

Dear Friends,

During Lent the Methodist charity 'All We Can' invites us to consider what each of us can do to change the climate story. Their Lent booklet includes this story:



“What’s the difference between a flute and a stick in the mud?” our priest asked on Sunday. He then went on, “The stick in the mud is full of itself. The flute has been emptied of itself so it can make music.”

That seems to me to be a very good question to ask ourselves during Lent: What can I do to empty myself so as to make music?

With the current storms and floods, preceded by bush fires in Australia and passionate debate about a 3rd runway at Heathrow, climate change is very much on the agenda. 'All We Can' point out that it's the world's poorest people who are hit hardest by climate change.

The things we can do might seem insignificant but they are vital. In Bramhope, shared Methodist/Anglican Lent groups will be studying these issues and coming up with ways in which we can act. I'm looking forward to seeing what ideas come from these discussions.

There is a danger that talk of climate change can make us feel guilty or depressed. The priest's story encourages us not to be stuck in the mud! Doing the right thing – however small – is beautiful.

As you travel through Lent and towards Easter, imagine beautiful music filling the earth and the heavens. God needs you to be a flute and not a stick in the mud!

Roger.

## It's Curling time !

An afternoon of **CURLING** with light refreshments is being planned for Saturday March 21st 2020 in The Hardwick Hall from 2.15 p.m. - 4 p.m. for any members of our church families and their friends.

The first part of the afternoon will provide an opportunity for everyone to practise Curling before teams are formed for a friendly knockout competition to find the YMC CURLING CHAMPIONS FOR 2020 ! The charge for this popular entertainment is £1 for adults and 50p for children.

On **Saturday 28th March** from 10-4 we are hosting a study day led by Rev Neil Richardson. All are welcome. Booking details opposite & in vestibule.

I am looking for volunteers to help with refreshments on arrival and at lunch time. Anyone willing to help - please let me know. Pauline Tate.



The Communion Table flowers for today have been kindly provided by **Joyce Doyle ... in memory of Douglas Doyle.**

A big thank You to everyone for the generous donations for the Toy Service and Food Bank before Christmas and more recently at the Tin Service for St Georges Crypt.



Arja from the Crypt was delighted with our generosity and our continuing support. It's very valued. As well as the tinned food, gifts of toiletries (particularly the small sample size bottles provided in hotels) & soap powder are very welcome - useful information for next year !

The Crypt has 3 Charity Shops in the Leeds area: Roundhay, Pudsey and Armley. The one in Armley has a cafe which is open to the public.

Members of Knit Knax are going to continue knitting blanket squares to make blankets to donate to the Crypt. We also knit blankets for the Premature Baby Unit in Leeds. Donations of double knitting wool are welcome to support this. (or you can join us and knit too !). Thanks again everyone.

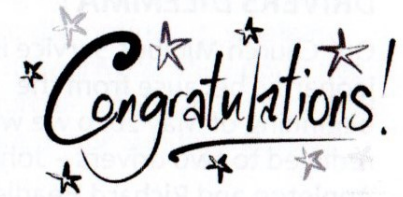
Paul Fuller would like to “thank all those who have sent Get Well messages and inquired on my progress after my recent Heart operation. Also for your prayers and flowers; it has been much appreciated. I am pleased to say I am making steady progress. Thank you.”

**Did you know ?** When you boil a funny bone, you get a laughing stock.

## Anniversaries in March ..

Love & Congratulations to

- ★ Marjory & Doug Heigold, celebrating 58 years marriage on the 10th
- ★ Rosemary & Max Armitage, celebrating 53 years on the 15th, and
- ★ Joyce & Geoff Eastwood who will celebrate their 66th anniversary on the 27th



The **Methodist Church**  
North Kirkstee & Morley Circuit  
CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH, BATLEY. WF17 5DS

**DAFFODIL RALLY**  
**TUESDAY 3 MARCH 2020**  
at 2.00 pm  
Speaker – The Rev Paul Wilson (Liverpool)  
Leader – Mr John Wilson (Mirfield)  
Heckmondwike Grammar School Senior Girls' Chamber Choir  
Organist – Mr Keith Webster

Tea and biscuits will be served after the service

NORWOOD CHAPEL AND RETREAT CENTRE  
Quiet Day

Gardens in the Bible  
Eden to Paradise via Gethsemane & Calvary  
led by Revd Cayte Norman

SATURDAY 4<sup>th</sup> April  
10am – 3.30pm

Bring your own lunch; drinks provided  
Donation on the day  
Book at [caytenorman@aol.com](mailto:caytenorman@aol.com) 0113 2160901

ALL WELCOME!

