

**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 6 April

Rev Roberta Topham

Café Church Fifth Sunday in Lent

Monday 7 April

Table Tennis at 10am

Lent Group 7pm on Zoom

Tuesday 8 April

Prayer Time 9.30am (Room 1)

Lent Group 2.30pm in Cornerstone

Lent Group 7.30pm (St John's Parish Room)

Friday 11 April

Organ Music Recital 1pm

Friday Friendship Group 2pm (social afternoon – outing postponed)

Saturday 12 April

Easter Fayre 10am to 12 noon

Sunday 13 April

Lindsey Hurst

Palm Sunday

CIRCUIT LETTER

Please take time to read the latest Circuit letter from Rev Tim Perkins
(enclosed & copies available in the foyer).

PASTORAL

Sue & Hilary would like to thank everyone for their cards, phone calls and kindness shown to them during their recent loss. Everyone has been very caring and supportive, and for this they are very appreciative.

Allan Blue's Funeral Service will be at Rawdon Crematorium on Wednesday 16 April at 10am and will be led by Rev Keith Jones, a family friend. After the service all are welcome at the White Swan, Yeadon High Street LS19 7TA

Rev Leslie Holmes

It is with sadness that we share the news of the death of Rev Leslie Holmes
(see Rev Tim's Circuit letter for information).

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Do invite family & friends to our services

Tuesday 15 April

7pm Stations of the Cross at St John's – a quiet time of guided reflection.

Maundy Thursday 17 April

7pm Quiet service of Holy Communion at Menston Methodist led by
Rev Cameron, followed by a prayer vigil at St John's.

Good Friday 18 April

12 noon at the Chevin Cross – open air service.

4pm Rev Cameron will lead a service of reflection at Otley Methodist Church.

Easter Day Sunday 20 April

7am early ecumenical service at the Chevin Cross.

9am Rev Cameron will lead a Communion Service at Menston Methodist.

10.30am café style service of celebration in the main hall led by
David Goulesbrough.

Light breakfast will be served in Cornerstone between the two service.

Please remember to bring a flower for our Easter Cross.

EASTER OFFER ENVELOPES

Methodist Women in Britain Easter Offering Easter Offering envelopes will be available at Church for the next 3 weeks. They can be returned up until Sunday 27 April. There will be a dedication service for these gifts at Guiseley Methodist church on Thursday 13 May at 2.15pm

EASTER FAYRE

Our Easter Fayer will take place next Saturday 12 April from 10am to 12 noon. New/unused gifts & household items, recent paperback books & jigsaws can be left in the box in Cornerstone. Donations of cakes, buns, biscuits on the day would be welcomed.

We will again have a Fairtrade stall including Palestinian crafts, and welcome Rachel's Floral Designs from Menston who will have some small arrangements/Easter wreaths for sale and will be able to take orders for flowers.

NEW PLACE FOR NEW PEOPLE (NPNP) STEERING TEAM

In addition to supporting Otley Methodist Church through a period of transition on the imminent sale of their building, the circuit has committed to exploring what it might look like to start a new project aimed entirely at Otley residents who are not currently involved in a church. This exciting journey of discovery will depend on a steering team of people from around the circuit who are passionate about outreach, open to new ideas and willing to meet and connect with new people. If that sounds like you, please get in touch with Rev Wendy Walker to join the team! You can read more about New Places for New People on this link <https://shorturl.at/Rtt7M>

LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC

Michael's next organ music recital is on Friday 11 April at 1pm. Free admission (retiring collection). All welcome

TREE OF REMEMBRANCE

Having just passed the 5th anniversary of the start of the Covid lockdown, we remember our Tree of Remembrance planted in the church garden, which is looking beautiful. If you wish to renew a heart previously hung in memory of a loved one or add a new one, there are new ones available in Cornerstone & the Church foyer.

CONNECT

Monday 28 April at 7.30pm

The Tuesday Group at 2.30pm tbc

Both groups are led by Rev Cameron

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.

SUN CLUB

Sun Club for young people meets in Cornerstone during morning service on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Sundays of the month during term time.

WEDNESDAY GROUP

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

Wednesday 7 May.

FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP

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

Friday 11 April – Social Afternoon (outing has been postponed)

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 7 May 2025 from 10am to 12 noon. Refreshments, activities and support available. Please feel free to drop in any time during the morning.

FRIDAY CLUB

Friday Club (7 to 13 years) meets on Friday 25 April from 6pm to 8pm at the Armstrong's Farm. Fun, games, lambs & food.

FRIDAY LIVE

Friday Live (13 to 17 years) meets on Friday 25 April from 7.30pm to 9pm.

VIVACE

Vivace Youth Choir (aged 7 and upwards) will next meet on Thursday 24 April at 6.15pm.

CORNERSTONE OPENING HOURS

CORNERSTONE WILL BE CLOSED ON GOOD FRIDAY 18 APRIL

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9.30am to 1.30pm

Saturday: 9.30am to 1.30pm (Closed Wednesday)

If you are on email and do not receive our weekly Church Family News but would like to, please email with a request:

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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: menstonmethodist@btconnect.com by Thursday morning.