

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, Chair of the Wales Synod

A reminder to book now (it's FREE) for the **FLOURISH District Weekend in Scarborough** on 18th- 20th October, the aim being to encourage local churches ministry and mission. More details in "Contact". Tickets available on-line from <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/flourish-the-yorkshire-north-east-district-weekend-tickets-55019533907?aff=eac2>

Our 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.

Worship Foundations – an introduction to preparing and leading Worship in the Methodist Church. The two remaining sessions are on **Thursdays 11th & 18th July**, 7.30 - 9pm. If you are thinking about becoming a Worship Leader, or might like help leading local arrangement services, join Andrew Brown and Rev Ann Fox at Bilton Area Methodist Church. For best results you should come to both! *To register: email ann.fox@methodist.org.uk*

Harrogate District Food Bank needs more volunteers! Details on the posters in the vestibule and the Main Hall.

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 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 Ann Fox (881116)
until 31st August 2019

Website:- <https://woodlandsmethodist.church>

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 BEGINNING SUNDAY 7th July, 2019

Our worship services for today

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| 9.00 am | Rev Ann Fox <i>Holy Communion</i>
<i>Breakfast will be served in the Middle Hall after the service.</i> |
| 10.30 am | Celebration Service in the Community Garden
(if fine), led by Sue Ross, with picnic afterwards. |
| 6.30 pm | Mr Mike Greenberg |

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.

Pastoral arrangements for Woodlands

From now until the end of August, the Minister supervising Woodlands is Rev Ann Fox (881116), while for all pastoral matters, please contact Rev Ron Hicks (ron.hicks@methodist.org.uk) or Rev Diane Hicks (both on 391530) or any of the church stewards.

Thank you for your offerings on 30th June, amounting to £652.30

CHURCH ACTIVITIES from 1st – 6th July

Thursday 11th July

10.00 am **Thursday House Group.** See below for details.

Friday 12th July

8.10 am **Breakfast Club**
8.30 am **Church open for prayer**
8.45 am **Toast**

Sunday 14th July 2019

10.30 am Rev Ron Hicks
6.30 pm Rev Gillian Robertson *Holy Communion*

Sunday 7th July 7 – 9 pm GLOW Youth Event at Gracious Street Church.

An evening of Fun, Food and Fellowship for all young people.

Margaret and Ernest Lord wish to thank everyone for their help at last Monday's service for their son-in-law. In their own words, they "were proud to be members of the Church".

Thursday 11th July at 10 am: the **Thursday House Group** will meet at the home of Sue and Neil Ross, to continue a study of "Hope in God's Future", the Methodist Church report on Christian Discipleship in the Context of Climate Change. All welcome! Sue Ross has more details.

Saturday 13th July 10.15-11.30 am. Joan Jones is extending a welcome to all to attend a **coffee morning** at the Community Centre on Mount Street, up Hookstone (where Oatlands Methodist Church used to be), to be held in aid of RNLI Filey. Home-made cake stall, raffle, refreshments, plus a visit by Robbie McKennan from Filey Lifeboats.

Responding to the Gospel - Prayer Handbook 2019/20. Sylvia Fox (01423 889365) is taking orders for the Handbook. It is available in A5 and large print formats at £3.50 provided we order more than 10 and before 31st July, so if you are interested, **please order from Sylvia by 21st July.**

We are pleased to say that we now have a new **Gift Aid Secretary** as Elise Bergh is taking on the role. Chris Reilly will be assisting in the 'hand over', but from now on please contact Elise in the first instance.

Saturday 20th July 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. in the Wesley Centre, Harrogate. Marion, Joan and friends will be serving coffee/tea, cakes, sandwiches etc., and would welcome your support. Proceeds towards our Christmas Fair (i.e. Woodlands church funds). **Please note this will run for a shorter time than previously advertised – only until 1 pm.**

Can you help to give our church premises an extra clean? The church area can be cleaned at any time between 22nd July and 2nd August: the Halls and other areas between 12th & 23rd August (i.e. after the Holiday Club) in every case at a time to suit yourself. A clip board & list will be placed at the top of the corridor - please tick any area you have cleaned. If you need further information then please ring Joan Wood on 884053

David and Daphne Brown are moving home to Cornwall in the week beginning 15th July and have sent a note to say goodbye. "Our thanks to all those friends who have visited or phoned. Alan & Joyce made us very welcome when we came and the group we joined were really good friends. Sadly our health is not so good, so home is where we need to be. Rev Christine was a tremendous support, as has been Barbara Barraclough. We pray that you will continue to expand with all your community work. Many thanks".

Woodlands Summer Club for children aged 5 to 11 will take place on **7th - 9th August** from 10 am until 12.30 pm each day. The co-ordinator is Evelyn Holyland (phone 521734, or e-mail holylandevelyn@gmail.com) who is **now taking bookings** - please pass the details to anyone you know with children or grandchildren who may want to come. We are also looking for: people to pray at home for those involved; the loan of Lego bricks (which we will give back); any empty shoe boxes. To help with any of the above, please contact Linda Phillips.

Pocklington and Market Weighton Circuit are looking for a **Community and Outreach Lay Worker.** See poster in the Main Hall for details.