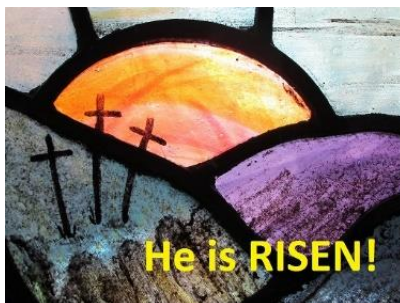


WELCOME TO MENSTON METHODIST CHURCH

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 5 April : Easter Day

10.45am Easter Day Service of Holy Communion led by Rev Cameron Stirk
If you are able to, please bring a flower for the Easter Cross

Monday 6 April

Cornerstone open as usual 9.30am
Table Tennis 10am

Friday 10 April

Organ Music Recital 1pm
Friday Friendship Group 2pm

Sunday 12 April

Roland Henney
Local Preachers' Sunday

Sunday 19 April

This will now be a Local Arrangement Service in Church.
Please see over for details

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 or Jo Dixon 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

Are in the pews today. Donations given go to support the work of the Methodist Church's World Mission Fund. Please return them by next Sunday.

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

NOTICE FOR ALL CHURCH MEMBERS

Please look on the Church noticeboard. You will see that all Church Members have been allocated to a class/group, with a Group/Pastoral Leader. This is your contact person who will liaise with Rev Cameron should the need arise.

PASTORAL

Margaret Stansfield sends her thanks for the kind words, cards & prayers received following her recent fall and recovery in hospital.

EASTER FAYRE

Very many thanks to everyone who helped at and supported our Easter Fayre 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

BREATHE

The next Breathe will be on **Wednesday 22 April** at 7.30pm in Cornerstone. A time to relax, refresh and be inspired through music, contemporary conversations, testimony and film. For those with or without faith.

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.

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 6 May** at 2pm. All ladies welcome. £2 per meeting.

VIVACE

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

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

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 for games, fun, lambs & food.

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.