

St Andrew

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Magazine of the English speaking church in Gothenburg

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Letter from the Chaplain

Deanery Doings

The first Synod of the Nordic and Baltic Deanery I attended was held in Denmark in 2015, the weekend after my first service at St Andrew's. It was also Mark Oakley's first Synod as Archdeacon. We were bussed out to a conference centre in the countryside, and back to St Alban's for the closing service. There was a presentation about stewardship ("Contributing to your chaplaincy"), by the same person who spoke on the same subject at this year's Diocesan Synod, and an argument about a proposed youth web site, which never did get off the ground, though both diocesan and parish web sites have changed a lot since then.

This year it was once again Copenhagen's turn to act as host. The Lay Chair of Synod, Nigel Rowley, and the Secretary, Graeme Lloyd-Roberts, are both members of the Chaplaincy, as is our Archdeacon, Jonathan LLOYD. Treasurer René Abrahams and I had travelled from Sweden in the February snow to plan a meeting with rather different venues: a friendly, if somewhat noisy, hostel for accommodation, and a nearby Conference Centre in a former home for elderly women where the pastor, hymn writer and educator N F S Grundtvig served as chaplain for the last 33 years of his life.

Synod duly assembled at the end of August, clashing with our Harvest festival in Gothenburg. We had two bishops with us: Peter Skov-Jakobsen, Bishop of Copenhagen and the nearest Denmark has to an Archbishop, and our own Bishop Geoffrey, who will be retiring some time next year, looking back on his time as a bishop and giving us some hints on how his successor would be chosen. It seems to be more important, to his way of thinking, that the Pope should be consulted,



than the people in the pews.

One of our guest speakers was local: Canon Ulla Monberg, the Diocesan Director of Training, who lives in Copenhagen and is a member of our Synod, gave a presentation on Training and Vocation, followed by a lively discussion from some of the Readers and trainee Readers present who had attended the first-ever Diocesan Readers Conference in Köln in June and were hungry for more of the same.

Our other speaker was Madeleine Holmes, Diocesan Environmental Officer. She got us talking in groups about what we could do (as individuals, families, churches, or in the workplace) to reduce our carbon footprint and tread more lightly on the earth. One of my group worked as a chef, and was critical of the way his boss would order another batch

of food to be cooked, late in the lunch hour, just in case a crowd of customers appeared at the last minute. I suggested that anyone who left the following lunch buffet with food on their plates should pay a fine; the matter did not arise, for everyone cleared their plates however much food they had taken.

Because of the Grundtvig link, we sang one of his hymns in his chapel:

*Built on the rock the church doth stand
Even when steeples are falling.*

It proved difficult to find an organist. The one who turned up at the last minute had another engagement shortly after, so we had to sing the hymn at the beginning of the service rather than the end, but with his help and that of our Lutheran members and observers, we let it rip.

A cloud fell over our meeting when we learned of the death of Verna Veritie, a newly ordained deacon serving in Athens – as if that chaplaincy was not suffering enough with the financial crisis in Greece. Several of us had met Verna during her selection and training or at the Readers Conference.

We finished, as usual, with Eucharist at the church of the chaplaincy hosting Synod. St Alban's Copenhagen is celebrating its 125th anniversary. During the service, Bishop Geoffrey presented a long-standing member of the St Alban's choir with a purse of Maundy money, and licensed Pamela Henderson of the Stockholm chaplaincy as a Reader. Afterwards we had a splendid lunch with international flavours in the churchyard.

St Alban's certainly did us proud. Cecilia, Molly and I would like to thank Nigel for showing us the sights and tastes of the town – excellent food in three different restaurants– and the congregation of St Alban's for generously giving us tickets for the Tivoli Gardens.

The Synod meeting may just be a long

weekend, but we keep in touch in other ways. I tried to set up a Nordic and Baltic Anglicans blog (nabamyblog.wordpress.com) with some of the photos from the planning meeting and further news about synod as it became available, but only succeeding in attracting one follower. However, after the meeting, Pauleen Bang created a Facebook group, with photos from synod and links to some of the places where synod members have been mentioned on Bishop David's blog: Juris Calitis and his team completing a new translation of the bible into Latvian; Jonathan LLOYD leading a training day for churchwardens in Hamburg; Ulla Monberg with other delegates to the Anglican Consultative Council meeting in New Zealand; and my own Collation as a Canon which took place at the Diocesan Vocations Conference in Woking. (Someone asked if I was going to be stapled as well!).

