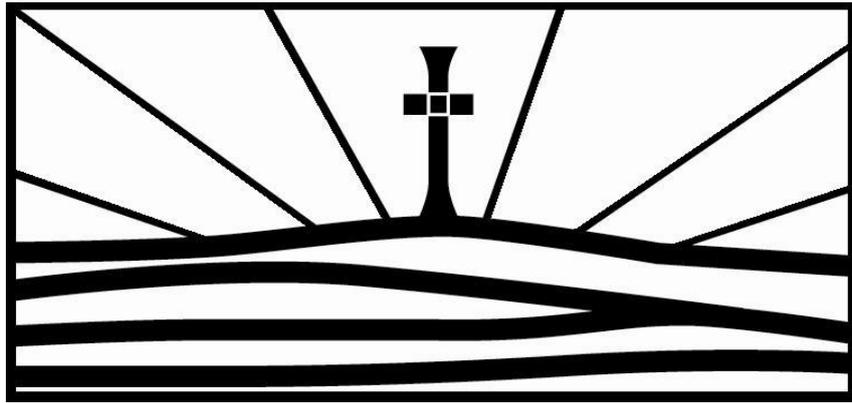
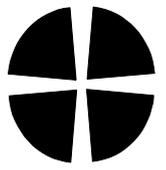


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Sunday Worship

June Services

2 nd	Morning 10.30 am Mrs Lindsey Hurst	Evening 6 pm United Service at Yeadon
9 th	9 am Rev Roger Smith Holy Communion Deacon Jenny Parnell Parade Service	Circuit Service at Norwood
16 th	Rev Roger Smith	Rev Cayte Norman Holy Communion
23 rd	Rev Leslie Holmes Holy Communion	United Service at Yeadon
30 th	Rev Tim Perkins	No evening service

July Services

7 th	Morning 10.30 am Rev Roberta Topham	Evening 6 pm Rev Roger Smith
14 th	9 am Rev Keith Reed Holy Communion Deacon Jenny Parnell Parade service	No evening service
21 st	Mr Christopher Jackson	Mrs Joan Bosomworth
28 th	Rev Roger Smith Holy Communion	Circuit Service at Ben Rhydding



June

- Sun 2nd 2.30 pm Service at Primrose Court led by Methodist Women in Britain/WDP
- Wed 12th 7.30 pm Group 13 AGM
- Tues 18th 2.15 pm Tuesday Fellowship Summer meeting
- Tue 25th Church Council at Guiseley
- Wed 26th Circuit Meeting at Guiseley

July

- Sat 6th 9.15 am Group 13 Summer Walk – see article
- Sun 7th 2.30 pm Service at Primrose Court with Holy Communion led by Rev Leslie Holmes and supported by Church Members
- Tues 23rd 2.15 pm Tuesday Fellowship Summer meeting

MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear friends,

June has arrived. A time when we begin to think of warm sunny days and the seaside. For me this year, June is also the month of my ordination. It's been a long and interesting journey to reach this point and I'm grateful for the love and support of this Circuit along the way. Your friendship, guidance and prayers were all instrumental in my reaching ordination, thank you all so much.

Many of you know that I have come to love Yorkshire and I really do; but I am Cornish through and through. My family have lived and worked in the small village of Port Isaac in North Cornwall for generations. A lot of my family were and still are fisherman. I also come from a family of artists. I'm not particularly blessed with artistic talent myself, but art is one of my big loves.

I'd like to share with you one of my favourite pictures by the artist Katsushika Hokusai (1760-1849)

The picture depicts an enormous wave threatening three small boats. However, the boats do not appear to be sinking. The people in them are working together to ride the wave. To me this image sums up beautifully how we should be trying to live out our Christian lives. To be in the waves, we have to first leave the safety of the harbour! This can be a scary proposition and one we may feel ill equipped for. We are all able to let God work in and through us though.



The poet Roger Keyes wrote a poem inspired by the sayings of the artist Hokusai. I share some of the poem with you here:

It doesn't matter if you draw, or write books.
It doesn't matter if you saw wood, or catch fish.
It doesn't matter if you sit at home
and stare at the ants on your veranda or the shadows of the trees
and grasses in your garden.
It matters that you care.
It matters that you feel.
It matters that you notice.
It matters that life lives through you.
Contentment is life living through you.
Joy is life living through you.
Satisfaction and strength
are life living through you.
Peace is life living through you.
He says don't be afraid.
Don't be afraid.
Look, feel, let life take you by the hand.
Let life live through you.

I pray that as we each continue on our journeys; we will become more aware of the life of God living in and through us and others. That, being aware of this, we will be confident to step out of our comfort zones. When we encounter difficulties and the waves start crashing around us as they inevitably will, let us not be afraid but trust in God and support each other in love until the storm has passed.

Every blessing,

Jenny

WORLD MISSION

Thank you for your support for World Mission during this year. I am now emptying your boxes and collecting donations for this important ongoing work. I would be grateful if I could receive these during June/early July.

