

Circuit

Events and more

- Sunday 3rd July, 6pm at Cleckheaton:
Alternative Worship Experience service
- Friday 8th July, 2pm **MWiB Summer event** - see poster for details

Special Services:

- Sunday 24th July at Morley Central Methodist Church - **Leaving service for Rev. Nigel:** 4pm for a picnic (please bring your own), service will begin at 6pm. The offering at this service will be for Myeloma UK.
- Sunday 4th September, 10.30am at Batley Central Methodist Church **Welcome service for Rev. David Barker**
- Sunday 11th September, 2.30pm at Gildersome: **Service of Celebration for the witness and mission of Gildersome Methodist Church**

Dates and Deadlines

September deadline: 10am, Thursday 25th August 2022
Email & printed copies ready on: **Wednesday 31st August**

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.

SAFEGUARDING: Upcoming training sessions:

Foundation module: the next sessions will be planned from September. If someone needs training before this, please contact Judith Crowther at Resource Centre.

Advanced module: if you need to do this training, please contact Susan Wishart, one of our District safeguarding officers: 07875 195977, wisharts@dso.methodist.org.uk

Church safeguarding officers: meeting at Trinity Methodist Church, 2pm on Tuesday 12th July.

Staff days off:

Monday – Nick Cutts, Marian Olsen, Al Henry

Thursday – David Barker

Alex Yesudas - on Sabbatical June, July, August



July & August 2022

North Kirklees & Morley Circuit

From Rev. Nigel:

So much has changed since I arrived in the circuit not quite five years ago. Kim and I had no contemplation that she would be so unwell when the match with the circuit was made. We had no idea how long she would have – any time between not very long and up to twelve years seemed to be the best guess. We also had no idea, as none of us did, that the world would be under a pandemic. Others have been lost to the life of the church and many of our families. The circuit has fewer churches than when I arrived and our return from covid restrictions has been challenging to say the least for all that continue. Change for all of us is unavoidable.

5 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Romans 5:1-5 (NRSV)

The two things that I notice about the movement of the words that are underlined is that when you say them out loud they have a cadence, a rhythm – and that the progression through suffering to hope speaks so much about how life is experienced. Change is unavoidable but we should embrace the opportunities it presents us with as well as be thankful (boast) for the struggles we have moved on from and move forward with.

For Lucy and I that means a new beginning in Llandudno, which in turn for the churches in Llandudno means meeting within change we will all encounter together. For North Kirklees & Morley it means a new superintendent and a new presbyter in Marion and

David, as they encounter change both for themselves and with the circuit and churches

May we all not be disappointed in the hope that we find as it is poured out into our hearts by the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Tek care

Nigel



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Batley: Afternoon tea with concert, (in the Brimer Hall) Saturday 9th July, 2pm £7.50 Tickets from Resource Centre and from Margaret Ashworth (01924 474041) Limited tickets, must be booked by 3rd July

Birstall: Coffee morning: Thursdays, 9.30-11am. Table service, please wear masks when not seated. **Please note, Baby and toddler sessions will be temporarily closed after 27th May, to resume again in September.**

Birkenshaw and East Bierley: Coffee Morning on Friday mornings 10am to noon.

Cleckheaton: Friday Coffee Mornings 10 to 11.30 am.

Drighlington: Regular events: Food Bank: Mondays 11.00am – 3.00pm, **Coffee mornings:** Tuesday and Wednesdays 9.30-11.30am. **Girls Brigade:** Wednesdays 6.00pm – 8.30pm during term time, **Drighlington Digital:** Thursdays 10.00am -1.00pm, **YNTO (You're never too old):** Thursdays 1.00p -3.00pm, **Memory Café:** Fridays from 11.00am.

Saturday 30th July - **Coffee morning**, 10am – noon. Come and enjoy scones with strawberries and cream. Plus **cake baking competition** - Class 1: Victoria Sandwich cake. Class 2: (Age 14 and under only) Plate of 6 buns. Entries to be submitted on the day 10-10.30. Judging to take place 11.15. Prizes for 1st and 2nd in each class. All cakes to be sold in aid of Church Building Fund. Saturday 13th August - save the date - **New to you sale and uniform exchange.** Details to follow.

Hanging Heaton: Scottish Dancing, Tuesdays at 2.00 pm from 1 February 2022 (Primary Building, Kirkgate, Hanging Heaton) Contact details: <http://www.dewsbury-district3age.co.uk> Email. thirdage@dewsbury-district3age.co.uk Tel. Sandra Bligh: 07842 284778 (Chairman)

Gomersal: Coffee morning every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month 10-11am.

Tingley: Coffee Morning Saturday 16th July 10 am to 12 noon.

