

**Good Friday 14th April 7.30pm** at Ilkley Road Methodist Church. The Choir will perform Stainer's Crucifixion with Steven Robinson (conductor) and John Taylor (organist). The soloists will be Alan Parkinson (tenor) and David Bainbridge (baritone). Do please come along and give them your support in this act of worship.

**Holy Saturday 15th April** at Ilkley Road Methodist Church. The Easter Women – a group of ladies at the church have got together to write and present a dramatized meditation (for want of a better description) encompassing the thoughts and feelings of the group of women who attended the crucifixion of Our Lord and who subsequently went to our Lord's Tomb, and were the first people to bear witness to the resurrection. We wanted to tell the Easter story from a different & very human perspective. The performance/act of worship will start at 7.30pm in the Chapel and will be followed by tea and biscuits and we would be pleased if our friends across the circuit could give us their support.

### Services for Holy Week

#### Monday 10th April

Keighley Shared Church 2-4pm. Walking through Holy Week—a time of quiet prayer and meditation

**Tuesday 11th April** Silsden Methodist Church 7.30pm led by Janet Clark and Jo Dolman

**Wednesday 12th April** Lees Methodist Church 7.30pm led by Chris and Heather Holmes

#### Maundy Thursday 13th April:

Cowling at 6.00pm

Keighley Shared Church 7.30pm with Anglicans

Long Lee 7.30pm Upper Room Service Rev R. Nash

Oakworth 6.00pm Holy Communion Rev R. Nash

Silsden 7.30pm at Methodist Church, with Anglicans

#### Good Friday 14th April:

Bingley 11.00am Churches Together service in town centre

Eastburn 10.00am

Ilkley Road 7.30pm Stainer's Crucifixion

Keighley Shared Church 11.00am Churches Together Walk of Witness in the Airedale Shopping Centre.

12 noon Meditations At the Cross

Silsden 10.30am Walk of Witness  
 7.30pm Joint Service at St James

Steeton 6.30pm Rev Rosemary Nash

#### Holy Saturday 15th April:

Ilkley Road 7.30pm The Easter Women—  
 a dramatized meditation

#### Easter Day 16th April:

Farnhill Pinnacle Sunrise 6.00am Rev Ruth Crompton.  
 Hot cross buns served at Farnhill Institute on return.

Ilkley Road 8.30am Holy Communion Rev R. Nash

Sutton 4pm Easter in the Park (CDFC)

### Diary Dates

**1 April** Circuit Quiz at Bingley

**5 April** Circuit Leadership Meeting

**9 April** Palm Sunday

**11 & 12 April** 10-11.30am at Silsden. Children's crafts.

**22 April** Circuit Leadership Away Day at Hetton. Please pray for this as we plan and reflect upon the possibilities within the Circuit and where God might be leading us.

**30 April** Tour de Yorkshire passes through our circuit

#### A Holy Week Collection - Poetry from the Heart

by Ruth Crompton. Available for a small donation towards Silsden Methodist's Toilet Twinning project. Copies available in the coffee area at the church or from Ruth directly.

#### East Africa Famine Appeal

All We Can and the World Church Relationships Team of the Methodist Church in Britain are calling for support for this urgent appeal. There are various means by which you can donate. You can post a cheque, give online, or donate by phone call on 020 7467 5132. Or you can simply text EFAM17 £10 to 70070. To change the donation amount, simply enter this at the end of your text. All the money you donate goes to All We Can. You may be charged for your text message. Please refer to your network operator's standard rates. Over 18s only.

Empty,  
It was empty!  
The body gone.  
Just the grave clothes  
Abandoned,  
Hinting at what had been.  
But now  
It was empty!  
Maybe a trick of the dark?  
Eyes not yet accustomed,  
But no,  
It was no stunt,  
It was real.  
I turned;  
A stranger  
But then  
I heard his voice  
Saying my name.

Ruth Crompton (c) 2016



***Dementia Awareness Session***  
and  
***Developing a Dementia Friendly Church***  
on  
**Tuesday 2nd May**  
**7.30-9.30pm**  
at  
**Silsden Methodist Church**

Please could you let Eileen Jowitt know if you are attending  
01535 657256  
williameileenjowitt@yahoo.co.uk

**Crosshills Methodist Church**  
will be holding their  
**Annual Christian Aid Quiz**  
on Saturday May 13th at 6.30pm,  
doors open at 6pm.  
Please let Diane know 01535 633139  
if you are coming and how many.  
We look forward to seeing you all again.

**Save the Date! Concert by Silsden Town Band**  
**Saturday 14th October (evening)**  
**@ St. Andrew's Methodist Church, Cowling.**



**Mission Possible Concert by the Airedale Male Voice Choir**  
**Saturday 29th April 7.30 pm at Oakworth Methodist Church**  
Tickets £6 (inc Tea and Biscuits) from Madeline ☎642610 or David ☎215784  
or book online at [www.OakworthMethodists.org](http://www.OakworthMethodists.org)

Please submit any items for the May newsletter by Monday 24th April to Gerald Crompton (Editor)  
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