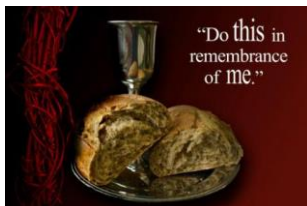


## **WELCOME TO MENSTON METHODIST CHURCH**

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### **THIS WEEK**

**Our services are at 10.30am unless otherwise notified.**

**Sun Club meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month during term time.**

#### **Sunday 11 January**

Covenant Service with Holy Communion

Rev Cameron Stirk

We welcome our friends from St John's

Sun Club

#### **Monday 12 January**

Table Tennis 10am

#### **Tuesday 13 January**

Prayer Time 9.30am (Room 1)

Connect 2pm

#### **Wednesday 14 January**

Breathe 7.30pm

#### **Thursday 15 January**

Vivace 6.15pm

#### **Friday 16 January**

Friday Friendship Group 2pm

Schools Out 3pm

#### **Sunday 18 January**

Rev Jo Glenwright from St John's

Service in the main hall

## **PREACHING PLAN DECEMBER TO FEBRUARY**

Copies of the latest preaching plan are available in the church foyer.

### **CARD PAYMENTS IN CHURCH**

You can now make your weekly giving contribution in Church on a Sunday morning using a debit or credit card, rather than cash. There will be a card machine in the foyer or hall which you tap with your card or enter your PIN. This is currently set up to receive payments of £5, £10, £15 and £20 or you can enter the amount you wish to pay. If you have any questions about this, please speak to Ken Brown.

### **WEDDING GIFT CONTRIBUTION FOR JO & MARK**

If you would like to contribute to a Wedding Gift for Jo & Mark, cash contributions can now be made on a Sunday morning up until Sunday 25 January – in the box provided in the foyer or hall, or give to Ken Brown in an envelope. Jo & Mark have requested 'no presents' so we will be giving them a voucher. Alternatively, you may wish to give an online contribution to one of their chosen charities – Charity: Water or St George's Crypt Leeds. A card will be sent on behalf of the Church family, but please feel free to send one yourself.

### **PASTORAL**

We send our love, thoughts and prayers to Joyce Pitts who is in the LGI following a stroke, and Elizabeth Loy who is now at the rehabilitation hub in Yeadon following her fall before Christmas.

### **FIRE EVACUATION PRACTICE**

It is a legal requirement that we hold a fire drill at least once a year. If this happens during a service, the congregation must leave the premises immediately as directed by the stewards (leaving all belongings behind) and gather either in the garden area (if exiting through the front doors or Cornerstone), or the car park if exiting through the rear or side doors.

### **LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC**

The monthly organ music recitals will take place at 1pm on:

**Friday 13 February**

**Friday 13 March**

**Friday 10 April**

### **EASTER FAYRE**

Our Easter Fayre will take place on **Saturday 21 March** from 10am to 12 noon. Please put the date in your diary.

## **BREATHE**

Our next Breathe is this coming **Wednesday 14 January** at 7.30pm in Cornerstone. A time to relax, refresh and be inspired through beautiful music, contemporary conversations and testimony and film.

This is a great space to invite non-Christians or seekers to. No pressure – a safe space to explore and ask questions. Our theme this month is: Conflict – in the world and closer to home.

We gather from about 7.15pm for refreshments with the evening finishing around 9pm.

Do come along with friends. We are a welcoming and inclusive community and are a good first place to invite people to in order to explore faith and the big questions of life.

For further details contact Cameron Stirk on: [thestirks@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:thestirks@tiscali.co.uk)

## **WARM CLOTHING DAY AT GUISELEY METHODIST CHURCH**

On **Saturday 17 January** from 10am to 12 noon donations of any warm clothing, blankets, etc, will be gratefully received at Guiseley Methodist Church in support of Emmaus. Tea and coffee will be available.

## **SOULFUL WALKING**

Led by Rev Shannon on **Sunday 18 January** from 2.30pm to 5.30pm.

Meet at Hen Pen Garden on Main Street, Addingham.

Join us for a gently-paced 3 to 5 kilometre walk, pausing now and then to reflect on what awakens our souls and how we can connect our faith or spirituality through our experiences in nature?

*See poster on noticeboard*

## **HAPPY ARE THOSE**

Happiness, Wellbeing and the Life of Faith on the Psalms.

Rev Dr Isabelle Hamley

**Date: 24 January 2026**

**Venue:** St Mark's Church, Leeds Road, Harrogate

**Time:** 10am to 12noon (breakfast served from 9.30am)

## **TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP**

This informal group meets on a Tuesday morning at 9.30am in Room 1 to pray for people, events and situations locally and worldwide, which are of concern.

## **CONNECT GROUPS**

**Monday 19 January** at 7pm (Note earlier time)

**Tuesday 13 January** at 2.30pm (Cornerstone)

## **MEMORY CAFÉ**

Memory Café for those with memory loss, together with a family member, carer or friend, are welcome to the Memory Café in Cornerstone on **Wednesday 4 February 2026** from 10am to 12 noon. Refreshments, activities and support available. Drop in any time during the morning.

## **VIVACE**

Vivace Youth Choir (aged 8+) meets in the church at 6.15pm during term time.

## **FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP**

Whilst the weather is cold, Friday Friendship Group will meet fortnightly at 2pm in Cornerstone. The next meeting is on **Friday 16 January**. There will be a selection of games including Beetle and Scrabble plus tea and biscuits.  
£2 donation per meeting.

Future dates:

Friday 30 January, Friday 13 February, Friday 27 February, Friday 13 March.

## **WEDNESDAY GROUP**

The group meets on the first Wednesday of the month and will next meet on **Wednesday 4 February 2026**. All ladies welcome. £2 per meeting.

## **SUN CLUB**

Sun Club for young people usually meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month during term time.

## **FRIDAY CLUB**

The next Friday Club for 7 to 13 year olds will be on **Friday 30 January** from 6pm to 7.30pm. This will be a games evening in Cornerstone. Please bring your favourite board or card game.

## **FRIDAY LIVE**

The next Friday Live for 13 to 17 year olds will be on **Friday 30 January** from 7.30pm to 9pm

## **SATURDAY CORNERSTONE**

Due to a shortage of volunteers able to work over lunchtime, Cornerstone will now close at 12noon on Saturdays (last orders 11.45am). The breakfast menu only will be served.

## **CORNERSTONE OPENING HOURS**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30am to 1.30pm  
Saturday 9.30am to 12 noon  
(Closed Wednesday & Sunday)