At the Circuit Resource Centre....

Our contact details:

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Our Summer opening hours are quite varied – apologies for any confusion...

Friday 1st July - open as normal

Monday 4th - Thursday 7th July - open as normal

Friday 8th - closed

Monday 11th - Friday 15th - Open as normal

Monday 18th - closed

Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th - open as normal

Thursday 21st - closed

Friday 22nd - open as normal

Monday 25th - Friday 29th - closed

August - back to normal - Monday – Friday 9am – 1pm (closed Bank Holidays) – *please check before visiting as we may have to close at short notice.* If you come to

Resource Centre and the door is locked – please knock, and give us time to get to the door!

Does anyone your church read braille? We have a small number of Braille books (including some Eddie Askew books) available to borrow.

St. Andrew's Mirfield: Community Coffee mornings:

Friday 1st & Saturday 16th July, Friday 5th & Saturday 20th

August, all at 10am. All welcome. Picnic in the Park: All Age Activity on 16 July in the afternoon. Further details will be shared here: <https://www.facebook.com/St-Andrews-Methodist-Church-Mirfield-110706921446581>.

Saturday 2nd July, 7.30pm **Mirfield Choral Summer Concert** – tickets £10, including cream tea – see poster for details, or contact mirfieldchoral@gmail.com

Newlands Methodist Mission
Newlands **Community Cafe**, every Friday from 10am-12noon, see poster

Trinity Mirfield: Soup lunches first and third

Wednesday in July, (*not in August*) 11:45am to 12:45 pm. The two teams look forward to seeing you. **Coffee Morning** Fridays, 10-11.30am. **Beetle Drive and Supper** Friday 15th July 7pm, £6. To book please contact Christine Sykes on 01924 497612 or 07706738463

Longcauseway: "Weekly Wellbeing" Sessions include- **Tuesday Tonic** 10.30-12.30 *In Stitches- Chat and Create & Praybake.* **Wellbeing Wednesday** 1.30-3.30pm 1st Weds, *Messy Vintage*, 2nd Weds, *Chair-a-cise*, 3rd Weds, *Scottish Dancing/ Table Top Games*, 4th Weds, *Cues, Bats and Balls*, 5th Weds, *A Pot Pourri of Praise.* £ 3.50 per activity. To book a place email churchsecretarylcw@outlook.com or tel: 07591582848

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Morley: Coffee Mornings Fridays 10 -11.30am. **Messy Church** 3rd Sunday of each Month 3.30pm **Craft Chat and Sing** Monthly 11am – 12noon, third Saturday of each month.

West Ardsley: Tuesday Chat & Crafts - Every Tuesday, 2 - 4pm. **Messy Church** - Second Thursday of every month *other than August* - doors open 3.30pm starts at 4pm prompt. **Food Pantry** - Every Friday, 3 - 4:30pm - Food available for anyone going through financial difficulty. No referral needed. West Ardsley Methodist Church is holding a public consultation on **Friday 8th July - 4pm - 8pm** displaying proposals for a new West Ardsley Methodist Community Church. This will form part of a joint Outline Planning Application for a Zero Carbon housing and community church scheme located off Batley Road. The development will be unique as the electricity will be generated solely from the local Solar Farm which already provides electrical power to the Coca-cola plant on the Junction 41 Industrial Estate, Wakefield.

Westborough: Thankyou to everyone who has donated previously to the projects below-

The school holiday breakfast box scheme at Westborough would like to appeal urgently for any donations of tinned and dry goods such as cereals, rice, pasta, juice, tea, coffee, baked beans, tinned meats and fish etc.

Ukraine donations:- Donations of pet food, sanitary items, personal hygiene items, nappies etc. are still welcome. Clothing is no longer taken at present. We are there to accept donations on Mondays am when the members of the painting group meet, Weds pm when the drawing group meet and Thursday pm when the hobbies group meet, new members are always welcome, please call in via the side entrance.

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Good news from...Rev. Wendy Kilworth-Mason

*Should anyone in NKandM still recall me, I'd like to report that my long period of waiting is drawing to a close: I now have an entry visa and, following the final inoculation against Japanese Encephalitis (not something for which I ever had to be vaccinated when going to Africa) I have a flight booked for 25th July. I shall be joining the teaching staff of the **Theological College of Lanka, Nandana Uyana, Pilimathalawa, 20450, Sri Lanka.** website:www.tcl.lk. You may be aware that the political situation in Sri Lanka is fragile, the economy is in freefall and there has been an appeal for our support that was included in Methodist News a week or 2 ago. So, I'm not expecting this to be an easy placement.*

I would welcome your thoughts and prayers at this time.