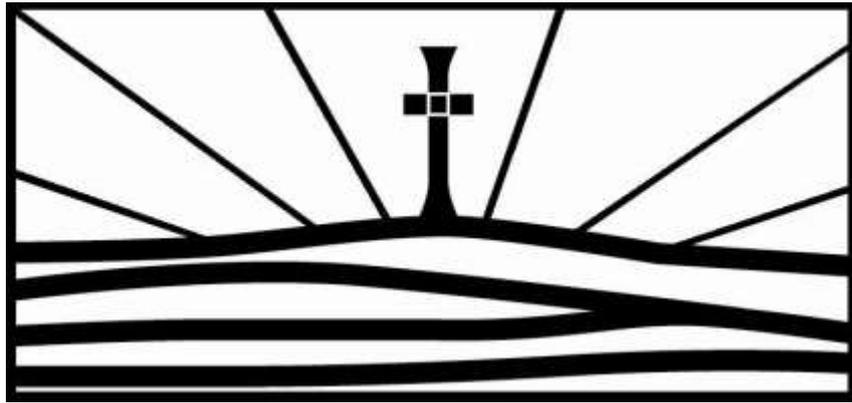
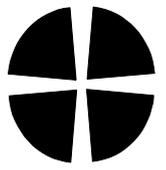


Guiseley Methodist Church



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Newsletter

**August
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Sunday Worship

August Services

	Morning 10.30 am	Evening 6 pm
4 th	Deacon Jenny Parnell	United Service at Yeadon
11 th	Mr David Tate	Mr Roland Henney
18 th	Rev Cayte Norman	United Service at Yeadon
25 th	Rev Roger Smith	No evening service

September Services

	Morning 10.30 am	Evening 6 pm
1 st	Mrs Lyndsey Hurst St. Paul's letters series – <i>Theme for September</i> "Being in Christ" no. 1	No evening service
8 th	Rev Roger Smith "Being in Christ" no. 2 Annual Covenant Service	No evening service
15 th	Rev Alistair Newton "Being in Christ" no. 3	No evening service
22 nd	Rev Roger Smith "Being in Christ" no.4	No evening service
29 th	Deacon Jenny Parnell "Being in Christ" no. 5	No evening service



July

Sun 28th

6 pm

Farewell Service for Rev Vicky Atkins
at Ben Rhydding Methodist Church
Preacher: Rev Gillian Houghton

August

Sun 4th

2.30 pm

Primrose Court Service led by
Tuesday Fellowship

Thur 22nd

7 pm

District Welcome Service at
Christchurch, Ilkley for new Chair of
Yorkshire West District,
Rev Kerry W Tankard

Mon 26th

10 –
4 pm

Bank Holiday Refreshments at Norwood

Monday

mornings

9.30 –
11.30 am

Sew and Tell will continue throughout
August, probably with the exception of
the Bank Holiday on 26th.



September

Sun 1 st	2.30 pm	Service at Primrose Court led by Choir
Tue 3 rd	9.30 am	Tuesday Prayers recommences
Weds 4 th	7 pm	Circuit Welcome at Ben Rhydding for Rev Shannon DeLaureal. Preacher: Rev Kerry Tankard
Tue 10 th	2.15 pm	Tuesday Fellowship recommences Speaker: Deacon Jenny Parnell
Thu 12 th	10.30 am - 3.30 pm	Circuit Quiet Day at Norwood led by Deacon Jenny Parnell "Holy Mystery"
Thu 12 th	7.30 pm	Aireborough Historical Society Talk by Robert Soper: "Antiques and the Stateley Homes"
Thu 19 th	12.30 pm	District Methodist Women in Britain Celebration Service at West Wakefield Methodist Church
Sat 21 st	10.30 am - 12 pm	Autumn Special Church Clean Everybody welcome
Tues 24 th	2.15 pm	Tuesday Fellowship, Speaker Mrs Leni Busfield – Music with ocarinas
Sun 29 th		Christian Aid Sponsored Walk

MINISTER'S LETTER



ALL ARE ALIKE

This is not a test, but I'll begin with 3 questions:

Q.1. Do you want to be treated as a second-class citizen?

Q.2. Should anyone be treated as a second-class citizen?

Q.3. Are some people treated as second-class citizens?

I guess everyone would answer 'no' to the first question and most people would also say 'no' to the second one, but when we look at the world around us, we'd have to say 'yes' to Q.3.