As Area Dean I do a bit of travelling around, visiting Stavanger and Tallinn to conduct Ministerial Development Reviews (giving clergy a chance to reflect on their life and work), and about to make my second visit this year to Finland. The first was a meeting of representatives from several of the Anglican worship centres, to look at future patterns of working; the second is for the happy occasion of the installation of Tuomas Mäkipää as Chaplain in Helsinki. Tuomas was a newly ordained deacon (looking impossibly young) when I first met him, at the previous Copenhagen synod with which I began this article. With several chaplains in the Deanery likely to retire in the next five years, Tuomas's appointment is a sign of hope for the future.

Barbara Moss

<p style="text-align: center;">Christmas Carols</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nine Lessons and Carols 16 and 19 December, 18.00</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Carols round the crib: 21 December, 16.00</p> <p>Hakarp, Jönköping: 9 December 18.00 Bäve Church, Uddevalla: Monday 17 December 18.00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Midweek Mass</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A short simple service with bible reading and songs in English and Swedish, adjourning afterwards to a local café, on the following Wednesdays at 19.30:</p> <p>23/1 (Week of Prayer for Christian Unity) 13/2 (Ash Wednesday): 27/2; 13/3</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Shrove Tuesday Pancakes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 12 February, 19.00-21.00 at the Chaplain's Flat, Norra Liden 15.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please let Barbara know if you are coming.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Lent Groups</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Alan Taylor will be arranging a weekday evening group based on one of the York courses, as in recent years.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meditative Sunday services at 18.00 in church, details later.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Concerts</p> <p>Friday lunchtime concerts at 12.15:</p> <p>November 30: David Magda (organ)</p> <p>December 7: December Music with Kristin Ladström - voice Joakim Spogardh - vibraphone Joel Malmborg - bass</p> <p>Further concerts: see web site.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pilgrimage Walks</p> <p style="text-align: center;">usually on Saturdays. See web site for further details,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1 December - an island in winter. Meet at Saltholmen, 12.20.</p> <p>19 January - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: Delsjö området. Meet Trätorget at 14.00. Followed by tea and cake at Jennifer Andersson's flat.</p> <p>22 January - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 17:00 at St Andrew's then walk to the Pilgrim Centre in Masthugget.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">23 February - to be announced.</p>



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Services: December – February

Unless otherwise stated, there is a service of Parish Communion at 11.00 on Sundays, and any other details refer to this service. On certain Sundays, we hope to provide children's activities in Haga Församlingshem during part of the service. Please contact Cristian Stoian (cristianstoian@yahoo.com, tel. 0720-083892) if you are interested - or see web site for dates and further information.

