

**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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays.**

**Sunday 8 September**

Rev Cameron Stirk  
Holy Communion  
Sun Club

**Monday 9 September**

Table Tennis at 10am

**Tuesday 10 September**

Prayer Time 9.30am (Room 1)

**Friday 13 September**

Friday Friendship Group 2pm

**Saturday 14 September**

Forest Church 3pm

**Sunday 15 September**

Café Church  
Local Arrangement

## **NEW PLAN : SEPTEMBER TO NOVEMBER 2024**

Copies of the new Plan are available at Church.

### **HARVEST**

Our Harvest service this year will take place on Sunday 29 September at which we will be joined by our friends from Burley. Donations of tinned and dried produce as well as toiletries and personal hygiene products will be welcomed for St Vincent's Centre in Leeds. Donations can also be left in the box in Cornerstone.

There will also be an envelope collection for The Methodist Church All We Can Harvest Appeal which is this year exploring the theme 'Charity Begins at Home, Your Home. Their Home. God's Home'.

### **SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE**

The total sum raised through the donations for Sunday coffee over the last year was £1,112. This has been forwarded to our three charities – Ilkley Food Bank, Otley Food Bank and CAP (Christians Against Poverty). Many thanks to all who have donated and those who give of their time on Sunday mornings.

David Brown

### **CORNERSTONE**

Cornerstone had a wonderful re-opening on Tuesday 3 September, which ended up being a very busy morning as we welcomed returning and new customers.

Our thanks must go, in particular, to Jo and Charlotte, and the Cornerstone committee, for their vision in bringing this refurbishment to fruition. The space it has now created in Cornerstone will be of tremendous benefit to the Café, our Church and the wider community.

### **PASTORAL**

Ken Brown is now back home following back surgery. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ken and Rosemary during what will be a gradual recovery process.

### **LUNCHTIME ORGAN MUSIC**

Michael's monthly lunchtime organ recitals will resume as follows on the 2<sup>nd</sup>

Friday of the month from 1pm to 1.30pm (free entry):

Friday 11 October

Friday 8 November

Friday 13 December

### **MENSTON SCOUTS & GUIDES**

Over the last 7 weeks a further £55.47 has been raised through your donations of 20ps at coffee. Thank you.

### **FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT**

Fairtrade Fortnight runs from 9 to 22 September 2024. This year, join us in urging everyone to **Be the Change**, by picking up Fairtrade products and speaking up for fairer trade.

### **WEDNESDAY GROUP**

The Wednesday Group for ladies meets on the first Wednesday of the month at 2pm as follows (£1 per meeting):

Wednesday 2 October, Wednesday 6 November, Wednesday 4 December.

### **FRIDAY FRIENDSHIP GROUP**

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

Friday 13 September – Social afternoon & quiz

Friday 27 September – More Local Films (Roy Vickers)

Friday 11 October – Outing

Friday 25 October – Do you know what you are saying! (Ian Howe)

Contact Maureen Hobson for further information (01943 873573)

### **FRIDAY CLUB & FRIDAY LIVE**

Both groups will next meet on Friday 27 September. Friday Club from 6pm to 7.30pm (for 7 to 13 years olds) and Friday Live from 7.30pm to 9pm (for 13 to 17 year olds).

## **CONNECT GROUPS**

Monday at 7.30pm tbc

Tuesday 17 September at 2.30pm

Both groups meet in Cornerstone  
(further information from Jo).

## **FOREST CHURCH**

The next Forest Church is on Saturday 14 September at 3pm at the White House, Otley Chevin. Puy the date in your diary now - and tell families and friends about this interactive, outdoor expression of faith.

## **BREATHE**

The next Breathe session will be on Wednesday 18 September at 7.30pm in Cornerstone Café

## **TIME OUT FOR PARENTS : THE EARLY YEARS**

A series of 6 sessions for parents & carers of children under 5 on Thursday evenings commencing on Thursday 19 September in Cornerstone from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Speak to Cameron to book a place or for more information. *See poster on noticeboard.*

## **RAMBLE & RUMINATIONS**

On Saturday 21 September, join Rev Shannon on a countryside ramble, during which we will have the chance to reflect and pray, time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation. *See poster on noticeboard.*

## **CORNERSTONE**

The opening hours remain unchanged:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday

9.30am to 1.30pm

CLOSED WEDNESDAY & SUNDAY

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**menstonmethodist@btconnect.com**  
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