

Prayer for Today

God of new creation, on the journey from caterpillar to butterfly keep us faithful in that soupy stage when structures fall apart. When we have lost sight of who we were and cannot yet grasp who we are to become, give us the courage to keep going. Strengthen our confidence that the new thing you desire to do in us and through us will be full of your glory. Amen

Rev Rachel Parkinson, Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury 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.

Contact details for Stewards: If you need to contact a Church Steward for any reason please speak to the Sunday duty steward or alternatively phone Neil Ross on 01423 202532.

Thank you for your offerings on 21st October, amounting to £ 604.50

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

Wetherby Road, Harrogate, HG2 7SG

Minister: Rev. Christine Gillespie

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Website:-

<https://woodlandsmethodistchurch.wordpress.com>

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 28th October 2018

Our worship services today:

10.30 am Mrs. Helen Evison

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

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

6.30 pm Rev Christine Gillespie *Holy Communion*

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, although they are welcome to stay in the main service if they prefer. Please speak to a Steward for further information.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES from 29th October – 3rd November

Wednesday 31st October

1.30 pm **Ladies Circle Jumble Sale.** More details below.

Saturday 3rd November

10-12 noon and 2 – 4 pm **Open House at the Manse**, to launch fund-raising for new heating system. Details below.

Next Sunday 4th November, 2018

9.00 am Rev Christine Gillespie Holy Communion
Breakfast will be served after the service.

10.30 am Rev Christine Gillespie *Choices Service*

6.30 pm Mr Martin Lightfoot

3 pm today – Service of Holy Communion at The Cuttings. This is the new home for the folk from Greenfield Court, and can be found at Station View, Starbeck, Harrogate, HG2 7JA. Friends from church are always welcome to share in this service.

Wednesday 31st October at 1.30 pm – Ladies Circle Jumble Sale. Please come along and support this event, the proceeds of which will be for the Christmas Fair (i.e Church Funds). Help will be needed on **Tuesday 30th from 6 pm** to set up, and at the Sale the following day. Please contact Joan Wood or Marion Munroe if you are able to help.

31st October is also the last date for contributions to **Nidd Valley News:** the next issue will cover the months December 2018 to February 2019 (and can include future events &/or reflections on things we have done). Please email material to Nicola: njapollard@ntlworld.com

Thursday House Group is not meeting this week as it is half term, but continues on **8th November at 10.00 am**, looking at the 4th chapter of the First Letter of John. Further information from Peter and Linda Phillips on 819009. New members always welcome!

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.

Tuesday 6th November 7 pm in the Upper Room - Angelic knit-in and labelling! About 300 Christmas angels have been knitted so far to distribute at carol singing and our Christmas services. Join us to carry on knitting or to make labels to attach to the angels made. Materials provided, or bring your own 3.5 to 4 mm needles and double-knit wool or a hole punch and thin ribbon! Refreshments provided. Let Nicola know if you can come or if you have any questions.

Saturday 10th November: 10 am to 12 noon Manse garden tidy. Could you spare an hour or two to help tidy the garden at the Manse? Please bring your secateurs and gardening gloves, hedge shears and rakes if you can. More help means the job is done faster and there will be refreshments! Let Jan Fitzmaurice or Nicola Pollard know if you are free.

Saturday 17th November 2018 Christmas Fair – Mark the date! Also please see separate flyer enclosed about items requested.

Also, quiz sheets are now available from David Munroe. Please, if you can, purchase one. Cost £1: the proceeds go to purchase items for the children's bran tub at the Christmas Fair. If you are able to sell a few to friends or family please let David know and he will provide extra copies.

Marriage and Relationships. The Methodist Conference will debate issues about marriage and relationships next year. They hope that churches and circuits will have conversations prior to this so that people are aware of the issues to be explored and opportunity to express their views. **The local meeting to do this will be held at 7.30 pm on 2nd April 2019 at Wesley Methodist Church. Please save the date.**

CHRISTMAS FAIR SATURDAY 17th NOVEMBER
10.00 A.M. TO 3.00 P.M.

Please support this major fund-raising event for the church.
Refreshments will be available all day. Admission still just 50p
New this year - Children's craft activities!

All stallholders would be pleased to receive any contributions
to the stalls as follows:-

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| Bric-a-brac | - Christine Sadler and Jean Beckingham |
| Sweets | - Marion Munroe and Sylvia Fox |
| Refreshments | - Brenda Lawrence will be pleased to
receive offers of homemade
biscuits and cakes |
| Cakes | - Karen Russell and Suzanne Cowell |
| Ladies' Circle | - Joan Wood |
| Preserves | - Brenda Lawrence |
| Bran Tub & Tombola | - David Munroe |
| Books, CD's and DVD's | - Linda and Peter Phillips and Tony Nalty |
| Stationery | - Marion Munroe |
| Toiletries | - Marion Munroe |

If anyone has items for the Fair
which they would like to have collected
please telephone Marion Munroe 01423 887941
to arrange this.