DECEMBER 2, First Sunday in Advent

10.00 Holy Communion

11.00 Family Service

DECEMBER 9, Second Sunday in Advent

Peace and Justice Sunday

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Alan Taylor

Prayers: Gillian Thylander

DECEMBER 16, Third Sunday in Advent

Preacher: Anna Torbrand

LA: Gisela Barnard

Prayers: Ann Gustafsson

18.00 Nine Lessons and Carols

DECEMBER 19, Wednesday

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DECEMBER 21, Friday

16.00 Carols round the Crib

DECEMBER 23, Fourth Sunday in Advent

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Alan Taylor

Prayers: Gisela Barnard

DECEMBER 25, Christmas Day

LA: Alan Taylor, Ann Gustafsson

DECEMBER 30, Sunday after Christmas

LA: Gisela Barnard, Alan Taylor

Prayers: Ron Jones

JANUARY 6, Epiphany, Family Communion

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Jeanette Munro

Prayers: To be arranged

JANUARY 13, Epiphany 2, Baptism of Jesus

LA: Alan Taylor, Ann Gustafsson

Prayers: Cecilia Klevedal

JANUARY 20, Epiphany 3,

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Gisela Barnard

Prayers: Gillian Thylander

JANUARY 27, Epiphany 4

Holocaust Memorial Day

LA: Gisela Barnard, Alan Taylor

Prayers: Opeoluwa Adebayo-Omolade

FEBRUARY 3, Candlemas

10.00 Holy Communion

11.00 Family Service with Baptism

FEBRUARY 10, Sunday before Lent

Celebrant: Anna Torbrand

Preacher: Alan Taylor

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Alan Taylor

Prayers: Heather Wray

FEBRUARY 17, Lent 1

LA: Alan Taylor, Gisela Barnard

Prayers: Barbara Moss

FEBRUARY 24, Lent 2

LA: Gisela Barnard, Ann Gustafsson

Prayers: Alan Taylor

MARCH 3, Lent 3

LA: Ann Gustafsson, Alan Taylor

Prayers: Amy Delmendo-Bock

MARCH 10, Lent 4, Mothering Sunday

10.00 Holy Communion

11.00 Family Service

Harvest Festival with Irene Ungelheim



Pilgrimage Walk in Gunnebo



Installation of Barbara as Canon



From Bishop David's Blogspot

We took advantage of the Revd Barbara Moss being present at the Diocesan Vocations Seminar last week to have her formally collated as a Canon of the Cathedral Chapter of the Diocese. This took place at the opening eucharist, at which Bishop Geoffrey presided, in the chapel of St Columba's Conference Centre in Woking. Canon Moss, the chaplain of St Andrew's Gothenburg, Sweden, will later be seated in the stall of Edith Cavell in the Pro-Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, Brussels. She will be the first occupant of this new stall.

Edith Cavell was a nurse serving in Belgium during World War I, and was a member of Holy Trinity, Brussels. She was shot by a German firing squad on 12 October 1915 following her arrest and court-martial for helping some 200 Allied soldiers escape from the German occupation. On the night before her execution, the chaplain of Holy Trinity, the Revd Stirling Gahan,

gave her Holy Communion. She told Fr Gahan that night, "Patriotism is not enough, I must have no hatred or bitterness towards anyone".

In addition to her parochial work in Gothenburg (and her close collaboration with Swedish Church colleagues in University Chaplaincy), Canon Moss is Area Dean of the Nordic & Baltic Deanery and an Assistant Director of Ordinands. She is also an active member of the Communications Committee of the diocese. Most people in the diocese benefit directly from Barbara's work as she is the one who compiles and edits the Diocesan Prayer Diary which enables each church and community in the diocese to be remembered in prayer once a year. Barbara also incorporates into the Prayer Diary the World Council of Churches prayer cycle as well as the cycles of the Anglican Communion and of the Porvoo Communion of Churches, making this a comprehensive resource for our intercessions.

St Andrew's Day Lunch at the Haga Church Rooms



The choir preparing to sing the anthem "Christ is our Cornerstone" at the morning service



The LEG ladies serving all their wonderful dishes



Noriko Shinjo playing for the guests while they enjoy their meal

AFTER A BEAUTIFUL SERVICE IN CHURCH we celebrated our patron saint St Andrew with a special lunch, the theme this year being "A trip around the world." About 70 -odd people sampled exciting and tasty dishes provided by the Ladies Evening Group from many different nationalities. During the meal we had the pleasure of listening to Noriko



Ann Gustafsson, who was in charge of the event, found time to sit with her friend Harriet

playing the piano beautifully.

The Christmas table provided us with cakes, marmalade, small gifts and our annual raffle of a Ginger Bread House made by Eva. The atmosphere was jolly, relaxed and most successful, as everyone agreed. After a long day we went home tired but happy.

Ann Gustafsson



Everyone seemed to think that this was a very enjoyable occasion

The role of singing in Church – How important is it?

A few days ago I talked to the Ladies Guild about music in church and played a selection of the hymns, songs and chants that can be heard at St. Andrew's these days. When I was gathering the material together, I realised that I have seen many changes since I first entered the doors of St. Andrew's as a young married woman in 1960.