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## DRIVERS DILEMMA !

Our Church Minibus Service is in jeopardy, because from the beginning of May 2020 we will be reduced to two drivers – John Appleton and Richard Headley, and because of work commitments Richard is not able to offer as many Sundays in the future. The reason for this dilemma is because AVSED (*from whom we hire the Minibus each week*) cannot insure drivers once they reach the age of 75.



We have been very fortunate indeed to have the services of Kim Broadhead as one of our drivers, and Kim has helped us for several years and certainly “gone the extra mile” on more than one occasion. Kim reaches retirement age very soon and sadly will have to stop driving for us. We shall miss his cheerful sense of humour and his willingness to go out of his way to be helpful. We thank him for all he has done to help us and wish him a very happy three quarters of a century. We are pleased that we shall not lose touch with him because he and his wife Sharon are regular customers at Friday’s Coffee Shop.

**PLEASE does anyone know of someone of the right age who might help us by acting as a Minibus driver on a Sunday morning ?**

The job involves collecting the Minibus from the Convent on Cemetery Road at 9.30 a.m. and, accompanied by an escort, driving round to pick up about 10 – 12 people to get them to Church for the start of the service at 10.30 a.m. The return journey takes about an hour and passengers leave Church at about 11.45 a.m. after enjoying refreshments and a chat after the service. If we can find more than one person to help us, drivers may only need to do one Sunday every five or six weeks.

The Minibus Service has been running for over 10 years, and it would be a great shame if we have to discontinue it, so please think hard and try to help us to find new drivers. They don’t need to be Church members or attend Church – although we would be very happy to welcome them to share in our Sunday morning service.

This year’s **Dr Marshall Quiz**, entitled ‘Double Trouble’ is now available for a minimum fee of £1. All proceeds go to help ‘Open Arms Malawi’. Please see Marjorie Emsley if you would like to purchase a copy or copies to help keep your brain active over the Christmas period. The closing date for returning entries is Saturday April 18th 2020.

Our worship during Lent will be enriched this year by the **Wesley Singers** leading an evening service at 6pm on Passion Sunday 29th March, by singing ‘Olivet to Calvary’ by JH Maunder.

The Wesley Singers is a choir of about 38 members who come from various churches within the Yorkshire West Methodist District. The group was formed in 1985 under the direction of David Carr, specifically to introduce the new hymn book, Hymns and Psalms.

Now, more than 30 years later, under the leadership of Barry Jordan, the choir gives 10 or more concerts each year, as well as taking part in worship services. They recently sang at Ripon Cathedral. Please book the date.

**Guiseley Methodist Church**  
**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020**  
at 6pm  
An Evening Service including a Performance of  
**Olivet to Calvary**  
by  
**J H Maunder**  
with  
Howard Clinkard Tenor  
Dominic Rose Baritone  
David Wilks Organ  
Barry Jordan Conductor  
**The Wesley Singers and Friends**  
Service led by Rev Roger Smith

## MARCH DIARY

1st	10.30am	Parade: Rev Roger Smith No Evening Service
2nd	9.30am 7.30pm	Tadpoles Toddler Group Church Council
3rd	2.15pm 2.15pm 6pm	Knit Knax Womens Fellowship - Fred King Rainboat
4th	9.30am 9.30am	Tadpoles Toddler Group Walking Group
6th	9.45am	Coffee Shop & Listening Service
8th	10.30am 6pm	Rev Cayte Norman - Holy Communion Circuit Service at Menston
9th	9.30am	Tadpoles Toddler Group
10th	2.15pm 2.15pm 6.00pm	Knit Knax Womens Fellowship - Lindsay Hurst Rainboat
11th	9.30am	Tadpoles Toddler Group ( <i>last one before half-term</i> )
12th	10.30am 7.30pm	Residential Home Service at Suffolk Court BETA Group
13th	9.45am	Coffee Shop & Listening Service
15th	10.30am 6pm	Chapel Anniversary - Pauline Wright United Service at Guiseley
16th	9.30am	Tadpoles Toddler Group
17th	12.15pm 2.15pm	Womens Fellowship - Spring Lunch at Wharfedale View Knit Knax
18th	9.30am 9.30am	Tadpoles Toddler Group Walking Group

