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✨🕯️ CIRCUIT ADVENT SERVICE 🕯️✨

“Prepare the Way of the Lord”

You are warmly invited to join us for our **Circuit Advent Service** as we come together to celebrate the hope, peace, joy and love of the Advent season, and prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus Christ.

Come and share in a special time of worship, prayer, Scripture, music and fellowship as we journey together towards Christmas.

Sunday 29th November, 6pm

West Wakefield Methodist Church, Thornes Road, Wakefield, WF2 8QR.

Refreshments will follow the service.

All are welcome! Bring your family, friends and fellow worshippers as we celebrate the true meaning of Christmas together.

“The people walking in darkness have seen a great light.” — Isaiah 9:2

We look forward to welcoming you!

Star of Wonder

An Aire & Calder Circuit Collaborative Festive Display
at Lakeside Creative Arts Centre
Friday 18th and Saturday 19th December

We know our circuit is full of wonderful, creative people and we want to celebrate that by organising a united Christmas display!

We will be contacting all the Churches early in November with more details and to get a star to decorate to you. If you haven’t heard from us about your star, please get in touch.

Ackworth Methodist Church

Coffee morning every Monday (except for Bank holidays) 10.30 – 12pm.
Serving home-made cakes/tea/coffee and everyone is welcome to join us.

Airedale Methodist Church

Saturday 14 November: 11.00am - 1.00pm. Christmas Fayre - Lunch is available during the fayre. Everyone is welcome.
Sunday 15 November: A 3-course Sunday Lunch will be served at 12.30. Tickets available from Sharon on 07530 573732.
Every Monday and Wednesday: Our lunch clubs serve a 2-course meal, to book a place please contact Sharon on 07530 573732.
Friday 4 December: 7.30pm - Castleford Area Songbirds are holding their Christmas concert. Donations are for Church funds. Everyone is welcome to join us for a fun evening.

Altofts Methodist Church

Weekly events: For any information, please contact Katerina Nelson ekatinvanov@hotmail.com
Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday: Dance classes for children and adults. Various times.
Tuesday: 1.00 – 3.00pm - Free Community Social Group (warm space) seated exercise, quizzes, board games etc etc - Lots of chatter and laughter. For information contact: lindapwhittingham@hotmail.com
Wednesday: Table Tennis 7.30 - 9.30pm.
Thursday: Indoor bowling 10.00am - 12 noon and Scouts groups 5.00 - 9.00pm.

Featherstone Methodist Church

Every Thursday: 9 - 12noon - Community Coffee Morning. Coffee/Tea/Toast available plus fancy goods stall and the 'Harrod's Rail'. Proceeds to church funds.

Horbury Methodist Church

Thursday 5 November: 3.30pm – 5.30pm. Messy Church. Toddlers to teenagers with an adult or carer welcome. Food, craft, stories and singing. Free to all. This months' session is "Peace".
Tuesday 10 November: 2.30pm. Horbury Methodist Ladies Group. "Christmas Teacups" Speaker Margaret Thorley-Lawson – Contact Julie Craven on 07783 358833 if you would like more information about this group.
Saturday 14 November: 10.30 - 11.30am Prayer Walk – Join us as we walk from church around Horbury meeting people and praying for all the people of our town.
Tuesday 24 November: Bible Book Club. 7.10pm - prayer and 7.30pm - discussion. Join us at this discussion and learning group in a friendly informative atmosphere.
Wednesdays: Pause for Thought – A weekly warm space/coffee morning between 10am and 11.45am including a "Pause for Thought" at 11.30am. Contributions to refreshments welcome.
Every Saturday: 10am - 12noon - Coffee Morning - A weekly coffee morning.

Christmas Fayre and Horbury Christmas Lights Switch on

Friday 27 November: 4pm - 7pm Fayre, Food, Stalls, Lights and Santa.
Lights switched on 5.30 - 6pm led by Darren Byford with Light Show, Live entertainment and, of course, SANTA
Saturday 28 November: 9.30am - 1pm Christmas Coffee Morning with Food and Stalls - Good quality stalls to enjoy and great food will be served.