Fifty years ago, the church service was rather more formal, with the British Consul and his family sitting in the front pew on the left and various other pews "belonging" to other families. We followed the Morning and Evening Prayer routine, with a Sung Eucharist maybe once a month. At Morning Service, you might remember (but do you miss?) the Venite, the Jubilate or Benedictus and the Te Deum (called "The Tedious" by one choir member as it was so long and we had to sing it to three different chants). In the nineties, our organist Peter made things easier for the choir by suggesting that we had the same tunes for the canticles rather than different ones each Sunday.

We sang the psalms as well, of course. Since we got our new liturgical order, the Common Praise hymnbook and psalter, however, the psalms have all but disappeared. For a while we tried saying them instead of singing them, with the congregation and priest reading alternate verses. I think this was actually better as it gave us a chance to think about the content!

The chants from the Taizé community, which figured particularly in our international service at the German church, started in 1991, were often more inspiring I think, and the choir still likes to sing them during communion. An alternative to the Taizé chants has been the simple but lovely songs from the Iona Community. The choir had the opportu-

nity to meet John Bell at a weekend seminar held at Oskar Fredrik's church back in 2002, and we still sing "Send out thy light" and "This is the body of Christ" occasionally. I would personally like to have more from Iona, as the congregation is expected to take a much more active part in the singing.

One thing John Bell said has stuck in my mind! He recommended that the congregation be allowed to greet each other on arrival at church before settling down to worship. We have followed that advice to a certain extent.

As for the hymns, we continue to sing at least four every Sunday but we tend to stick to the old favourites. Common Praise, published in 2001, has 628 hymns and quite a number of more modern ones. The choir has made a good effort to learn some of these, so in addition to such hymns as "Dear Lord and Father of mankind", and "Love Divine, all loves excelling", "Guide me, O thou Great Redeemer" and "All things bright and beautiful", we quite often sing "O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder", "Great is thy faithfulness" and the beautiful "I, the Lord of Sea and Sky". At family services, we use the Songs for St. Andrew's, compiled by the Reverend Michael Cocks and the children's songs that the reverend John Askey bequeathed us, such as "If I were a butterfly"!

I trust that the congregation not only enjoys singing all these things themselves, but also listening to the choir's rather impressive repertoire of seasonal anthems. Just now the choir is very busy preparing for the carol services in December, and I take this opportunity to say how much I appreciate all their different contributions and their loyal support. On Friday evenings some come straight from work, have a long tram ride home afterwards but remain cheerful and friendly. Thank you!

Gillian Thylander

The Merry Organ

Those of us who had the good fortune to attend our good friend Richard Townend's recital on October 28th were treated to a musical tour of England, Germany, Austria, Holland, Italy and Sweden and were impressed by the fantastic range of sound our small but amazingly versatile Marcussen organ can produce. From a full voluntary by John Stanley (1713-1786), whom Mendelssohn made a point of going to listen to when he was in London, and chorale preludes by Bach, we went on to the highest and gayest sounds on the flutes figuring in Haydn's and Mozart's pieces for musical clocks. And we all clapped after Richard, accompanied by his wife Janet on a triangle bought from the local toy shop, played the sonata by Vincenzo Bellini (1801-1835)! Brahms followed, of course, as ours is a Romantic organ, and we ended up in this

century with a sequence of more modern tunes, including one by Hilding Carlsson, especially written for Richard.

Stig Thylander and Herwin Tröje have produced a cd of this recital as well as of the concert given by on June 9th by the brilliant young Hungarian organist Dávid Magda. They are on sale on Fridays and Sundays and they would make nice Christmas gifts. We need to raise something towards the essential upkeep of the organ.

N.B. Dávid Magda is not only going to play at a lunchtime concert on Friday November 30th but is planning a series of recitals next year.

Gillian Thylander



Walking for Unity

One of the jobs I do for the Diocese is compiling the Prayer Diary, which is sent out to all chaplaincies with subjects for prayer for each day. Most of these are prayers for particular chaplaincies or events within the diocese, but I also include occasions when the whole church is asked to pray together.

One example is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, the eight days up to and including the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul (January 25, better known to some of our readers as Burns Night). Founded in 1908, the Week is now organized by the World Council of Churches, and each year one country is asked to provide material for worship, prayer and meditation.

