### **Circuit Information, Services and Events**

13<sup>th</sup> April, 6pm: Palm Sunday AWE at West Ardsley

**Circuit Meeting:** Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm at Morley Central.

# Circuit Youth:

6.30 – 8pm, for ages 10 – 18 years. £1 subs per person please contact Heidi Curry (or see the Circuit website, <a href="https://www.nkandmcircuit.org.uk/">https://www.nkandmcircuit.org.uk/</a>) for more dates & details.

# Safeguarding:

**CONTACTS:** <u>DSO, Emma Goodley:</u> Tel: 07743 006413, email <u>dso@ywmethodist.org.uk</u> <u>Assistant DSO, Laura Tunnacliffe</u>

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<u>Circuit safeguarding officer, Judith Crowther</u> – tel:

01924 442535 (circuit office), Email: safeguardingnkm@gmail.com

**Foundation Module** training dates are now being planned – publicity will be sent to churches as soon as possible.

Advanced Module training is arranged through District. Follow the link at

https://ywmethodist.org.uk/safeguarding-training/ for more details of online and face to face training.

# **Prayer Quilts:**

Do you know anyone in your church who would benefit from the gift of a Prayer Quilt? Nomination forms are available from <a href="mailto:tingleymc@gmail.com">tingleymc@gmail.com</a>, phone Victoria on 07981557029, or from Resource Centre.

# Staff days off:

Monday – Marian Olsen, Nick Cutts Wednesday - Alex Yesudas Thursday – David Barker

# Website photo challenge

We would love to see what the
Circuit means to you – in
pictures! At the top of our
website home page is a rolling
banner of pictures taken within our
Circuit. We would like to keep the site 'fresh' by
changing these frequently...
See the feature at

https://www.nkandmcircuit.org.uk/whats-on/latest-news.html
and our poster for details of this opportunity to share your photographic skills and showcase what our Circuit means to us.



# North Kirklees & Morley Circuit March 2025

#### From Rev. Nick Cutts:

When was the last time you learnt a new skill? As a child did you learn to play a musical instrument? How many of our parents would ask us if we'd practised today? And of course, we hadn't and then we would try and complete this as quickly as possible. There is the saying practise makes perfect or a better interpretation of this *practise gives* improvement. To hone skills can take a great deal of time - think of the ability of a plasterer or of another trade. In the art of learning another pearl of wisdom is the expression, every day is a school day, indicating that we should continually learn throughout our lives. Many of us may have by possibly taking an adult learning course or maybe our grandchildren have taught us how to use a specific aspect of technology. I completed my A Levels at our local College of Technology and Arts and within the Physics class we had a gentleman who was in his early seventies. He would sit one A' level every two years - for the challenge and the fun!

Contrary to popular belief, I am far from perfect ask Kathryn my wife! We not only learn practical skills or those of an academic discipline, but we learn throughout our life in our relationships with each other. It is through our interactions that our corners and edges can be knocked off if we so allow. For Christians, our most important relationship is with God through Jesus Christ. Charles Wesley wrote in the final verse of the hymn Love divine, all loves excelling of us being changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place. As followers or disciples of Jesus Christ we know that there is more to learn in our journeys and one way we do this is in community where we can share and learn from each other. These groups are intentional, a place where we can grow in our discipleship journey and this is apart from Sunday worship

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Across the Circuit this Lent there will be study groups using material prepared by Marian based on the Methodist Church's Soul Food initiative and I would encourage you to join one of those groups. Everyday we should be learning, being changed, and through this time of Lent we may find that we may wish to continue after Easter, learning and growing in our discipleship journeys together in community. With every blessing,

Nick.

**Cleckheaton: Friday coffee** every week 10 - 11:30am. **Meeting Place** - Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup> 11am - 2pm - food, chat, jigsaw, table tennis and activities for kids

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**St. Andrew's Liversedge: Café** every Monday from 10am until 2pm, followed by **knit & natter** (2-4pm)-everyone welcome. Also on Mondays: **MAGIC group** (Movement And Games In Chairs), 11-11.30am. **First Friday Film Night:** 7<sup>th</sup> February, 'Swimming with Men' 7<sup>th</sup> March, 'Bank of Dave' Refreshments will be provided at no cost but a donation to charity would be gratefully appreciated.