Kippax Methodist Church

We are sending love and blessings to everyone in our Circuit. Those who are struggling in any way, those for whom it is a time of joy and celebration and for everyone involved in spreading the love and joy of our Lord. We continue our prayers for peace throughout the world and ask God to surround all those involved with his strength and love and for world leaders to make the right choices and talk to each other. We are praying for people in our own country and for everyone around the world. For those whose lives are being challenged by decisions, of various World Leaders, that are creating war and financial problems throughout the world. We pray that God's love will surround our troubled world and that World leaders will talk positively to each other.

We are praying that God blesses our village and everyone who lives here who may be having problems, concerns or who are struggling in any way

We give thanks for everyone in our community who visits our Church Their chatter, joy and fellowship brings a special addition to our Church and it's journey into the future.

Monthly Open House Talks - Our next monthly Open House event will take place on Wednesday 11 November (between 2pm and 3pm) and will be led by Sue Own and Fiona Murray who will talk about The World Peace Flame. All are welcome to join us at this event where we hope to have lots of fun and laughter.

Friday Feeling - Our Friday Feeling Youth Group has started for another year, with new members. We have progressed from a youth club for primary school aged pupils to teenagers (mainly because the primary school pupils grew older and refused to leave us). Our activities have therefore altered but the love and joy from watching these teenagers grow in confidence and maturity is a blessing. We are grateful for the support that we receive from the Circuit Youth Workers who bring new and exciting projects each time they come.

Tuesday Morning – Our Tuesday Coffee Mornings will continue to be held between 9.30am. to 11.00am. This is very much recognised as a warm and welcome event that many in our village join us at. The bonus is the reasonably priced tea and coffee and toasted fruit teacakes (which are going down a treat). A great opportunity for fellowship and to meet new friends.

Saturday Coffee Morning - Our famous 'bacon butty' coffee morning is on Saturday 28 November from 10am to 1pm. All our welcome to join us for good food and fellowship.

Remembrance Day – 8 November: Remembrance Day is a large event in Kippax and includes The British Legion, Anglican Church (together with ourselves), Parish Council (who are responsible for its organisation), Guides, Brownies, Cubs, Scouts and many other groups. We march through the village to the War Memorial where we remember the young men of Kippax who gave the ultimate sacrifice. Please feel free to come and join us.

Christmas Fair – 14 November

We are holding our Christmas Fair on Saturday 14 November with a variety of stalls. In addition, we will be serving refreshments (including our famous bacon butties). If you are free come along and start your Christmas shopping whilst having fun.

Lakeside Creative Arts Centre

Craft & Chat - Our regular Craft and Chat group takes place each 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month. We're a friendly bunch and we'd love to see you! A great opportunity to chat about all things crafty! This is a free event but donations welcome, no need to book. All crafts are welcome and there will be plenty of tea/coffee and biscuits. For more information, please contact Shelley by emailing hello@lakesidecreativeartscentre.co.uk

Lindale Methodist Church, Kirkhamgate

Saturday 7 November: 10am to 12noon. Coffee morning.

Lofthouse Methodist Church

Tuesday 3 November: 1.30pm - Tuesday Club.

Tuesday 10 November: 10am - Bible study and prayer meeting with Rev'd Jacob.

Saturday 14 November: 2.30pm. Remembrance Concert. Wakefield Youth Jazz Orchestra present 'Music and Memories'. Ticket entry only. Tickets £5 incl. refreshments, from Sally on 07816 750970.

church without a chapel — Methley Methodist Church

We are the "Church without a Chapel" and we will offer online interactive worship every week either fully on Zoom or if we are worshipping in a physical space. There is an open invitation to anyone to join if Zooming would work for you – whatever the reason. If you would like more info or to be put onto the circulation each week, please do let us know.

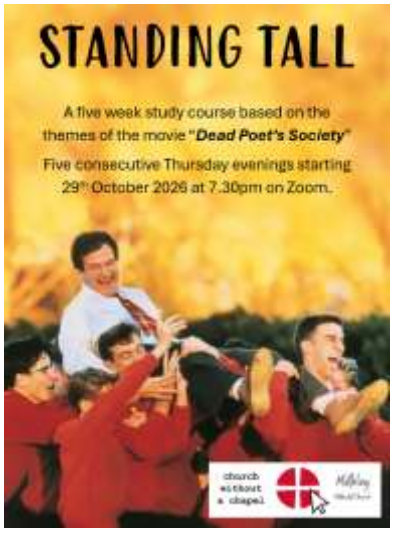
Email: churchwithoutachapel@icloud.com / Facebook: "Methley Methodist Church"