## MARCH DIARY (cont)

19th	7.30pm	Pastoral Committee
20th	9.30am 9.45am	Friday Prayers Coffee Shop & Listening Service
22nd	10.30am	Rev Roger Smith No Evening Service
23rd	9.30am	Tadpoles Toddler Group
24th	2.15pm 2.15pm 6pm	Knit Knax Womens Fellowship - Pauline Tate Rainboat
25th	9.30am	Tadpoles Toddler Group
27th	9.45am	Coffee Shop & Listening Service
29th	10.30am	Deacon Jenny Parnell No Evening Service
30th	9.30am	Tadpoles Toddler Group
31st	2.15pm 2.15pm 6pm	Knit Knax Womens Fellowship - Tom (Keyboard/Singalong) Rainboat

**Chapel Anniversary** this year is in a fortnight's time on 15th March & we look forward to welcoming back Pauline Wright (& her husband, Martin) to lead this service of celebration. We hope by then that the weather will have improved & that everyone will "turn out" to greet them.

Pauline was a great blessing & encouragement to this Church Family when she served as our Church Family Worker & as a Local Preacher. Our Anniversary Service is the perfect opportunity to share with her again.

## World Day of Prayer

2020 is to be held at our church, on Friday March 6th, at 2pm. Posters will appear nearer the date, and all are welcome.

Additionally, there is to be a choir at the service, under Julie Boocock. Julie will be holding rehearsals at Guiseley Methodist Church on February 19th, and 26th, at 2pm and all singers are invited.



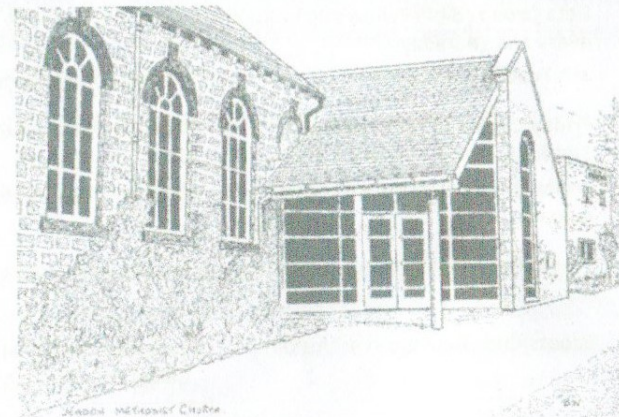
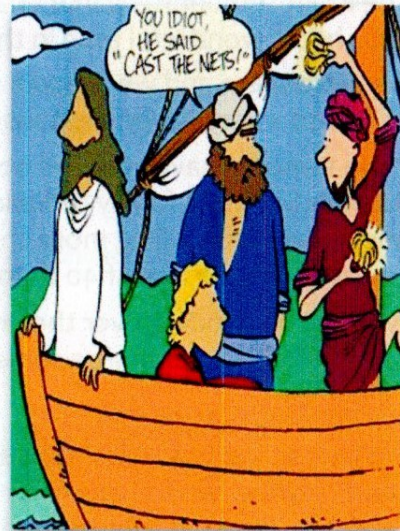
## Action for Children

It is time for Action For Children boxes to be emptied, so please let me have your box by the end of February if possible. Some people don't have a box but make an annual donation at this time. Such donations will be gratefully received to help vulnerable children and their families.

THANK YOU for your support for this very worthy cause.

Marjorie Emsley (Action For Children Representative)

Aireborough Historical Society  
invites you to enjoy its nineteenth  
**"CHIT CHAT"**  
on  
**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February**  
at  
**Yeadon Methodist Church Hall**  
(next to the Town Hall)  
**2:00pm to 4:00pm**  
admission free  
(come and go as you like)  
Refreshments available  
with photos of Old Aireborough  
over 100 photos projected in large format for you to see  
**Everyone is Welcome**



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