

## **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 will resume in September.**

#### **Sunday 24 August**

Joan Bosomworth

#### **Monday 25 August**

Table Tennis at 10am

Bank Holiday Refreshments at Norwood 12noon to 4pm

#### **Tuesday 26 August**

Prayer Time 9.30am (Room 1)

#### **Sunday 31 August**

**10.45am** United Service at Burley led by Rev Shannon DeLaureal.

#### **NO SERVICE AT MENSTON**

**6pm (note revised time)** Welcome Service for Rev Annie Baker-Streevey & Rev Wendy Walker at Yeadon. The service will be led by Rev Tim Perkins & Rev Kerry Tankard.

#### **Sunday 7 September**

Rev Cameron Stirk

Café Church & Holy Communion

**7pm** Ecumenical Service at Bradford Cathedral for the launch of The Methodist Modern Art Collection (*see poster on noticeboard*)

## **NEW PREACHING PLAN : SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2025**

Copies are available in the foyer

### **SCHOOLS OUT @ CORNERSTONE**

An exciting new addition is coming to Cornerstone. Starting on Friday 12 September, Cornerstone will be open on Friday afternoons from 3pm to 4.30pm as an after-school space for kids together with parents/carers to wind down at the end of the week and catch up. There will be snacks and Shmoo milkshakes on offer. This is in term-time only.

### **SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE**

There is a new rota for September, October and November on the noticeboard. Please sign up if you are able to help.

### **NORWOOD BANK HOLIDAY REFRESHMENTS**

Bramhope Methodist Church will be serving afternoon teas and home baking at Norwood on Monday 25 August from 12 noon to 4 pm. All welcome.

### **LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC RECITALS**

Michael's monthly recitals will resume on Friday 10 October from 1pm to 1.30pm. Free entry with retiring collection. These will also be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month in November, December, February, March & April.

### **ALPHA CHALLENGE!**

The use of Cornerstone for Alpha and Breathe has become an important tool in drawing non-church going people to explore the Christian faith. Jo will be running a new Alpha course starting in January 2026 and we have been challenged to spread the word and tell everyone we know about it. The most unlikely people often say 'yes' and sign up. So remember to drop it into your conversations with friends and neighbours - you never know who might just be waiting for that nudge!

### **WEDNESDAY GROUP**

The Wednesday Group will resume on Wednesday 3 September at 2pm in Cornerstone. The group meets on the first Wednesday of the month. All ladies welcome. £2 per meeting.

### **FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP**

Will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the month at 2pm in the main hall for social afternoons - music, videos, games, quizzes, etc, in discussion with members - starting on Friday 12 September. £2 per meeting.

## **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.

## **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

### **MISSIONAL WELLBEING PIONEER (NPNP OTLEY)**

Closing date 1 September 2025. *(See insert).*

## **KATHERINE HODSON PRAYER MEETING UPDATE**

### **MONDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 7pm ON ZOOM**

Katherine Hodson (daughter of members at Otley, Keith & Christine Hodson) is serving overseas with a Christian charity as part of her commitment to God. She is hosting an update for her work through a prayer meeting on Monday 8 September at 7pm. If anyone wants the Zoom link to join in this time of news sharing and prayer, please contact Cameron on [thestirks@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:thestirks@tiscali.co.uk)

## **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 September 2025 from 10am to 12 noon. Refreshments, activities and support available. Drop in any time during the morning.

## **FOREST CHURCH**

We are meeting at 3pm on Saturday 13 September at the White House on Otley Chevin (access for cars off Birdcage Walk, then Johnny Lane and up the drive where there is car parking available). The track is narrow and unmarked, but people are allowed to drive up and when you get to the opened green gate (on right) keep going up the track even though it says 'No authorised access'. Forest Church is an outdoors expression of worship, community, exploration and learning. It's suitable particularly for families and there is always an element of discovery in the natural world. Do dress for the weather. We sing, pray, play games, find things, make things and have delicious refreshments! It's all free. Our theme this session is 'Wow! What an amazing world!' Do come along or signpost those families you know locally to come along and share in the fun. For more information contact Cameron on: 01943 463258 or 07981 072277 or [thestirks@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:thestirks@tiscali.co.uk)

## **CONNECT**

The next CONNECT groups are:

Monday 22 September at 7.30pm (Room 1)

Tuesday 9 September at 2.30pm (Cornerstone)

**THE METHODIST MODERN ART COLLECTION  
ECUMENICAL SERVICE AT BRADFORD CATHEDRAL**

**SUNDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 6pm**

**Exhibition dates:** Sunday 14 September to 12 October

**Opening Times:** Woodhouse Grove School: Tuesdays 6pm to 9pm / Saturdays  
1pm to 6pm Sundays 1pm to 5pm

Ben Rhydding Church: Fridays 11am to 3pm / Saturdays 10am to 4pm /  
Sundays 2pm to 4pm (*see poster on noticeboard*)

**JUMBLE SALE**

The NSPCC is holding a Jumble Sale at Kirklands on Saturday 13 September at 2pm. Jumble can be dropped off at Kirklands from 11.30am or contact Jane Hughes to arrange collection (01943 875999).

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

Our Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 22 November from 10a to 12 noon.  
Please put the date in your diary.

**SUN CLUB**

Sun Club for young people will resume in September.

**VIVACE**

Vivace Youth Choir (aged 7+) meets in the church at 6.15pm during term time.

**FRIDAY CLUB**

Friday Club will be back on Friday 26 September at 6pm to 7.30pm.

All 7 to 13 year olds are welcome.

**FRIDAY LIVE**

Friday Live (13 to 17 years) will also be back on Friday 26 September 7.30pm to 9pm.

**We congratulate our young people on their exam results and wish them every success on the next stage of their education.**

**CORNERSTONE OPENING HOURS**

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

**Copies of the weekly email and Sunday notices can be found on the Weekly  
Notices page on our website: [www.menstonmethodist.org.uk](http://www.menstonmethodist.org.uk)**

*Items for inclusion in the Church weekly notices and email should be given to  
Jalna (07814 518778) or emailed to: [menstonmethodist@btconnect.com](mailto:menstonmethodist@btconnect.com)  
by Thursday morning.*