

### Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, when we're tempted to feel despondent, when our lives seem dreary or dull, and the world around us looks fragile and forlorn, surprise us with your Spirit. Challenge us to stop, listen and look again; to see a world transformed by your love, a people bearing your divine image, and a new day, open to all the rich possibilities of your infinite, amazing grace. Amen

*Rev Stephen Wigley, Wales Synod Chair*

**Woodlands Lunch Club - wonderful news!** This will begin on Friday November 9<sup>th</sup> then run every Friday during term time. We have volunteers from Breakfast Club who will prepare food at lunchtime too, and our team who collect waste food from Lidl, Bookers, Asda, Morrisons and Tesco. There will be enough to provide lunch every week for ten Foresight clients and ten guests. We hope our guests will be local people who would appreciate a warm meal and some company. We might be able to provide transport. **As you can guess ... we need volunteers!** Can you spare an hour on a Friday to set tables, or "meet and greet", or tidy the kitchen and wash up? Do you know anyone we could invite as a guest? Could you be the coordinator to keep rotas and records up to date? Please let Catherine Baxter know if you are able to help in any way with this really exciting new venture.

### 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](mailto:petergambles76@gmail.com)

**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](mailto:peter.linda@theinvernet.co.uk) or post/deliver to 50 St Hilda's Road.



## WOODLANDS METHODIST CHURCH

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<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 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018 - Harvest Festival

#### Our worship services today:

- 9.00 am Rev Christine Gillespie *Holy Communion*
- 10.30 am Rev Christine Gillespie *All Age Celebration Service, including the baptism of Lewis James: refreshments will be served in the Middle Hall after this service, followed by our Harvest Lunch at 12.15 pm*
- 6.30 pm Service led by our Worship Leaders

**We welcome** the family and friends of Lewis James who join us for the main morning 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.

**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.

**Thank you** for your offerings on 30<sup>th</sup> September, which amounted to £693.10.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES from 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> October

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup>

1.00 pm **Funeral of Mary Phillips** – see below

### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>

7.30 pm **Church Council**

### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>

10.00 am **Thursday House Group** meets – see below

### Friday 12<sup>th</sup>

8.10 am **Breakfast Club**

8.30 am **Church open for prayer**

8.45 am **Toast**

7.00 pm **Christmas Fair Meeting** in the Vestry - details below.

### Next Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2018

10.30 am Rev Ann Brown

6.30 pm Rev Ben Clowes

**Sunday School Harvest Festival Quiz TODAY.** Thank you to all who have already supported our fundraising for JMA by buying our Harvest Festival quiz sheet. These will be on sale again after the 10.30 service today - one for adults and one for children, each for £1 per entry and there is a prize for each category. **All entries must be handed to a member of the Sunday School team by the end of the Harvest lunch.** The winners (1 adult and 1 child) will be announced next week.

**The funeral of Mary Phillips** - our oldest member at Woodlands - will take place here on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October at 1.00 pm.** Mary had a long association with this Church, and lived to be 102.

**Thursday House Group** – we start our Autumn session this week, and we will be studying the First Letter of John for five weeks in October and November. Further information from Peter or Linda Phillips on 819009. New members always welcome!

**Christmas Fair.** There will be a meeting at church in the vestry on **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00 pm** for all stallholders and anyone else who is interested in the Christmas Fair to be held on 17th November 2018.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October** at Gracious Street Church, Knaresborough. 10.00 am to 3.30 pm. **“Growing Christian Leaders - models for today’s church from Scripture and early Methodism”.** A Bible Teaching Day with Rev Leslie M Newton (Chair of the Yorkshire North and East District). No charge – donations towards expenses. Further information from Peter Whittaker (01423 861600) or see the poster on the Notice Board in the Main Hall.

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October, at 7 pm. Murder Mystery Evening at Pannal Methodist Church.** The local Historical Society of Witton village is preparing a re-enactment of a proud moment in their village’s history. The re-enactment itself may be more comedy than tragedy; but there is no happy ending! Come and meet Lady Louise Witton and the rest of the characters in "A Cuckoo in the Nest". Tickets are £12 per person inclusive of fish and chip supper (or sausage and chips or vegetarian sausage and chips, if preferred). Tickets are available from Mary Kirk on 01423 879313.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Coffee does not make itself!** If you appreciate coffee or tea after service on Sunday morning, please will **YOU** help to provide this service, even if you can only offer the odd week. Full training will be provided. Please speak to Jackie Spittal, or sign up on the list outside the kitchen.