

Prayer for Today

Lord Jesus, you call each one of us to follow you, to be your disciples. You enable us to live out that discipleship as we seek to transform the lives of those whom we meet and the communities to which we belong. You inspire us to be agents of change, to proclaim your love and to be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit. You challenge us to live every day for you. May we be open to new ways and strengthened through your power. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by Rev Paul Davis, Lancashire District Chair

Circuit Treasurer required. Our present Circuit Treasurer is due to retire in March 2019 having been in this post since 2008. We are looking for a replacement, someone who has financial qualifications and is computer literate. Full training will be given. This is an essential voluntary role within our Circuit. For full details please contact Peter Gambles – 01423 870700 – email: petergambles76@gmail.com

Prayer Tree. In the Prayer Corner at the back of the Church is a prayer tree, with paper 'leaves' provided for prayers to be written on and hung on the branches. All are free to use this at any time. The leaves are gathered together prayerfully before the evening Communion service each month, then presented with the offering during the service.

We include prayers for others in every service. If you wish someone to be mentioned by name in these prayers, please ask their permission, then pass the name on to the steward on duty.

The stand for the church Christmas Tree has been removed from the cupboard in the storage area at the back of the small hall - if anyone knows where it can be located please speak to the Stewards.

Church Notices: any items to be included need to reach Peter and Linda Phillips by 7.00 pm on the preceding Thursday, in writing, either via e-mail to peter.linda@theinvernet.co.uk or post/deliver to 50 St Hilda's Road.



WOODLANDS METHODIST CHURCH

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We welcome all those worshipping with us today

If you have recently moved into the area or started attending this church please make yourself known to one of the stewards or leave your name and address on one of the welcome cards to be found in the pews.

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING

SUNDAY 21st October 2018

Our worship services today:

10.30 am Rev Linda Phillips *Holy Communion*

Sunday School meets during morning service today – details below
Refreshments will be served in the Middle Hall after the service

6.30 pm Rev Christine Gillespie

There is a Loop System in operation in the church and main hall, for those who use hearing aids. **Large Print** copies of all hymns & songs & the Notices are available. Please ask a Steward for further assistance.

Sunday School meets this morning for children and young people aged 4-16. A crèche is also available for under-4s. The children normally join the congregation for the first 15 minutes of the service and then go to their own session, but today they will start in their own groups, then join us for Communion. All children and young people are welcome to stay for the whole main service if they prefer. Please speak to a Steward for further information.

Thank you for your offerings on 14th October, amounting to £654.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES from 22nd – 27th October

Monday 22nd

7.30 pm **Planning Meeting** for the 'Choices' Service. See below.

Thursday 25th

10.00 am **Thursday House Group** meets at the home of Neil and Sue Ross. See below.

7.00 pm **WOW Bible Study Group** meets at the home of Yvonne & Craig Wraight. See below

Friday 26th

8.10 am **Breakfast Club**

8.30 am **Church open for prayer**

8.45 am **Toast**

Next Sunday 28th October, 2018

10.30 am Mrs. Helen Evison

3.00 pm Service of Holy Communion at The Cuttings
(See below for more information)

6.30 pm Rev Christine Gillespie *Holy Communion*

Contact Sue Ross **TODAY** (no commitment involved!) if you might be interested in the **FLOURISH District Weekend in Scarborough to be held on 18th - 20th October 2019**: An event for all ages and in a range of styles. More details are in Contact: if we know who might be interested, we can look at block booking accommodation and transport.

Monday 22nd October at 7.30 pm A planning meeting **at the Manse** for the 'Choices' Service at 10.30 am on Sunday 4th November. All are welcome to contribute ideas and/or offers of help.

Thursday House Group continues to meet this week, looking at the 3rd chapter of the First Letter of John. Further information from Peter and Linda Phillips on 819009. New members always welcome!

Thursdays October 25th and November 22nd at 7 pm: (no meeting in December). **The WOW Bible study group** invite all ladies to join them as they start exploring Leviticus and Numbers to consider the issues these Old Testament texts raise for us today (over a cuppa and biscuit of course). If you would like to join them, please read the book of Leviticus beforehand. They also plan to read and discuss the novel 'The Red Tent' by Anita Diamant, which follows the story of Dinah (daughter of Jacob & sister of Joseph) to look at the Old Testament from a female perspective. Hope to see you there. Details from Yvonne Wraight.

Friday 26th October 1-3 pm at the Wesley Centre, Oxford Street, Harrogate: Wesley Welcome Café, reaching out to those living with dementia. Further details on the Notice Board in the Main Hall.

Winter is on the way: we hope to replace the church heating soon, and an appeal for funding will be launched at an **Open House at Christine's manse (26 Woodlands Drive) on Saturday 3rd November** from 10 – 12 noon and 2 – 4 p.m. Donations will be match-funded at this event up to a total of £2000. See details in the Contact magazine.

The folk at Greenfield Court (across the road from our church) have moved! The new premises provided by Harrogate Neighbours Housing Association are located at The Cuttings, Station View, Starbeck, Harrogate, HG2 7JA. The monthly Communion Services will continue at the new premises beginning next Sunday, 28th October at 3 pm. See the Harrogate Neighbours website for more details about the new housing - <https://www.hnha.co.uk/>.

Saturday 17th November 2018 Christmas Fair – Mark the date! Also, any items for the Tombola would be gratefully received: please put them in the box in the church vestibule.

Saturday 17th November 2018, 7.30 pm at the Wesley Centre - A concert by Stephen Hough who will be playing pieces by Bach, Busoni, Chopin and Liszt and also his own composition. Tickets are £16, or £8 for age 26 and under. Tickets are available from Wesley Centre, P&C Music on Devonshire Place and Harrogate Tourist Information Centre.