It's a sad fact that some people are treated very badly indeed. There was a story in the news recently about a criminal gang convicted for trafficking people from Poland to the UK, making them work long hours for little pay, living in squalid conditions. Meanwhile the traffickers were living in luxury. It's called modern-day slavery and it's shocking that it's happening around us.

But in God's way of things, there are no second-class citizens. That's good news and it's the message St. Paul proclaims in his letter to the Romans. He's talking about Jews and gentiles, but the message is the same when he says 'all are alike'. It's not one group first and another second – all are one in Christ.

In our Sunday morning worship over this coming year, we'll be dipping into St. Paul's letters and finding themes which speak to our everyday lives. On Sunday 8th September we'll share in our Covenant Service at which we're invited to renew our relationship with God. And we'll affirm that 'in Christ' there are no second-class citizens. When you consider current political debate in this country and across the Atlantic, that's a very relevant message for our time.

In all that we do together, I hope you'll hear good news for you and for our world.

Roger.



Deacon Jenny at the Methodist Conference in Birmingham with Rev Roger Walton (Chair of the Yorkshire West Circuit) and Rev Barbara Glasson (minister at Touchstone in Bradford and this year's President of Conference)

Dear Friends,

I just wanted to say thank you to you all for the prayers, love and care shown to me as I prepared for ordination. Sunday was a long but very special day. The day started with all of the ordinands, both presbyteral and diaconal having a service of entry into full connexion at the Methodist Church's annual conference in Birmingham. If you have access to the internet you can watch this; just go to the Methodist Church website and look for the Methodist Conference live stream. You can watch it on catch up!

After lunch, the four diaconal ordinands had to go to Shirley Methodist Church for the ordination service. I hope those of you who were able to join us enjoyed it. It was lovely to see so many familiar faces in the congregation. I'm just sorry that I couldn't spend as much time as I would have liked with you all. I hear we got a shout out on the local radio! Thank you to all those who I know who would have liked to have been there but for various reasons were unable to come - your thoughts and prayers were appreciated.

I returned from the conference in the evening and opened my cards and gifts. I was completely overwhelmed by your words of love and encouragement. I feel truly blessed to be living and working amongst you all. Every blessing to each of you,

Jenny

Alan Booth

In Alan Booth was have lost a faithful and long serving member of Guiseley Methodist Church. Alan was part of the gardening team for many years and served on the church council on several occasions as a representative of the church family. He was a member of the collection counting team and could always be relied upon to stand in at the last moment if someone was unable to do their duty. Alan was a member of the choir, singing Bass and when it was his turn to lead prayers at the start of choir practice he always had a good story to tell and his choice of hymn was often "Will your anchor hold" or "What a friend we have in Jesus", both reminiscent of his days with the Boys Brigade before the family came to Guiseley. For a number of years he wrote Guiseley's contribution to the Wharfedale Observer and his writings for our own Newsletter were very much appreciated, sometimes thoughtful, sometimes funny, always worth reading.

We give thanks for Alan's life and his Christian Faith shown in many ways. Our thoughts and prayers are with Barbara, Beverley, Andrew, Paul and their families.

Thanks be to God for Alan.

Yorkshire West District Methodist Women in Britain

On 19th September there will be a Celebration Service with Holy Communion at West Wakefield Methodist Church.

12.30pm Gathering and finger buffet
2pm Rev Kerry Tankard our new Chair of District will lead the service.

Donations towards the cost of lunch, please.
All welcome.

Gift Aid

As we are in the new tax year and with recent increases in personal allowances - which have the effect of reducing tax paid - I would like to remind all those who Gift Aid their donations of the following:

HMRC rules require you to confirm (through your declaration that is already held by the Church) that “I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.”

Please note the relevant taxes are Income tax and/or Capital Gains Tax. Other kinds of tax such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. **You must ensure that the relevant tax paid in the tax year is equal to or greater than 25% of your Gift Aided donations that you make to *all* charities.** If the tax is less, HMRC will ask you to pay the difference.

For example: if you have made Gift Aided donations of £1000 in the tax year you must have paid income or capital gains tax of at least £250 in that same tax year.

If anyone has any concerns please speak to myself.

Richard Naylor
Gift Aid Secretary

A Note about Traidcraft

Following a recent development, unfortunately Traidcraft will not recommence this Autumn as anticipated.

