



Menston

Coffee Morning

Saturday 6th February
10:00am to 12:00noon
Main Hall
£1 entry to include coffee and biscuits

Jumble Sale

Saturday 13th February
Main Hall at 2:00pm
Please bring jumble to the Church Hall in the morning

Afternoon Friendship Group
(fortnightly on Fridays at 2:00pm)
£1 per meeting

Friday 5th February
(Bring & share your craft skills)

Friday 19 February
(Film afternoon – film to be announced)

Friday 4 March (Rural Mission – Brenda Greetham)

MHA HOST A DAY EXPLORING SPIRITUALITY

Focussing on the Spiritual Needs of Older People

Saturday 12th March 2016 at
Guiseley Methodist Church
10:00am - 3:00pm

Contact Deacon Liz
Day for more details



Circuit News

I am happy to be able to tell you that we will have a Probationer Presbyterian starting in the Circuit in September.

She is Vicky Atkins, and is the wife of Rev Andrew Atkins who is currently half time Presbyterian/half time Chaplain in the Aireborough partnership.

Vicky will be living in the Guiseley Manse but will be working alongside Rev Tim Perkins in Addingham / Burley / Menston partnership.

We all look forward to meeting and getting to know Vicky in due course.

Julie Hipkin
Senior Circuit Steward

Guiseley

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the opening of the present church at Guiseley and this will be celebrated there at 10:30am on Sunday March 13th.

Change of Name!

At a recent meeting of 'Messy Church' helpers, it was decided to change the name to "Come and Be.....together".

Sessions are now planned throughout 2016 and will be every two months. The format will be similar: as before, there will be crafts and worship, fun and food, with time to talk to families, both the children and the adults. Your prayers for this continuing work with young families are very much appreciated and we'd love to

Viewpoint is your new, monthly look ahead to see what is happening across the circuit.

If you have special services, fundraising events, social gatherings coming up, or perhaps you have news that you'd like to share, please let us know!

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see you at any of the sessions.
Please feel free to "Come and Be.....together"!

Next Date:
7th February 3:00 to 5:00pm
Praise, Pancakes and party!

Christchurch Ilkley

Rev Rob Hilton Sabbatical 2016

This will be my third sabbatical in 24 years of ministry. For my first I studied and visited Celtic Christianity, for my second I got out of church and explored the Economy and Media, this time I'm reflecting on Shepherd ministry and building a Shepherd's Hut in the garden - a prayer shed on wheels, if you like!

I'm always happy to visit and give illustrated talks to groups, by July I'll have three Sabbatical talks to offer!



If anyone has experience of DIY skills including working with wood - joists and joints, welding a chassis, or fitting a small wood burning stove and chimney I might welcome your expertise. Similarly, if anyone has scrap wood joists, lengths of timber, cladding, or flooring they really need to get rid of, give me a ring and I'll happily try and incorporate it into what will be a tight budget project! Or, if there are shepherding farmers in the rural parts of the Circuit who wouldn't mind a visit, I'd love to hear.

Then one day, a hut might be available for prayer times, overnight accommodation, or cream teas!

I'll be away from Circuit duties from 13th March to 19th June.

God bless, Rob

Yeadon & Guiseley

Lent groups at:

Yeadon (Mondays at 2:00pm) and

Guiseley (Mondays at 7:30pm)

...will start on the 8th of February for six Mondays.

Contact Rev Gillian Houghton for more details



What it means to be human - A series of conversations

18th February - Sabir Zazai,

Director of the Coventry Migrant and Refugee Centre

Sabir was a refugee from Afghanistan and now champions the cause of refugees from around the world.

25th February – Alex Jones, Christian Aid

Alex was youth co-ordinator for Christian Aid in Yorkshire and is now Deputy Head for the Eastside of England.

3rd March – Susan Howdle, (former Vice President of the Methodist Conference) Governor of Oxford

Brookes University,

Susan has been a lecturer in Law at Bristol and Sheffield Universities.

10th March - Professor Peter Howdle, (former Vice President of the Methodist Conference) Consultant Gastroenterologist, St.James's, University of Leeds

As well as being a retired professor of Medicine, Peter has chaired a number of NICE Guideline Development Groups

17th March - Kevin Warnes, Green councillor and teacher

Kevin is the Green Party councillor on Bradford Council and teaches Politics and History at Notre Dame Sixth Form College, Leeds.

Thursday evenings, 7.30pm at the Queen's Hall, Main St, Burley in Wharfedale

Refreshments will be provided

These events are being sponsored by Churches Together in Burley and Menston, they would be delighted to welcome friends from around the circuit. There will be a small entrance charge to help us cover costs

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To publicise your forthcoming events within the next issue of Viewpoint, email details to Mike Fawcett at :

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District News

It was confirmed at the representative session of the Leeds Methodist District Synod on 15 December 2015 that Revd Stephen Burgess, Chair of the York and Hull District, has also been appointed as Chair of the Leeds District from January to August 2016.

Synod also voted to approve Revd Anne Brown (currently Chair of the Bedfordshire, Essex and Hertfordshire District) for immediate stationing by Conference as the Chair of the Leeds District for one year from 1st September 2016.

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