EasyChurch – "Easy" accessible worship always with a difference…
bring an open mind and heart… – ***Sunday 8th at 6pm***
Sunday 15th – 10.45am – Hybrid Service from Normanton
Sunday 22nd – 10.45am – Local Arrangement
Sunday 29th – 10.45am – Hybrid Service at Airedale



THE CLUELESS CHORUS
The choir for people who can't sing! If you enjoy singing this choir is for you. We come together virtually and laugh, cry, share, oh and yes… sing too – all without caring what it sounds like! We have successfully managed to get most of our members connected via Zoom so let us know if you'd like to join in.
Mondays 7.00-8.00pm

"Strong Together" - A WhatsApp forum and weekly video call to catch up with each other and stay in touch in these strange and sometimes challenging times. Please contact us for details if you would like to join in…



Study Group - On 5 consecutive Thursdays from October 29th at 7:30pm we will be running a Zoom study group based on the film "Dead Poet's Society" called **"Standing Tall"**, all very welcome whether attending one or all the sessions.

"A MOMENT OF QUIET"… November 18th 7:30pm. you are invited to our monthly meditation meeting - a short meditation and time of prayer, the aim will be to finish before 8pm. This will be a time to take a step from the busyness and pressure a time to release some of the things we hold on tightly to and perhaps breathe a little more gently, all welcome.



Weekly Circuit Communion
Trinity Methodist Church, Norton Road, Wakefield
Thursdays at 9.30am
Everyone is welcome to attend this short communion Service.

Parkside Methodist Church, Outwood

Tuesdays: 5.45 - 6.35pm. Pilates. (More information from Charlotte 07377 540398)
Tuesdays: 7 - 9pm. Paint and Palette group.
Thursdays: 7 - 9pm. Line Dancing.
Tuesday 3 November: 10.15 Bible Study and Prayer (Mark 10: 32-45)
Saturday 7 November: 10.00am - 11.30am - Community Coffee Morning. (In Aid of Yorkshire Air Ambulance).
Saturday 7 November: 10.00am - Prayer Walk.
Tuesday 17 November: 10.15am - Bible Study and Prayers. (Mark 10, 46-52 and Mark 11, 1-11).
Saturday 28 November: 2.00pm. Phoenix Christmas Brass Band Concert. Tickets available on entry £8.

Pontefract Methodist Church

Saturday 7 November: 6pm - Ackworth Community Choir Concert.
Thursday 12 November: 5.30pm - Bible Study.
Saturday 14 November: 10am to 11.30am - Coffee Morning.
2pm - Fairburn Singers concert.
Saturday 21 November: 7pm - Line Dancing.
Thursday 26 November: 5.30pm - Bible Study.
Each Wednesday: - indoor bowls 10am to noon.

Ropewalk Methodist Church

Bright Hour: Mondays at 2pm. All are welcome to come along and enjoy fellowship, hymns, prayers and an activity/speaker followed by tea & cakes.

Rothwell Methodist Church

Most Tuesdays: 2 - 4pm - Knit and Natter.
Monday 2 November: Film Club 2-4pm (doors open at 1:45pm). This month's film is ***Testament of Youth***.
Friday 20 November: Charity Coffee Morning 10am - 12pm. Proceeds split between Children in Need and church funds.

Yorkshire West Methodist District

MAKE ROOM…

An Advent Retreat Day with Rev'd Jane Parker

Methodist Women in Britain

Wednesday 25 November 2026
at St. Andrew's Methodist Church,
Bradford Road, Liversedge WF15 6EF
(car park at rear, access from Carr Street, off Knowler Hill)

10.30 gather for tea/coffee - 11.00 start until 15.00 close

Please bring a packed lunch.

This retreat invites each one of us to make room in our busy lives to pause,
find stillness, and prepare for the coming of Christ.
Reflection, Prayer, Creativity

You are warmly invited - why not come and bring a friend?

Sandal Methodist Church

Weekly Meetings

Mondays: (Term Time) 9:00 – 11:15 Toddler Group. Toddlers are restating after the school holidays on Monday 7 September.

Wednesdays: 10:00 – 11:30 – Open Door (a warm space with Tea/Coffee, Biscuits and Fellowship) and Renovation Team (a dedicated team who carry out jobs around the church followed by refreshments).

