

WELCOME TO MENSTON METHODIST CHURCH

Loving God and loving our neighbours

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THIS WEEK

Our services are at 10.30am unless otherwise notified.

Sun Club meets on the 2nd, 4th & 5th 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 existing 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

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 2nd, 4th & 5th 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)