

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.

Refreshments are served in the main hall after the service

Sunday 29 March : Palm Sunday

Rev Cameron Stirk & Rev Annie Baker Streevy

Circuit United Service

We welcome our friends from

Guiseley, Yeadon, Hawksworth, Bramhope, Norwood, Otley & Pool

Monday 30 March

Table Tennis 10am

Tuesday 31 March

Prayer Time **10.15am** (Room 1)

Wednesday 1 April

Memory Café 10am

Coffee Moring at The Beeches 10am

Wednesday Group 2pm

Friday 3 April

Cornerstone will be CLOSED on Good Friday

Sunday 5 April : Easter Day

10.45am Easter Day Service of Holy Communion led by Rev Cameron Stirk

Please bring a flower for the Easter Cross

PREACHING PLAN MARCH TO MAY

Copies of the preaching plan from March to May are in the church foyer.

SUNDAY 19 APRIL

The service on Sunday 19 April will now be a Local Arrangement Service in Church. This will take the form of 'Songs and Stories'. We are delighted that Liz will be able to play for us.

We need your suggestions of hymns, worship songs or secular songs for the service - as long as they have a faith link as part of your story as to why you chose it. We can either listen to Liz play and sing, or sing together, depending on the hymn/song.

Please think about this and give your suggestion to one of the Stewards by Sunday 12 April. Please only choose a hymn/song if you have something to share about it - which gives it its meaning. If you do not wish to stand up and speak, this can be read out on your behalf.

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES

Will be in the pews today and Easter Day. Donations given go to support the work of the Methodist Church's World Mission Fund. Please return the envelopes by **Sunday 12 April**.

The Easter Offering dedication service has been arranged for Tuesday 12 May at 2.15pm at Guiseley Methodist Church.

HOLY WEEK

MAUNDY THURSDAY 2 APRIL

7pm We are joining our friends at **St John's** for a United Service of Holy Communion. Rev Cameron is sharing in the service.

GOOD FRIDAY 3 APRIL

12 noon Open Air Service of Witness at the **Chevin Cross**.

7pm Rev Cameron will lead a short service of reflection and readings **at our Church**.

EASTER DAY SUNDAY 5 APRIL

7am Easter Day Service at the **Chevin Cross**. Last year about 250 people came. Rev Cameron will be sharing in the leading of both services at the Chevin Cross.

10.45am Easter Day Service of Holy Communion at **Menston Methodist** led by Rev Cameron. Please bring a flower for our Easter Cross.

PASTORAL

Margaret Stansfield is in hospital following a bad fall. Please keep Margaret in your thoughts and prayers.

Please also remember Dorothy Newall who has been in hospital.

EASTER FAYRE

Very many thanks to everyone who helped at and supported our Easter Fayre last Saturday, and the talented crafters who spend many hours creating items to sell. We are delighted that we raised £711 which will be split between the Church, Christian Against Poverty and Local Food Banks.

LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC

Michael Pratt's last organ music recital before the summer break will take place at 1pm on **Friday 10 April**. Free entry (retiring collection).

BANK HOLIDAY REFRESHMENTS AT NORWOOD

Otley Methodist Church are hosting refreshments at Norwood Chapel on Bank Holiday **Monday 4 May** from 12 noon to 4pm. Anyone able to help/bake, please contact Christine Pratt on 07984 013456.

CONNECT GROUPS

Will next meet at follows:

Tuesday 21 April at 2.30pm

Tuesday 21 April at 7pm (The Monday Group)

Both groups are led by Rev Cameron

RETREAT

On **Thursday 23 April** 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. Our theme will be: 'The Cup of our Life' with sessions around the theme of cups from the Bible.

We invite you to bring a favourite cup/mug from home which we shall use and bless. 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, and cake!

Suggested minimum donation of £10 for the day and following costs the remainder will be donated to charity.

To book a place (only 20 places available so do book earlier!) speak to Cameron on: thestirks@tiscali.co.uk or 01943 463258 or 07981 072277.

See poster on noticeboard.

TUESDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP

The group will be meeting at **10.15am on Tuesday 31 March** in Room 1.

FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday Friendship Group will next meet at 2pm on **Friday 10 April**

WEDNESDAY GROUP

The group meets on the first Wednesday of the month and will next meet on **Wednesday 1 April 2026**. All ladies welcome. £2 per meeting.

TREE OF REMEMBRANCE

Having just passed the 6th anniversary of the start of Lock Down, we remember our Tree of Remembrance which is looking beautiful in the Church garden. If you would like to add a heart to the tree in memory of a loved one, these are available in the Church foyer and Cornerstone.

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 1 April 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.

SUN CLUB

There will no longer be organised Sun Club sessions on a Sunday morning. A box of activities and toys will be available for young people attending church.

FRIDAY CLUB

The next Friday Club for 7 to 13 year olds will be on **Friday 24 April** from 6pm to 8pm at The Armstrong's Farm.

FRIDAY LIVE

The next Friday Live for 13 to 17 year olds will be on **Friday 24 April** from 7.30pm to 9pm

CORNERSTONE OPENING HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.30am to 1.30pm
Saturday 9.30am to 12 noon
(Closed Wednesday & Sunday)

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.