

ELCOME 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 money during term time.

Sunday 23 November

Rev Alistair Newton

Holy Communion

Sun Club

Monday 24 November

Table Tennis at 10am

Tuesday 25 November

Prayer Time 9.30am (Room 1)

Connect 2.30pm

Wednesday 26 November

Funeral Service for Dennis Stubbs 12 noon

321 Course 7.30pm

Thursday 27 November

Vivace Youth Choir 6.15pm

Friday 28 November

Friday Friendship Group 2pm

Schools Out 3pm

Friday Club 6pm

(Marrick Priory SlideShow 7.15pm)

Friday Live 7.30pm

Saturday 29 November

Christmas Coffee Morning at Hawksworth 10.30am

Sunday 30 November

UNITED SERVICE AT GUISELEY at 10.30am

Followed by The Great Advent Kick Off at 11.30am (see insert for details)

NO SERVICE AT MENSTON

3pm Service of Dedication & Transition at Otley Methodist Church

**COPIES OF THE NEW PREACHING PLAN DECEMBER TO FEBRUARY ARE
AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER**

CHURCH CHRISTMAS CARDS

Church Christmas cards are now available. Do take one for yourself, others for people you know attached to our congregation, and others for neighbours, friends and family. The only way we can grow our congregation is by being invitational. Play your part this Christmas and invite someone along to one of our services using our Church Christmas card. Many thanks!

TOY SERVICE

Our Toy Service will take place on **Sunday 7 December**. We are collecting new toys, games & craft items for Bradford Refugee action. They would also welcome gifts of toiletries for adults. Donations can be left in the box in Cornerstone if you are unable to come on 7 December.

ST GEORGE'S CRYPT, LEEDS

Jubilee Action Yorkshire (JOY) is no longer in operation so monetary donations this year will go to St George's Crypt, Leeds to help the homeless. Cash donations should be put in a marked envelope and placed in the Sunday morning collection plate up until **Sunday 14 December**, or left in the office.

PASTORAL

The funeral service for Dennis Stubbs will take place at Church on Wednesday 26 November at 12 noon,

The funeral service for Mary Greaves will take place at Church on Thursday 4 December at 10.15am, followed by the Committal at Ilkley Cemetery at 11.30am, and a reception at The Craiglands Hotel. Donations to Wheatfields.

Edith Daly: Her daughter, Claire Griffin, has asked us to let you know that her mother has now been diagnosed with cancer and has been moved to receive hospice care. Anyone wishing to contact the family can call Claire on 07976 754473. Please include Edith, Claire, and her father in your prayers at this very difficult time for them.

CHOIR REHEARSALS FOR THE CAROL SERVICE

Will choir member and helpers please note that there will be two rehearsals for the Carol Service: **Wednesday 3 December and Wednesday 10 December at 7.30pm.** Please let Eleanor know if you are unable to attend on either of these dates. The Carol Service is on Sunday 14 December at 4pm.

HALL PROJECTOR UPDATE

The total amount raised for the projector is £2,832.50, not including Gift Aid from eligible donations. Gift Aid, which is only claimed around June of each year, will add another £305.60, giving a grand total of £3,138.10.

We do thank you for responding so well to our request. Those at Church last Sunday will have seen that the projector is up and running, with a larger and brighter picture. Some additional work is still required to ensure a better sound quality. Any surplus funds will be used for future upgrades to our audio/visual equipment.

LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC

Michael's final lunchtime organ music recital this year will take place at 1pm on **Friday 12 December** with a seasonal programme. Free entry.

HAWKSWORTH COFFEE MORNING

Hawsworth Methodist Church is hosting a Seasonal Coffee Morning on **Saturday 29 November** from 10.30am. Do come along and support one of the smaller Churches in our Circuit. All welcome.

SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING & TRANSITION AT OTLEY METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday 30 November at 3pm at Otley Methodist Church. As Otley lets go of the ownership of its building and moves on in its ministry and life. This is a Circuit Service with Rev Dr Martyn Atkins preaching.

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.

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 3 December** from 10am to 12 noon. Refreshments, activities and support available. Drop in any time during the morning.

CHRISTMAS CRACKER COFFEE MORNING
ADDINGHAM METHODIST CHURCH
SATURDAY 6 DECEMBER 10AM TO 11.30AM

Addingham will be collecting foodstuffs for the Salvation Army during the morning of the Christmas Cracker event. The Salvation Army are desperate for "every-day" foodstuffs rather than Christmas treats.

Please do come along and support this event, enjoy the refreshments, socialise with your friends and enjoy a spot of Carol singing. Let's make it a great Christmas Cracker Coffee Morning. *See poster on noticeboard.*

CONNECT GROUPS

Monday 8 December at 7.30pm (Room 1)

Tuesday 25 November at 2.30pm (Cornerstone)

VIVACE

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

FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Next meets on **Friday 28 November** at 2pm in the main hall (£2 donation).

Andre Rieu and his Orchestra will provide the entertainment.

WEDNESDAY GROUP

Wednesday 3 December at 2pm in Cornerstone. The group meets on the first Wednesday of the month. 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

Friday Club next meets on **Friday 28 November** at 6pm to 7.30pm.

All 7 to 13 year olds are welcome.

The Marrick Priory SlideShow will be at 7.15pm. All welcome to come and see what we got up to at Marrick this year.

FRIDAY LIVE

Friday Live (13 to 17 years) will get together on **Friday 28 November** from 7.30pm to 9pm.

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.