

Prayer for Today

Merciful God, renew our hearts with the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. May we shine more brightly and share more boldly the treasure of good news through lives of radical generosity, unconditional love, faith filled hope, merciful justice and liberating forgiveness. For your glory, we pray. Amen.

Rev Leslie Newton, Yorkshire North and East District Chair

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.

Sunday School for children and young people aged 4-16 will resume next week. The children normally join the congregation for the first 15 minutes of the service and then go to their own session, but are equally welcome to stay in the main service if they prefer. Also, a crèche is available for children under 4. Please speak to a Steward for further information.

A caretaker is sought by St Andrew's Parish Church, Starbeck: someone to look after the halls who has practical/organisational skills and is sympathetic to the aims of the church: 6 hours per week throughout the year or 8 hours per week in school term time only. Pay £9.00 per hour. Closing date for applications **7th September**, with interviews in the week beginning 9th September. More details/application forms from Judith Coleman : judithcolemanjc@outlook.com or 07870 627618.

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

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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 BEGINNING SUNDAY 1st September, 2019

Our worship services today

10.30 am Rev Moses John *Holy Communion*
Refreshments will be served in the Middle Hall after the service

6.30 pm Mr Martin Lightfoot

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 25th August, amounting to £673.00.

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

Sunday School resumes next week during morning service for children and young people aged 4–16. More information on the back page.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES from 2nd – 7th September

Friday 6th

8.10 am **Breakfast Club. Note change of time**, and see more below

8.30 am **Church open for prayer**

8.45 am **Toast** (see below)

Saturday 7th

6.30 pm – late: **Community Garden Wildlife Night.** Join us for a picnic in the garden and a late night bat walk after dusk!

Sunday 8th September, 2019

10.30 am Rev Peter Whittaker

6.30 pm Rev Moses John

Rev Moses John & family We are of course particularly pleased to welcome Moses, Kim & their children to Woodlands and look forward to getting to know them all.

Rev Michael Jenner We are sorry to announce that Michael died on 26 August at home in Wetherby. His funeral will be held at Woodlands on Tuesday 10 September at 2 pm. Please remember Wendy and all of their family at this difficult time.

Breakfast Club returns to its usual start time of 8.10 during school term. It includes a “pay as you feel” table with any spare food: any items left over will go to Fairfax Community Centre, where they can be collected from 10.00 am each Friday by anybody for free (donations to Harrogate Homeless Project welcomed).

Monday 9th September at 7.30 pm: Monday House Group at the home of Jan Fitzmaurice. The theme is ‘Baked Alaska’: intrigued? Come and join us!

Toast resumes this week and runs every Friday during term from 8.45 to 10 am, for parents and carers on the school run, and anyone else out and about! Tea, toast and chat, pre-school children welcome. Also, this

busy group could do with more help to make hot drinks / toast and chat with our customers. Please speak to Nicola Pollard if you can offer even one Friday morning a month.

On Friday 27th September Toast will hold a Macmillan Coffee morning from 8.45 to 11.30. All welcome: offers of help to Nicola please if you could make coffee or do some baking

Also, Toast could do with a toddler slide and see-saw: if your children have outgrown such an item (and it would fit into our storage space) could you please think about donating it to the group. Thank you.

Woodlands Community Garden Update: Do come and enjoy a quiet walk or sit in the garden. If you fancy a little gardening, join us on a Wednesday 9-10am or the last Sunday of the month 2-4pm, when it’s especially good for families as we fire up the pizza oven!

Saturday 5th October - Harvest meal (bring and share supper): More details to follow.

Sunday 6th October - Harrogate in Bloom awards at 2.15 pm in St Wilfrid's church - see how our garden did, be inspired by other Harrogate projects, and enjoy cake and tea.

Harrogate Food Bank needs more volunteers! For details, please see the posters in the church vestibule and the Main Hall.

Also, a reminder that there is a box for donations of food etc. in the church vestibule. The Food Bank ask particularly for: long-life fruit juice, long-life milk, pasta sauces (but not pasta itself), sponge puddings, sugar, washing-up liquid, shower gel, shaving foam and razors: please **DO NOT** give tea, pulses, jam or toilet rolls, as they have plenty of these.

18th- 20th October: FLOURISH District Weekend in Scarborough. A reminder to book now (it’s FREE, but you do need a ticket): the aim is to encourage local churches in ministry and mission. Tickets are available on-line from <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/flourish-the-yorkshire-north-east-district-weekend-tickets-55019533907?aff=eac2>