Westborough: Mondays 10am – 12noon, painting class; Tuesdays 7.30 – 9.30pm, craft group; Wednesdays 10am, wellness class (chat-yoga-drink) 1.30-3.30pm Drawing class. Coffee morning: First Friday of each month, 10.30 till 12, warm friendly space and all are welcome, no charge for refreshments.

Batley: Care & Drop in, Mondays- 10am -12noon. Friday Coffee Morning 9.30am to 11.30am in the Brimer Hall £1.50 for drink and biscuits. Refill 50p. Sun 23 March gift day. Lent groups: March 12, 19, 26, 27; April 3, 9, 10, 16, 17 in house groups. Please contact Keith Webster for more details if you are interested in joining any of the house groups. Ladies Circle Cream Tea on Saturday 19 April at 2pm. Admission by ticket only £10 from Resource Centre. Sing a long with Kathie Ryan.

Longcauseway: The Repair Cafe on the last Saturday of every month in The 3 Strand Cafe 10am to 12.30pm. Tuesday Tonic's In Stitches, 10.30am-12.30pm. The 3 Strand Cafe every Wednesday 9am to 1pm and Saturdays 9.45am to 11.45am. Come and see our new recycling hub and drop off your used blister packs!

#### At the Circuit Resource Centre....

The Circuit Resource Centre,
Batley Methodist Church
Commercial Street
Batley WF17 5DS
01924 442535, email address:
nkmresources@gmail.com



# **Resource Centre opening times:**

Monday – Wednesday 9am – 1pm, Thursdays and Fridays 9am – 1.30pm

Apart from: March: closed on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> (NB, change from previous information)

St. Andrew's Mirfield: Community Coffee Mornings on Friday 7th/21st March 10am - 11.30am: join us for a chat and cuppa. Baby & Toddler Group meets weekly, Friday 9.30am – 11am. All parents, grandparents and carers with children from birth to pre-school very welcome (Aunty Pam's baby weigh clinic will also be there on 14th/28th March). Please view St Andrews f/b page for further information.

**Trinity Mirfield: Soup lunches** 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 11:45am to 12:45 donation in excess of £3.50 appreciated. The two teams look forward to seeing you. **Warm Welcome Café:** Fridays, 10-11.30am. Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March: **Pancake Lunch** 12.30-1.30pm Sweet & savoury fillings, £2 per pancake – held downstairs in the schoolroom.

Morley: Craft, Chat & Sing – Saturday 15 March at new time of 10.30 am. Everyone welcome. Together on Tuesday Group at 7.30 pm, 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> March – various speakers. Lunch Club – each Wednesday (except 1<sup>st</sup> of the month) – Please contact Lynne on 07792 996805 for further information. Coffee Mornings: every Friday – 10-11.30 am. Grief Café – 10–12 noon on Saturday 29 March.

West Ardsley: Tuesday Chat & Crafts - Every Tuesday, 2 - 4pm. Mosaic Café every Wednesday, 11am -1:30pm 'A space to just be'. Serving drinks, light lunches & cakes. Messy Church: second Thursday of every month. Doors open at 3:30pm to start promptly at 4pm. A light meal is provided and children must be supervised by an adult. Food Pantry - Every Friday, 3 - 4:30pm - Food available for anyone going through financial difficulty. No referral needed. Coffee **Morning** – last Saturday of every month, this month: 10.00am- 12 noon hosted by Stephen & Angela. Proceeds in aid of Papyrus (young suicide prevention charity) and the Archie Matthew's Trust. Date for your Diary - Saturday 8th March, 2pm - Fashion Show Fund Raiser - presented by the Complete Clothing Company. £5 a ticket, which includes entry, refreshments, cake and entry into the prize draw. For further details on any events please email admin@westardsleychurch.org.uk

