

Diary Dates

11 Feb Windstruments Clarinet Choir—A concert of light music. 3.30pm at Bingley Methodist, followed by tea & cakes. Free entry, donation to Missions.

14 Feb Ash Wednesday

15 Feb Church Treasurer's Meeting 7:30pm at Eastburn

18 Feb First Sunday in Lent

20 Feb GIFT (Growing in Faith Together). Circuit Youth Fellowship for ages 11+. 6.15-7.15pm at Steeton Methodist Church. Pizza will be supplied. Then meeting fortnightly on Tuesdays.

24 Feb Silsden Methodist Church presents A Walk in 'The Park', Everest and High Peaks. A talk by Mick Baines (Silsden's Intrepid Explorer). Tickets for the talk at 7.30pm are £3, available from the church or Twigg's Newsagents. In aid of Church Funds. (Tickets for the meal before the talk have sold out.)

26 Feb to 11 March Fairtrade Fortnight

27 Feb Circuit Leadership Meeting. If you have an item that you wish to draw to the attention of the Leadership Team then please email it to any of the members of staff.

1 March Revd David McAloon will be attending the Probationers Committee. It is this group who will decide whether David will be ordained this summer. Please hold him and all involved in your prayers.

2 March Women's World Day of Prayer

15 March Circuit Meeting at Keighley Shared Church - Please let any member of the staff team have any item for the agenda no later than 7 March.

On 1 July David McAloon will be ordained in Nottingham. I have a coach arranged to go from Bingley Methodist Church. There is no charge and if you would like to come along please let me know. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis, depending on how many tickets we are allocated. Contact Stephen Wilkinson on 07706 114556 or swfamilyroom@aol.com

Steeton Methodist Chapel

Saturday 24th February. Coffee Morning and Cake Stall 10-12. Entrance £2 pay at the door. Everyone Welcome

Saturday 24th March. An Evening with Ian Dewhurst. Buffett Tea 6pm followed at 7-15 by a talk "Life in the 50s". Tickets £7 from Lena Robinson 01535 653435 or Julie and Joanne Hairdressers.

Saturday 31st March. Coffee Morning and Hot Cross Buns 10-12. Bric a Brac stall, Nearly New Clothes. Entrance £3 pay at the door. Everyone Welcome

Ilkley Road Methodist Church Choir, Riddlesden

The choir will perform Maunder's Cantata 'Olivet to Calvary' on Good Friday 30th March at 7.30pm, 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.

The Circuit Pilgrimage continues to go well even amidst all the snow and ice! Each team who have walked have been warmly received by the churches and are very grateful for all the great hospitality they have been offered. So far they have walked to and from the following churches, Long Lee, Cullingworth, Lees, Oxenhope, Marsh, Haworth, Oakworth, Exley Head, Keighley Shared Church, Steeton and Eastburn, so we are over half way. We are looking forward to sharing with the remaining churches as we conclude over the next few weeks this part of the pilgrimage. The films continue to be shown locally and we hope you have managed to catch some of them. God has spoken in a variety of ways and continues to be very much a part of all that we do and see on our travels. Thank you for all your prayers and continuing support. **Ruth and the staff.**

During February the film shows on the theme of pilgrimage are as follows:

Feb 8 7pm at Silsden Methodist - Wild

Feb 20 2pm at Haworth - The Way

Feb 20 2pm at Exley Head—Six Ways to Walk the Camino

The programme of walks for the next few weeks is listed below:



Thu 15 Feb	Eastburn	9.30-10am	Breakfast	1 mile
	Cross Hills	10.45 - 11am	Cup of tea	2.4 miles
	Cowling	11-12.30	Soup Lunch	
Thu 22 Feb	Cowling	9.30-10am	Breakfast	3.4 miles
	Cononley	12.00	Lunch	
Tue 27 Feb	Cononley	9.30-10am	Breakfast	3.7 miles
	Silsden	12.30	Soup Lunch	
Thu 8 March	Silsden	9.30-10am	Breakfast	5.4 miles
	Ilkley Road	1pm	Soup Lunch	

Dementia Awareness Sessions

and

Developing a 'Dementia Friendly Church'

Thursday February 15th 10.00 - 11.30am

at Silsden Methodist Church

Queries and booking a place - Eileen Jowitt
01535 657256

or williameileenjowitt@yahoo.co.uk



Annual Quiz

At Bingley Methodist Church
On Saturday 7th April 2018,
Starting at 6.00 pm.

Tickets £6.00 including a fish and chip supper or a cheese or ham salad. Please order your food and team numbers in advance by telephoning 01274567784 or e-mailing johnewyborn@hotmail.com before the 5th April. (Food requests after this date will not be accepted).

Teams of 6 people. Scratch teams can be arranged on the evening for those additional people who would like to participate, but places must be booked in advance for catering purposes.

The **Methodist Church** 

Creating Safer Space: **Refresher Module**

Safeguarding awareness training session for workers with children & young people, vulnerable adults, stewards, local preachers, worship leaders, pastoral workers and anyone else who is interested.

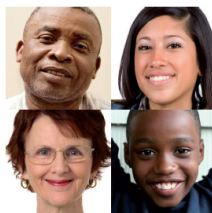
Tuesday MARCH 6th 2018

2.00pm - 4.30pm
at
Cullingworth Methodist Church

**To book a place on one of the sessions,
please contact:**

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Jackie Fowler 01274 231494
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Action for Children Store Collections!

We had the store collection not long before Christmas which raised £433.95. Sixteen people were involved in the collection, coming from 7 separate churches. We are very grateful for the help of those who collected and those who contributed money. Thank you.

The next collection will be on Thursday 28th June at Morrisons - please put the date in your diary now so that again we can have another good team effort.

Four years ago Action for Children worked with 250,000 children, young people and families, now that figure is 370,000!

Maurice & Judith Baren

St. Peter's Crosshills are holding their **Annual Christian Aid Quiz** on Saturday 12th May. It will be £6 and this includes a hot supper and dessert. The doors will be opened at 6pm and the quiz will start promptly at 6.30pm. There will be a raffle and a paper quiz, which can be taken away and completed at home. As usual teams of no more than 6. Please book your table from Diane 01535 633139 as early as possible. Come and see our newly refurbished church, you are welcome.

Please submit any items for the March newsletter by Monday 19th February to Gerald Crompton (Editor) news@airedalemethodists.org or 01535 652353 or post to 55 Woodside Road, Silsden Keighley BD20 0BN. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please send a request to Gerald.