Sandal Bowling Club meets weekly on:

Tuesday Mornings: 10:00 am – 12:00noon

Friday Afternoons: 2:00 pm – 4:00pm

Playing bowls is a nice gentle exercise and can be played by most people whatever their age or disabilities. It is a good social occasion with many opportunities to have a chat and enjoy a cuppa and biscuit, and a few people come just to watch as it is quite an interesting spectator sport too. Why not come and join us and give it a go!! We would love to see a few more people, especially on a Tuesday. Any queries please ring Chris Grundy 256823.

Monthly Meetings

Monday 9 November: 2:30pm - Men's Circle –– Speaker Mrs Jan Achibold, will talk about "The Memory Action Group" which supports dementia and Alzheimer sufferers and carers in the Wakefield District. There will be light refreshments from 2.00pm. This is an **OPEN MEETING EVERYONE WELCOME**

Wednesday 11 November: 3:30 – 5:30pm - Messy Church - All ages welcome (accompanied by an adult) for crafts, activities, worship, and food.

Monday 16 November: – 6:00 – 8:00pm – Messy Church Extra – A new, Messy Church inspired, group for children in school year 6 and above.

Monday 30 November: 2pm - Women's Fellowship – Graham Lee will speak about his trip to Brazil. There will also be a Christmas Gift Stall at this meeting. Everyone is welcome.

Advance Notice

Friday 4 & Saturday 5 December: 10am to 4pm – Christmas Tree Festival – please save the date

Saturday 12 December: 2pm - Sandal Methodist Church Choir invite you to an afternoon of "Christmas Joy". Tickets £10 including light refreshments. Ticket on sale from 15 November or ring 01924 257356.

Monday 14 December:7pm – Sandal Singers present "You've got a friend at Christmas" Tickets £10, under 16's free including refreshments contact sandalsingers@gmail.com

The King's Way Church

Coffee Mornings:

Church-based and charity coffee mornings are held on most Saturdays 10.00 – 11.30 am.

Most Tuesday Mornings: The King's Way Church is open between 11am and 12noon for a time of private prayer or quiet contemplation. We welcome anyone who wishes to come in and sit for a while. Bibles and hymn books are available to read as well as prayer cards.

Saturday 28 November 2pm – 5pm - Advent Activity Afternoon

Please feel free to come and join us to make craft items for Christmas. The crafts are for all ages and abilities. There will also be a café selling drinks and cakes. It is a pop-in event so people can come and go at any time.

Saturday 5 December: 7pm The King's Way Singers will be performing their Christmas concert. Admission is free and there will be a retiring collection for The Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Refreshments will be served in the hall at the end of the concert.

We look forward to welcoming you and invite you to come and sing along to some well-known Christmas songs and carols.

Trinity Methodist Church, Castleford

Saturday 7 November: 10.30-12.00noon - Coffee Morning with cakes and crafts. All welcome.
Hope Centre open for hot meals, food parcels and clothes bank every Tuesday and Wednesday 12.00- 2.00pm.
An appeal!
A volunteer is needed to prepare hot meal. 10.00 - 12.00pm for Wednesday sessions.
Monday evening 7.00-9.00pm cuppa, games and chat for mission guests.
Saturday 5 December: 10.00 - 1.00 pm Christmas Fair – crafts, cakes and food. All welcome.

Trinity Methodist Church, South Elmsall

Fridays 6, 13, 20 & 27 November: 9am - 11:30am – Coffee Morning. All welcome to join us in fellowship.
Saturday 21 November: Christmas Fair - Doors open 2:00pm.
Saturday 28 November: Winter themed Organ/ Piano Recital including audience participation. Light refreshment provided Free Entry.

Trinity Methodist Church, Netherton

Mondays 2, 16 & 30 November: 1.30pm - Knit & Natter.
Wednesdays 11 & 25 November: Bible Fellowship is moving to the afternoon. Meeting at 2pm.
Monday 9 November: 7pm - Book Club at The Star.
Wednesday 18 November: 1.30pm. Friendship Club - all welcome - refreshments, friendship & a time to share.
Friday 20 November: 7.30pm. Film Club - Film is "Testament of Youth", the story of Vera Britain based on her 1st World War memoirs of her family and in particular her role as a nurse as she searches for people she knows.
Saturday 28 November: 10am - 1pm. Chapel Cafe - Supporting Fair Trade, Christmas cards, plant sale.