I will be continuing to order Fairtrade tea, coffee and sugar for use by our Church.

There will be a small Traidcraft stall at the annual Winter Warmer coffee morning on 16th November.

Jane Dick

Michael and Dorothy Hardstaffe

Michael has been a local preacher since 1965, and has led worship in our churches for many years. He and Dorothy are moving to Evesham to be near their family, and so we sent a letter wishing them well and thanking Michael for all the meaningful services he has led here at Guiseley. His reply is as follows:

“Many thanks for your letter and good wishes from friends at Guiseley Methodist Church. It was always a pleasure to come to Guiseley and to lead and share worship with you. I have many happy memories of Guiseley and have been much encouraged over the years by the welcome and the support I have received.”

“We have already received a warm welcome from Evesham Methodist Church and hope to settle quickly into our new home.”

Christian Aid News

After our wonderful total for the House to House collection (final total £1,926.65) our next fund raising efforts this year are:

- Sponsored Walk on Sunday 29th September. This will be a local walk of approximately 5 miles. Both walkers and sponsors are needed.
- On 25th October there will be a collection at Morrison's, Guiseley.

Next year we are holding a concert on Saturday 6th June. The entertainment will be provided by the Dalehurst Trio and the Yeadon Handbell Ringers followed by Afternoon Tea. Put a note to add this event to your 2020 Diary and we hope to see you there.

Christian Aid Committee

A Date for Your Diary –



Our Autumn Special Church Clean

Saturday, 21st September
10.00 am to 12 noon

*You'd be forgiven for thinking we're slack,
But cheer up, we are soon to be back!
You can expect your usual fix
Because we'll come up with the usual mix
Of interesting things to do - like dusting and cleaning, scrubbing and...
pew!!! It's really a piece of cake,
Because it's all done for heaven's sake!
So please come along – there's coffee too!*

Many thanks
Property Committee

Aireborough Historical Society

The first meeting of the year for the Society is a talk given by

Robert Soper, entitled: "Antiques and the Stately Home"

It will be a look back at 25 years of working in some of Britain's finest houses. It will be held at Guiseley Methodist Church on Thursday 12th September, commencing at 7.30pm.

Also from September the new calendar, now priced at £6, will be available.

Roger Halliwell
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Home milk deliveries still happen in some areas we have been told, but you may remember both milk and bread had regular home deliveries. Here is a collection of notes left in milk bottles....

“Dear milkman: I've just had a baby, please leave another one.”

“Milkman, please close the gate because the birds keep pecking the tops off the milk”

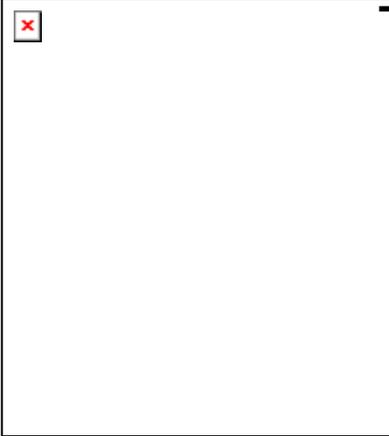
“Sorry not to have paid your bill before, but my wife had a baby and I've been carrying it around in my pocket for weeks.”

“No milk. Please do not leave milk at No. 14 either as he is dead until further notice.”

“My daughter says she wants a milkshake. Do you do it before you deliver or do I have to shake the bottle?”

“Please send me a form for cheap milk, for I have a baby two months old and did not know about it until a neighbour told me.”

“Please leave no milk today. When I say today, I mean tomorrow, for I wrote this note yesterday..”



The **NEXT NEWSLETTER** is for
October & November

Please let us have your material
by no later than **15 September**

via the box in the vestry

or **22 September** by email to

gmcmmonthlynewsletter@hotmail.co.uk

Circuit & Church Noticeboard

'Viewpoint' will be our new monthly E-noticeboard for the Circuit. It will detail upcoming events within your church and will be emailed out to the circuit so that everyone gets a view of what is happening.

If you have any special services / events / social happenings etc. due to take place in August/September please give details by email, or call me on 07885 585946. Contributions should be sent to Mike Fawcett (admin@wharfedaleandaireboroughmethodists.org.uk) by the end of the first week of every month, for issue the following week.

Many thanks

Mike Fawcett
Circuit Administrator

The Circuit website address is:
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