

**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 for young people meets on 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays.**

Sunday 13 October

Roland Henney
Sun Club

2.30pm Harvest Service at Norwood
(see below for details)

Monday 14 October

Table Tennis at 10am

Tuesday 15 October

Prayer Time 9.30am (Room 1)
Connect at 2.30pm

Friday 18 October

Friday Club depart for Marrick Priory weekend

Sunday 20 October

Rev Cameron Stirk
Holy Communion in the main hall

HARVEST AT NORWOOD

Norwood Methodist Chapel in the Washburn Valley - a very special place to worship - will be celebrating Harvest on Sunday 13 October @ 2.30pm.

Please do join them for this Service of Thanksgiving led by Rev Cameron. Donations of dried and tinned goods for the Otley Foodbank will be collected on the day.

Tea, home-made cakes and fellowship after the service. All welcome.

VIVACE

Many thanks to all who supported or helped in any way to make the Vivace Concert held on 5 October such a success. This was the first full concert given by the choir. Proceeds from the concert totalled £443.24 which will go to the Children's Charity BLISS.

COMPASSION

Rose is a darling little girl in Tanzania whose education we support through Compassion UK. She will be 13 at Christmas and gratefully appreciates the support we give her. However, since Covid the financial contributions people have given towards her education have dwindled. If you still wish to give or would like to be a new supporter, please forward either a cash donation, a cheque made payable to Menston Methodist Church to Margaret Stansfield or David Brown, or made an online payment to Church. This can be a one-off or a regular donation.

PASTORAL

We send our prayers and best wishes to Elizabeth Loy who is currently at a Recovery Hub in Yeadon. It is hoped she will return home soon.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Our Christmas Fayer will take place on Saturday 23 November from 10am to 12 noon. If you can spare some time that morning and would like to help - please speak to Jalna. Please look out any new unwanted gifts or household products, good condition jigsaws and recent paperback books. Contributions for the cake stall can be brought on the morning.

CIRCUIT STAFFING UPDATE

Please pick up a copy of the Circuit Staffing Update in the foyer which gives the latest information about Circuit staffing

LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC

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

Friday 8 November

Friday 13 December

CONNECT

Monday at 7.30pm – tbc

Tuesday 15 October at 2,30pm

Both groups meet in Cornerstone

WEDNESDAY GROUP

The Wednesday Group for ladies meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 2pm as follows (£2 per meeting):

Wednesday 6 November

Wednesday 4 December.

FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The Friday Friendship group meets fortnightly at 2pm in the main hall. £2 contribution at each meeting, includes refreshments.

Friday 25 October – Do you know what you are saying! (Ian Howe)

Friday 8 November – The Good Life

Friday 22 November – The Cappella Fellas

Contact Maureen Hobson for further information (01943 873573)

BREATHE

The next Breathe is on Wednesday 23 October at 7.30pm in Cornerstone. If you know someone who is asking questions about life, do bring them along to our growing community. Suitable for younger adults too with a rich blend of music, questions, testimony, film clips and wonderful refreshments. Last time we looked at the tricky question of Loneliness. This time we shall be exploring the topic of Anxiety.

FRIDAY CLUB

The Friday Clubbers are off the Marrick Priory, near Richmond next Friday for a weekend of outdoor activities, friendship and fun. Please remember our young people in your prayers.

CIRCUIT RETREAT

Thursday 14 November

On Thursday 14 November Rev Cameron & Lucy Stirk and Rev Shannon DeLaureal will be hosting another Circuit Retreat at Norwood Methodist Church from 10am to 4pm. It is open to anyone and will be a time of space, quietness, creativity, fellowship and worship. The theme of the day is: 'Shaped by God's hands'. There will be some input, but also plenty of time for people to walk, reflect, ponder and be creative. Please bring a packed lunch - we shall provide the drinks, soup and cake! If you can car share that would be wonderful. Suggested minimum donation of £10 for the day for the Christian Aid Gaza Appeal. To book a place (only 19 places available) speak to Cameron on: thestirks@tiscali.co.uk or 01943 463258 or 07981 072277.

EVERYONE AN EVANGELIST?

Following on from the recent Methodist Synod, Rev David Goodall and Rev Cameron Stirk are offering a course on Evangelism - how to be better equipped. Open to anyone it will be very participatory and it is free!

Why not come on your own or as a church group?

Where: Guiseley Methodist Church

What time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm

When: Thursdays 7, 14, 21 & 28th November and 5, 12 & 19 December.

To book contact Cameron Stirk on: thestirks@tiscali.co.uk or 01943 463258 or 07981 072277

CORNERSTONE

Opening hours:

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.