Trinity Methodist Church, Wakefield

Second Saturday every Month: 10am -11.30am Coffee morning. Bring n Buy and a cake stall with all contributions sent to different Charities on each occasion. All welcome.

November at Twenty 7

Open each Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 10.00am - 2.00pm
for all to meet, chat, be
PLUS
Pontefract Music Makers Tuesday 17th November. 7.30pm - 9.00pm
Poetry Group Saturday 28th November, 10.00am - 12 noon
For more information contact David Buck on 07760 514030
dbuck@aireandcaldercircuit.org.uk

Charity Day
Friday 20th November
Our usual offering will be supplemented by a variety of cakes.
Donations to MHA Communities Wakefield are warmly welcomed.

Craft Group
Fortnightly, volunteer led, craft group.
Tuesday 3rd and 17th November, 10.30am to 1.00pm
Bring your own craft or join in with ours - materials provided.

website: twenty7.org.uk email: hello@twenty7.org.uk
Facebook: Twenty 7 - Pontefract

Twenty 7
meet, chat, be



Upton Methodist Church

Our SHARE Community coffee morning in November supports
The Hope Centre, Trinity Mission, Castleford.
Please come and join us for homemade cake, a variety of hot drinks and welcome chat.

Walton Methodist Church

Mondays 2, 16 & 30 November: 7.00 - 8.30pm - After Tea Line Dance. Admission £5. All welcome.
Every Tuesday: 10.00 -11.30am - Open Door Coffee Morning.
Every Wednesday: 9.30 - 12noon - Craft group.
Every Thursday: 1.00 - 3.00pm - Pop Up Post Office.
12.30 -3.00pm Cafe. Tea/coffee, Cakes, Crafts and Books.
Every Saturday: 9.30 - 11.30am - Coffee Morning.
Saturday 14 November: 9.30 - 11.30am - Charity Coffee Morning. All proceeds to Yorkshire Air Ambulance.
Saturday 28 November: 9.30 - 1.00pm Christmas Fayre. Lots of stalls - Cakes, Crafts, Gifts, Tombola and more. Bacon/Sausage sandwiches.

West Wakefield Methodist Church

Saturday 7 November: 10am - 11.30am - COFFEE MORNING in aid of Guide funds. Tea/Coffee and biscuits £1.50. Various stalls. All welcome.
Monday 9 November: 10.30am - 12noon COFFEE, CAKE AND CHAT. No charge. All welcome.
Saturday 28 November: 3pm - 5pm. FAMILY FILM AFTERNOON "The Muppets Christmas Carol" Interval - tea, ice cream, popcorn £1.

Submissions - Keep circuit members informed about what is happening at your church. Submit notification of events and good news stories to Heather Turner **no later than Monday 23 November** for the next e-News.
Please send emails to admin@aireandcaldercircuit.org.uk

Wrenthorpe Methodist Church

The Church is a warm space open for prayer and quiet reflection each Wednesday and Friday morning 10am - 12noon. The Wrenthorpe and Kirkhamgate Assist Friendship Cafe is also open in the Main Hall at the same time. All are welcome with wheelchair and mobility access from the car park.

Monday Evening during School term times: 7.30pm to 9pm There is a Bible Study in the Small Meeting Room for friendly study and discussion. All are welcome.

Tea & Tunes

Tea & Tunes continues Tuesday 17 November 11.30am - 1.00pm in Church. We start with refreshments and then Suzi Saperia (with assistance from Pete) leads us in a session of fun singing. Do come along if you can. You don't need to be able to sing! All welcome.

Methodist Women in Britain

Residential Conference 9th - 11th April 2027

The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire DE55 1AT

Wellness

Considering together our spiritual, physical and emotional wellbeing through fellowship, worship, Bible study, a wide selection of workshops and with our keynote speaker Deacon Karen McBride, serving in the Leicester area.

We Arise and Shine as women of faith in our communities.

Cost for full board Friday evening to Sunday lunchtime

£210 per person

Booking opens Friday 6th November on our website

www.mwib.org.uk

A deposit of £100 now secures your place, balance due in February

Some support available in the form of Bursaries

Further information & Bursary form: swanwick.mwib26@gmail.com