding applications to grant funds operated by the Methodist Connexion. We have applied for funding to repair the brickwork on some of the Centre’s external walls and we have also applied for funds from the Green Fund to install solar power into our Centre, reducing the cost and use of electricity. This work will not be carried out at this time if we do not receive full funding for this project.
* Recently a Games Evening was held and enjoyed by those attending. Next time, we will hold a Games Afternoon. This may encourage more people to come along and enjoy fun playing various games.
* Making soup will take place on the 27th April. This soup will be available for parishioners and older folk.
* Our annual fund-raising project of making and selling cheese rolls is underway with orders currently being taken and these will be made on the mornings of the 4th and 6th May.
* The Knitting group meet weekly and are busy making baby clothes. They welcome new knitters to their group.
* Planning is underway to hold a mid-winter dinner with a quiz evening to be held on another night.
* Our church has some packets of masks and RAT tests to give away. These will be out in the foyer so please take one or more packets. The RAT tests expire in July.
* Please respect each other’s space when they sit in silence before, during and after our Services.
* The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, 30th May 2023.