**Tingley:** Saturday 1<sup>st</sup>: **Friends Café** 1 pm to 2.30 pm We are looking forward to seeing you all at Friends Café this month. Monday 10<sup>th</sup>: **The Soup Bowl** 12 noon to 1.30 pm Join us for soup, sandwiches, hot drinks and a snack. Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>: **Coffee Morning** 10 am to 12 noon Our Bowls Group will be hosting the morning. Come along and join us. There will be a cake stall, raffle and Easter stall. Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>: **Be Still** 7pm A return of our monthly midweek service of quiet reflection. Continuing on the third Wednesday of each month. Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>: **Film Night** 7.30 pm We will be showing 'Wonka' PG 2023, starring Timothée Chalamet. This is based on the character at the centre of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and his early life. Everyone is welcome to all of these events.

Birkenshaw and East Bierley: Monday: 9am Fresh Art Takeaway (Second Monday in Month - booking required), 1pm Art Class, 6-30pm Brownies. Tuesday: 11am Sit and be Fit with Prinadi - chair exercises + tea and biscuits afterwards with fun and fellowship, 2pm, Yorkshire Tutors 4-6pm, Art Class, 7pm Pilates Class. Wednesday: 10am Fellowship Group + Refreshments (First in Month), 12pm Leisure Inclusive Day Care. Thursday: 12pm Leisure Inclusive Day Care (Dementia). Friday: 10am "Welcome In" Coffee Morning.

**Birstall**: **Coffee morning** each Thursday 9:30 – 11am, with bric-a-brac and book stall, offering a Warm Space in the coming months **Light Lunch**: Thursday 6th March 12:00 - 1:00 Jacket potato with a choice of fillings followed by rice pudding or home-made cake Suggested donation £4:50 **Baby and Toddler Stay and Play** Fridays 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>, 9:30 - 11:00am. All parents, grandparents and carers welcome. Refreshments, no charge. **Fellowship group** Mondays 3<sup>rd</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>, 2 – 3.30pm: a time for sharing, Bible study and prayer. All welcome.

**Drighlington:** Foodbank: Mondays 12noon – 1.30pm; Coffee Pot Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9.30-11.30am; Wednesday Girls Brigade 6.30 - 8.30pm. Thursdays Free IT training 10 - 1pm; Thursdays You're never too old (YNTO) 1 - 3 pm; Fridays Memory Cafe - please check with Trevor Martin for times 07871577891. 8<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm: Anniversary Concert featuring the Band of the West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service, tickets £10 from Coffee Pot.

**Gomersal: Coffee Morning** 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month, 10 -11.30am

#### **Dates and Deadlines**

April 2025 deadline: 10am, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025 Email & printed copies ready by: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Please let Resource Centre know if your church would like more or less copies, or if you would like to be added to or removed from the emailing list. Copies can be posted to churches on request – we will need to charge p&p.

# Several of our churches are looking at the Eco Church awards ...prayers from A Rocha

(https://arocha.org.uk/)

As the UN's World Wildlife Day is celebrated on 3 March, please pray for its theme; Wildlife Conservation Finance: Investing in People and Planet. Pray that those with the power to unlock finances that can restore and protect nature, will be convicted to work for change.



God, we thank you for the awakening of your church to care for your precious creation. We pray for the 8000+ churches who have either achieved Eco Church awards or who are working towards one, that you would encourage them afresh today to continue working to take sustainable and just actions for people and planet. May each church be a beacon of hope in their own communities of your love for a hurting world, for both human and non-human creation.

# Around the Circuit – good news to share



# **Tingley – Little Free Library**

LLFL is a growing network of beautifully painted book exchanges across our city and Tingley are the first installation of 2025, designed by Artistic Director Jacky Fleming



# Have you seen our new website yet?

https://www.nkandmcircuit.org.ukCheck out the new calendar – let us know if you would like your church events adding to this. Find those dates when nothing is planned yet and avoid clashes!