

150th ANNIVERSARY

A Poem by Anne Munday

So,

Many years ago.

A Soldier drummer in the Lincolnshire Regiment

And already a Methodist local Preacher

Had the vision and the call

To gather a small company of like-minded believers.

At first rooms were rented

Then a chapel built in Brook St.

As years passed the congregation outgrew its premises.

Money was raised and the present chapel was opened in May 1872.

Many changes and alterations have taken place since

And here we are in the year 2021,

*Still witnessing to and seeking to share the love of God as seen in Jesus
Christ.*

To the right as one enters the sanctuary

There is a stained glass window

Depicting Christ knocking on a closed door with no outside latch.

For 150 years many hearts have been opened to Him

Hearts that perhaps were once closed

To all that He had to offer.

This church began with the drumbeat

Of a heartbeat, longing

To call all to follow Christ.

Echoed is the persistent and insistent call of Christ

To open hearts, and lives

To the persistent and insistent

Loving heart of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

May those answering His call

*Continue to bear witness and to open the hearts of all
who enter this sacred place*

*And so experience the saving grace of our Lord
and Saviour Jesus Christ*

Amen

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