This year, it is the turn of the Student Christian Movement of India, celebrating their 50th anniversary. Their title is: "What does God require of us but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8), and the themes for daily prayer are all about walking:

- walking in conversation
- walking with the broken body of Christ
- walking towards freedom
- walking as children of the earth,
- walking as the friends of Jesus,
- walking beyond barriers,
- walking in solidarity, and
- walking in celebration.

Here in Gothenburg, we have a new Pilgrim Centre, and many churches, including St Andrew's, arrange their own pilgrim walks. So what better way of celebrating the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, than to walk together, in small groups, using the material from the World Council of Churches? Walking in January is not only possible, but delightful, as shown in the attached photo of the St Andrew's pilgrims walking on the water (frozen) of the lake Stora Delsjön.

As part of the week's prayer:

- Walking in conversation; we shall be visiting Delsjön again on Saturday 19 January, for an afternoon walk beginning at Trätorget bus stop at 14:00.
- Walking as children of the earth: at our Sunday service on 20 January, we shall use prayers on selected themes from the week.
- Walking as the friends of Jesus: on Tuesday 22 January, we have a joint City Pilgrimage with members of Göteborgs Pilgrimscentrum, beginning with prayers at St Andrew's at 17:00 and ending at the Pilgrim Centre in Masthugget.
- Walking towards freedom: on Wednesday 23 January, our Swedish / English Midweek Mass at 19:30 will use the Swedish translation of the prayers and bible readings.
- Walking in celebration: may be reflected at Choir Practice on Friday 25 January.
- Walking with the broken body of Christ: although Sunday 27 January is not part of the Week of Prayer, it is Holocaust Memorial Day, when we remember victims of genocide.

The worship resources for the week can be downloaded from the World Council of Churches web site, www.oikoumene.org, (or from www.skr.org if you want them in Swedish).

Barbara Moss



Bishop's Letter to Women Clergy

Diocese in Europe The Church of England

21 November 2012

To the women clergy of the Diocese in Europe
Dear Sisters

As a result of the vote in the General Synod yesterday, there is deep sadness and disappointment felt by so many in our Church, and bewilderment in the world we are called to serve. For both of us, yesterday's pattern of voting raises questions about the processes of the General Synod in considering this kind of legislation. We know from the results of the diocesan synods across the Church, including our own, that the Church of England does want women bishops. The size of the majority which voted in favour of the legislation at the General Synod yesterday confirmed this. However, as we know, the hurdle to attain 2/3 of the votes in each house of the Synod is a high one, and rightly so, when we need to decide on important matters which touch upon the unity of the Church. In the house of laity there were 6 votes short of this requirement.

We have to remember that what was defeated yesterday was a particular and quite complex piece of legislation. A great deal of work has gone into this and much of that will not be wasted when, in due course, a new Measure comes before the Synod to enable the consecration of women to the episcopate and to make proper provision for those with theological reservations about this.

In the face of the widely shared disappointment resulting from the Synod vote, we both want personally to affirm and uphold the valued place that women priests and deacons have in this diocese. As an international part of the Church of England, very much the Anglican Communion in miniature, we in the Diocese in

Europe are already aware of the blessings that women in all three sacred orders of ministry bring to Churches of the Anglican Communion in the Americas, the Pacific and Africa. Moreover, we observe very closely the fruitfulness of the ministry of women bishops in our sister Churches of the Porvoo Communion in Iceland, Finland, Norway, Denmark and Sweden, even while some other partner Churches do not accept this development.

Let us pray earnestly for a healing of our strains and divisions and that God will help us to find a way through these difficulties, with wisdom and with generosity towards each other.

May God also grant us strength to continue to witness with integrity to the Gospel of love, justice and reconciliation.

Your brothers in Christ
Bishop Geoffrey and Bishop David



Baptisms

September 30th
OLUWASEYI (SEYI) OSHO
born 20 January 2012





If Hammarskjöld was murdered – who did it?

One of the most interesting seminars at the 2012 Bookfair had the title **If Hammarskjöld was murdered – who did it?** The participants were Lord Lea from England, former Archbishop KG Hammar, Mats Svegfors, former Director of Swedish Radio and Hans Christian Simonsen, with the moderator Marika Griesel.