Many thanks

Catherine Mouncey

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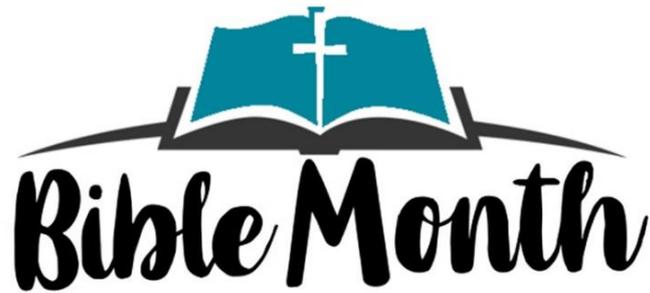
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Group 13 Summer Walk Saturday 6th July

Meet 9.15 at Church for shared transport to the start of a leisurely ramble beside the River Wharfe, visiting Bolton Abbey, Cavendish Pavilion and Strid Woods. All welcome.





Across the Circuit we're celebrating Bible Month throughout July (spilling over into August).

This year the focus is on Paul's letter to the Colossians. Over four Sunday morning services, we'll engage with the themes of this epistle.

We'll look at Colossians as follows:

Sunday 7th July - Colossians 1: 1-23

with Rev Roberta Topham

Sunday 21st July - Colossians 1:24 – 2:15

with Mr Chris Jackson

Sunday 28th July - Colossians 2:16 – 3:17

with Rev Roger Smith (Holy Communion)

Sunday 4th August - Colossians 3:18 – 4:18

with Deacon Jenny Parnell

However many of these services you're able to share in, I encourage you to read the whole letter and invite God to speak to you through it.

Roger

A Day at Synod

The Yorkshire West Methodist Synod took place at All Saints Catholic High School in Huddersfield on 11th May. The synod was presided over by the Deputy Chair, Revd Dr Barbara Glasson as Roger Walton was on compassionate leave, following the death of his wife, Marion.

Suggestions of letters of greetings, sympathy and congratulations were agreed, including one to the newly appointed Poet Laureate, Simon Armitage, who is a Huddersfield 'lad'.

The theme of Synod was "**What in the world....**".

Firstly we looked at "**What in the world is going on....?**" We heard from the Joint Public Issues Team (JPiT) the concerns about the need for food banks and the problem of homelessness. We were encouraged to make our MPs and local Councillors aware of our concerns.

Now that Oxford Place in Leeds City Centre has closed, awaiting development as a Methodist Hotel, the work of city centre mission has changed radically. The Deacon is based at the Church Institute and is looking to bring together an ecumenical team to reach out to people in the workplace, shopping areas and the Market. Funding is needed for this and a plan is being prepared which will suggest loans from churches and circuits. These will be repaid when the hotel is up and running.

We learned about the Mission Shaped Ministry one year course which develops and deepens faith. The lay worker from Menston spoke enthusiastically about how this had helped her in her journey. Action for Children continues its work which was started 150 ago and the needs are still there.

Our next section was "**What in the world are we up to.....?**"

Roberta Topham spoke of the continuing exploration of Marriage and Relationships. There is a report due out for discussion at Conference and all churches and circuits are strongly encouraged to engage in thought, prayer and discussion on this important subject,

The One Opportunity Programme is a one year placement working in a church on a particular project. The Programme is open to 16 to 23 year olds. Applications are invited for this year, starting in September.

We heard up to date news about the Learning Network which offers courses, retreats and training.

After lunch the final title was "***So what in the world do we do next...?***"

To begin this part, with laughter around the room, Barbara Glasson stood up and said "Well I think I do!" Barbara is President Designate of the Methodist Conference and will take on this role of leading the church for one year at the Conference which takes place at the end of June. Gifts were presented to her, including a knitted goat, representing the goats which were sponsored at her request as part of her gifts. 

As part of the closing worship those ministers who had died and those who are leaving the district were remembered. Good wishes for those being ordained at the Conference, including our own Deacon Jenny were remembered and assured of our prayers. Barbara preached sharing two stories of challenge and encouragement and worship closed with a moving act of Communion.

"What in the World..." proved to be a thought-provoking, challenging and encouraging day. by Liz Hoyle

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“DON’T LEAVE ME NOW”

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Martina McClements and Annie Sawle

on Tuesday 18th June 2019
at 6.30 pm

Guiseley Methodist Church
Orchard Way, Guiseley, Leeds LS20 9EP

A discussion will follow, then Tea and Biscuits

As there is no charge for entry, donations for Dementia Awareness would
be gratefully received.

If you wish to attend, please let Julie Hipkin or Lynne Bootland know



The **NEXT NEWSLETTER** is for August & September. Please let us have your material by no later than 14 July via the box in the

vestry or 21 July by email to:

gmcmonthlynewsletter@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 June or July please give details by email, or call me on 07885 585946. Contributions should be sent to Mike Fawcett (admin@wandamethodists.org.uk) by the end of the first week of every month, for issue the following week.

Many thanks

Mike Fawcett
Circuit Administrator

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