

WELCOME TO
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The firstfruits of hope
(Rom 8:19-25)

**TO HOPE AND ACT
WITH CREATION**
SEASON OF CREATION 2024

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THIS WEEK

Our services are at 10.30am unless otherwise notified.
Sun Club for young people meets on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays.

Sunday 1 September

Rev Michael Faulkner
Café Church
Season of Creation

Monday 2 September

**PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO ROOM 1 CAFÉ TODAY -
CORNERSTONE RE-OPENS TOMORROW!**

Table Tennis at 10am

Tuesday 3 September

Prayer Time 9.30am (Room 1)
Cornerstone re-opens 9.30am

Wednesday 4 September

Wednesday Group 2pm

Sunday 8 September

Rev Cameron Stirk
Holy Communion
Sun Club

NEW PLAN : SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024

Copies of the new Plan are available at Church.

SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation runs from 1 September to 4 October each year. It is global and ecumenical and is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation. Across the Circuit, we'll be celebrating creation in our Sunday services on 1 September. Further information is available at <https://seasonofcreation.org/about/>

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE

The total sum raised through the donations for Sunday coffee over the last year was £1,112. This has been forwarded to our three charities – Ilkley Food Bank, Otley Food Bank and CAP (Christians Against Poverty). Many thanks to all who have donated and to all who give of their time on Sunday mornings.

David Brown

There is a new rota for September to November. Please sign the rota on the notice board if you are able to help. If you would like to help and need more information, please speak to Jalna.

LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC

Michael's monthly lunchtime organ recitals will resume as follows on the 2nd Friday of the month from 1pm to 1.30pm (free entry):

Friday 11 October

Friday 8 November

Friday 13 December

EXAMINATION CONGRATULATIONS

We are delighted that so many of our young people who have been through Sun Club, sung with Vivace or who attend Friday Club or Friday live have done so well in their recent examinations. This is a testament not only to their hard work but also the support of family, teachers and schools.

CHURCH GARDEN

Despite the very mixed weather we have had this summer, Steve & Julie have continued to work hard to keep the church garden area looking colourful, neat and tidy. They have even had to time introduce pots of herbs.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT

Fairtrade Fortnight runs from 9 to 22 September 2024. This year, join us in urging everyone to **Be the Change**, by picking up Fairtrade products and speaking up for fairer trade.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Our Harvest service will take place on Sunday 29 September. Donations of tinned & dried produce, toiletries & personal hygiene products would be welcomed which will go to St Vincent's Centre in Leeds.

Although reluctant to mention the 'C' word, our Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday 23 November from 10am to 12 noon. Please put the date in your diary.

DISTRICT SYNOD AT GUISELEY

The Circuit are hosting the District Synod at Guiseley this year on Saturday 14 September from 10am to 4pm. 6 volunteers are needed from about 9am to 10am to help guide attendees from the Guiseley car park to the church and to direct people once in the church to the various rooms.

We would also like each church to bake 2-3 cakes (gluten free options welcome) and we will arrange for these to be collected on Friday 13 September. **If you are able to help with either of these requests please speak to Sue White.**

WEDNESDAY GROUP

The monthly Wednesday Group meetings will resume on 4 September at 2pm.

FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The group will start again on 13 September at 2pm with a new syllabus. Contact Maureen Hobson for further information (01943 873573)

FRIDAY CLUB & FRIDAY LIVE

Both groups will next meet on Friday 27 September. Friday Club from 6pm to 7.30pm (for 7 to 13 years olds) and Friday Live from 7.30pm to 9pm (for 13 to 17 year olds).

CONNECT GROUPS

The Monday Group at 7.30pm and the Tuesday Group at 2.30pm will resume in September. Both groups meet in Cornerstone (further information from Jo).

FOREST CHURCH

The next Forest Church is on Saturday 14 September at 3pm at the White House, Otley Chevin. Puy the date in your diary now - and tell families and friends about this interactive, outdoor expression of faith.

BREATHE

The next Breathe session will be on Wednesday 18 September at 7.30pm in Cornerstone Café

RAMBLE & RUMINATIONS

On Saturday 21 September, join Rev Shannon on a countryside ramble, during which we will have the chance to reflect and pray, time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation. *See poster on noticeboard.*

CORNERSTONE

Cornerstone will re-open on Tuesday 3 September at 9.30am.

The normal opening hours remain unchanged:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday

9.30am to 1.30pm

CLOSED WEDNESDAY & SUNDAY

If you are on email and do not receive our weekly Church Family News but would like to, please email:

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and we will add you to the circulation list or speak to Jalna

Items for inclusion in the Church weekly notices and email should be given to Jalna (07814 518778) or emailed to: menstonmethodist@btconnect.com

by Thursday morning.