Dag Hammarskjöld, the second Secretary General of the United Nations, died in a plane crash on 17th September 1961, on a mission to try to bring peace to the Congo. This crash took place near Ndola, a town in Zambia (then Northern Rhodesia), which was ruled by Britain. Lord Lea pointed out that “This was a time of great conflict between the ruling white minority in Rhodesia and the African majority. Conscious of Hammarskjöld’s great support in their struggle for freedom, a group of Africans were waiting to receive him. But tragically he never arrived. The plane plunged into thick forest relatively near Ndola.

Susan Williams, a British scholar, who has published books and articles about Africa, decolonisation and the global power shifts, argues that the official inquiry by the Rhodesian government was “a massive cover-up that suppressed and dismissed a mass of crucial evidence pointing to foul-play.” She claimed that that the Rhodesian commission of inquiry ignored inconvenient reports from local African observers, fabricated evidence and produced a report which is highly questionable, particularly in view of recent material from a variety of sources.”

The speakers discussed the enormous problems faced in 1960-61 in the Congo and the split off of Katanga under the nominal rule of Moise Tshombe in July 1960. Susan Williams points out that “*Katanga contained more than 60% of Congo’s entire natural resources and was a major*

source of the world’s minerals: copper, uranium, tin, manganese, diamonds and more than 80% of the cobalt that fed Western industry” and many countries were interested in retaining access to as much as possible of these resources. There was a very uneasy atmosphere with soldiers of fortune from different countries. The secession of Katanga from the Congo was disastrous for the Congo, which could not hope to survive commercially without the wealth of the minerals and resources in Katanga. In this desperate situation Lumumba asked the United Nations for help and troops wearing their blue berets arrived in Congo in mid July 1960. A period of great unrest and fighting followed in 1960-61. In September 1961, Dag Hammarskjöld flew from New York to Leopoldville in the Congo to try to use his personal diplomacy to try to resolve the rapidly worsening situation. Tired after a long transatlantic flight, he decided to fly to Ndola to meet Tshombe on Sunday 17th September. But he never made it to Ndola. Hammarskjöld’s plane - the *Albertina* - crashed before midnight on an approach to the Ndola airport. It took more than 15 hours to find the plane. Evidence given by local Africans was largely ignored, and the only survivor – Harold Julien - died in hospital a few days later. On 26th October 1961, the UN General Assembly decided unanimously to hold its own official investigation into the crash of the *Albertina*.

Now, some 50 years later, Susan Williams has obtained access to and patiently examined archives and documents that were unavailable after Hammarskjöld’s death. She has found discrepancies and revealed that no use was made of reports by local people.

In the debate, Hans Christian said perceptively “*Too many people were happy when Hammarskjöld died.*” He anticipated his death – should he compromise and save his life? Dag

Hammarskjöld followed the UN Charter as an independent agent for peace, with honour and dignity, not giving into threatening human powers, but he was challenging powerful enemies. In the last 5-10 years new material has become available, 3 African witnesses, who were not previously listened to, have now told about their evidence. Reports on smaller planes following the *Albertina* have been described.

Mats Svegfors, former managing director of the Swedish Radio, wrote a book about Dag Hammarskjöld published in 2005, which is partly based on Hammarskjöld's posthumously published book *Vägmärken* translated by W.H.Auden and Leif Sjöberg as *Markings*. A year before Hammarskjöld took up his post as Director General of the United Nations he wrote "*I ask for the impossible: that there should be a meaning in life*" and this was echoed in a speech to UN personal a week before his death "*and thankfully admit – that one's work has a meaning.*" Hammarskjöld's life and work were based on ethical principles, as is well illustrated in his own book. Mats Svegfors supported the establishment of a Commission to examine the new evidence.

