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 during term time.

Sunday 22 December NO MORNING SERVICE AT MENSTON 4pm Carol Service

Followed by refreshments in the main hall

Monday 23 December

Table Tennis at 10am
Christingle Making 2.30pm

Tuesday 24 December

Prayer Time 9.30am (Room 1)
Christingle 4pm
(Collection in aid of Action for Children)

Wednesday 25 December

Christmas Day Service of Celebration at 10.30am Roland Henney (Collection in aid of Action for Children)

Sunday 29 December NO SERVICE AS MENSTON

United Service at Burley at 10.45am
Viv Pitts

Sunday 5 January

Rev Cameron Stirk
Covenant Service & Holy Communion
We will be joined by our friends from St John's

MULTI-SITE CHURCHES PROPOSAL

At the last Circuit Meeting it was agreed to forward a proposal to form two multi-site churches (plus Christchurch LEP) to the local Church Councils for them to decide either to opt in to one of them or to remain as a Church with their own managing trustees. As part of this proposal, we also agreed to develop a roadshow presentation to enable as many people as possible – both managing trustees and church members – to find out more about the proposals before the Church Councils meet to vote on them.

In order not to rush the presentations, to enable the gathering of as much information as possible to inform the presentations and to avoid impacting upon our celebrations for Advent and Christmas, we have decided to move the presentations back to the New Year.

· Presentations will take place on the following dates:

Tuesday 7 January 2025 at 7.30pm at Christchurch, Ilkley
Thursday 9 January 2025 at 10.30am at Burley Methodist Church
Monday 13 January 2025 at 7.30pm via zoom
Tuesday 14 January 2025 at 10.30am at Yeadon Methodist Church
All Church Councils will meet between the 20 January and the 14 February,
where votes will be taken on the proposals.

Please can I encourage you to hold this process in your prayers as we seek the wisdom and guidance of God for the future life and mission of the Circuit.

Rev Tim

PATORAL

We are sad to report the death of Philip Newall. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this sad time.

CONNECT

Monday 13 January 2025 at 7.30pm Tuesday 7 January 2025 at 2pm Both groups with Rev Cameron

WEDNESDAY GROUP

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

Wednesday 8 January 2025

FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP

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

Friday 3 January 2025

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.

The group will meet on Tuesday 24 December.

SCOUT & GUIDE HUT FUND RAISING

Over the last 7 weeks you have generously given £51.98 towards the Scout Hut Appeal. The overall total to date is £109,000 – so there is still a long way to go. Thank you for your continuing support.

CORNERSTONE CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS

We are grateful to the Cornerstone volunteers who have offered to keep the Café open over the Christmas period.

Christmas Eve	10am to 12 noon'
Christmas Day	CLOSED
Boxing Day	CLOSED
Friday 27 December	10am to 12 noon'

Saturday 28 December CLOSED

Monday 30 December 10am to 12 noon*

Monday 30 December 10am to 12 noon* New Year's Eve 10am to 12 noon*

New Year's Day CLOSED
*Drinks & Toasted Teacakes only

Do join us and tell others about our Christingle Service on Christmas Eve at 4pm. Come along and make your own Christingle (children) followed by a true celebration led by Rev Cameron. Help us to grow this service by inviting families you know to come along. It will be filled with joy and hope – and there will be something for all ages. Do come along.



A very HAPPY CHRISTMAS to you and those whom you love and may God bless you through 2025.

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: mennstonmethodist@btconnect.com
by Thursday morning.