KG Hammar was also strongly in support of establishing a Commission, which could

evaluate the new evidence. This points to someone being at the site of the crash before Hammarskjöld was officially "found." There had been time for people to rearrange the evidence. There were many groups who felt they would benefit by Hammarskjöld's death – he challenged many different groups of people. KG Hammar announced that 100,000 kronor had been donated by Henning Mankel towards the establishment of a Commission of Enquiry. KG Hammar closed by reading from Hammarskjöld's book *Vägmärken – Markings – 6th July 1961*:

Trött	Tired
och ensam.	and lonely,
Trött	So tired
så sinnet värker.	The heart aches.
Nedför hällerna	Meltwater trickles
silar smältvattnet	Down the rocks
Fingrarna är stumma,	The fingers are numb,
Knäna skälver.	The knees tremble.
Det är nu,	It is now,
nu, du inte får släppa.	Now, that you must
	not fail

The audience responded by a long period of applause. It is time to try to clear up the uncertainties.

Nancy Fjällbrant





Book Fair at St Andrew's

St Andrew's Book Fair event on Thursday 27th September was a presentation by David Lea (Lord Lea of Crondall) about some of the questions raised by Susan Williams's book **Who killed Hammarskjöld? The UN, the Cold War and White Supremacy in Africa.**

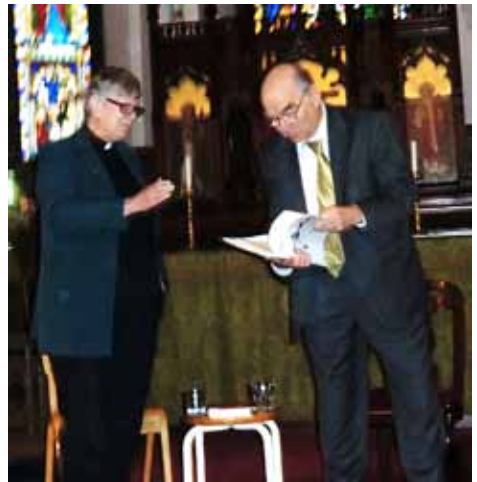
Dag Hammarskjöld, the second Secretary General of the United Nations, died in a plane crash on 17th September 1961, on a mission to try to bring peace to the Congo. This crash took place near Ndola, a town in Zambia (then Northern Rhodesia), which was ruled by Britain. Lord Lea pointed out that "This was a time of great conflict between the ruling white minority in Rhodesia and the African majority. Conscious of Hammarskjöld's great support in their struggle for freedom, a group of Africans were waiting to receive him. But tragically he never arrived." The plane plunged into thick forest relatively near Ndola.

Susan Williams, a British scholar, who has published books and articles about Africa, decolonisation and the global power shifts, argues that the official inquiry by the Rhodesian government was "a massive cover-up that suppressed and dismissed a mass of crucial evidence pointing to foul-play." Susan Williams has obtained access to material stored in archives such as the Bodleian Archives at Oxford and found new material previously unavailable. Her book on *Who Killed Hammarskjöld?* is a serious and well researched account which is highly readable and difficult to put down! Copies of the book were available for purchase after the presentation.

As a result of this new material, Lord Lea has set up the **Hammarskjöld Inquiry Trust**, which includes the former Arch-

bishop of Sweden – KG Hammar, former Secretary-General Chief Emeka Anyaoku, Hans Kristian Simensen, Henning Melber, a director of the Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation, Uppsala, Sweden, Naison Ngomain, Zambia and Susan Williams. The trust aims to set up a high level **Commission of Enquiry** in which jurists inquire into the cause of the death of Dag Hammarskjöld in order to determine whether there is a case for reopening the UN Inquiry of 1961-62.

Nancy Fjällbrant



Barbara with David Lea



Dag Hammarskjöld

Remembering your Spirit

I feel so blessed to be able to attend a Yoga class with such a special teacher, during one of the sessions, lying on a mat with her singing beautifully to us; a song that went straight to ones core. I left the class on a cloud. It was a well known Swedish song by Carola. I've taken just a few words from the song "You do know that you are valuable" and made them my own:

There will always be people telling you what you should or should not do.

But our Father accepts you just the way you are.

Believe that you fit into the greater creation.

*There is a duty just for you,
but you are always free to do what you will with it, to say yes or no.*

*You do know that you are valuable,
that you are important here and now.*

You are loved for your own sake.

There is nobody else like you.

Ann Gustafsson

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