

Long Lee Methodist Church Sunday School Anniversary Celebration Weekend

Saturday 4 July 10am
Cream Tea/Coffee Morning

Sunday 5 July Morning
Worship led by Revd Rosemary Nash. This is a hub service followed by coffee and biscuits. Everyone welcome to either or both events.

Cullingworth Methodist Church

Invite you to come and share our church anniversary weekend by visiting our very special Wedding Dress Exhibition.
Sat. 11 July 10am-4pm
Sun. 12 July 12:00-3pm
Refreshments will be served.

Oxenhope Methodist Church

will celebrate 25 years since they moved into their new building. On Sunday 26 July at 10.30am Revd Michael Chapman will be leading worship. A light lunch will follow.

Bingley Methodist Church

will be holding another Holiday Club this summer. Go Global will run from 27th July to Friday 31st 10am - 12md. Contact Barbara Walls for details 01274 562996 barbara.walls@tiscali.co.uk

Report of meeting held on 17 June

Most of the churches were represented at the Circuit Consultation meeting. After listening to several interviews about different ways of being church and watching a couple of short videos, small groups chatted through ideas of church and mission. Many recognised that much of the mission ideas cannot be done with the individual church memberships as they stand. A Circuit Messy Church team seemed a popular idea as did some joined up church initiatives. The idea of Car Boot Fair Church set some folk thinking and we hope to gather together a small team to be present at the next Car Boot Sale in Silsden, to be on hand to chat to folk, distribute water and lollipops and to offer prayer if asked for - not a hard sell just a gentle presence. No doubt as we continue in conversation other ideas will emerge. All of this needs to be cloaked in prayer. So I offer to you and to the churches the following prayer. Please use it either in worship or in your own personal prayer times. I will be

writing a more detailed report to the churches for the Autumn meetings.
Revd Ruth Crompton

We are here God,
Ready and attentive,
Seeking your will

In this place,
In our Circuit,

In the communities in which we live,
Work and worship.

We yearn to catch a glimpse

Of your vision,

To see where you are at work

And to join in with you.

Remind us that this is not our mission

But yours.

May we learn to gossip the Gospel,

May the name of Jesus fall from our lips

In simple everyday conversation with friend and stranger,

So that others may come to know you

And in knowing, join in your dance

Of amazing transformation of lives,

People and community.

Amen

Diary Dates

27 June-2 July Methodist Conference Representative Session in Southport

Saturday 11 Action for Children store collection at Morrison's in Keighley. Maurice and Judith Baren would appreciate offers of help for just one hour 01535 643100 mauricebaren@gmail.com

Saturday 11 Circuit Walk from St Andrews, Cowling. 12:30pm with packed lunches or join us at 1pm for the walk.

Estimated walking time: 1:15 to 1:30 hrs. Any questions please contact Peter Howarth PHowarth@OakworthMetho dists.org or Graham Iliff graham.iliff@hotmail.com

Sunday 12 Action for Children Sunday

Thursday 30 Open house and garden at Intake Bungalow, Park Lane, Cowling from 2pm - 4.30pm(ish). Bring and buy, raffle. Suggested donation £3 (or a couple for £5). Tell your friends and bring them along. Proceeds for work at St Andrews Church

Throughout July in Silsden: various events celebrating the start of the Tour de France in the Netherlands, with decorated tulips in the Methodist Church

www.granddeparty.org

Courage, Cost and Hope – the Methodist Church Safeguarding Past Cases Review The Methodist Church in Britain has published the report of an independent review of past safeguarding cases related to the Church from 1950 to 2014. The full report can be found on the Methodist Church website.

Speaking on behalf of the Church, the Secretary of the Methodist Conference and General Secretary the Revd Dr Martyn Atkins has issued a full and unreserved apology to survivors and victims of abuse in response to the report. Here is part of the apology:

"It was a courageous act for the Methodist Church to launch such a comprehensive Past Cases Review. Even more courageous was the response from the survivors or victims who relived very difficult experiences to contribute to the review, either directly or through a third party. However thorough the review has been, there are undoubtedly cases that have not been reported and the Church would encourage survivors and victims and those with any information to contact the Safeguarding Team: safeguarding@methodistchurch.org.uk. They will be listened to and support will be offered" (during the first 2 weeks after the publishing of the report 40 more cases have been reported).

"There are many lessons to be learnt, but the most challenging are those that require a significant culture change throughout the church, and particularly for ministers and church leaders. The Church will need further courage to implement the review's recommendations, which are far-reaching and call for major changes in both practice and culture. The Methodist Church has already taken measures to improve safeguarding across the Connexion and implementing the learning from this review will be the next step to ensuring that the Church can be a safe place for all."

If this report has raised issues and/or concerns for you please speak to your Minister, Safeguarding Officer or another appropriate person.
Eileen Jowitt, Circuit Safeguarding Coordinator.

Race for Life. I am attempting to run the 10k Race for Life at Halifax on the 19th July. If you feel that you could support this overweight, unfit but determined biscuit enthusiast to hold her head up high by sponsoring me I would be very grateful. The easiest way is to visit JustGiving.com and search for Rosemary Nash and follow the link, but I always have my sponsor form about my person and will gladly accept anything from 1p towell the sky's the limit. In anticipation - Thank you. Rosemary Nash

Please submit any items for the August newsletter by Monday July 13th to Gerald Crompton (Editor) news@airedalemethodists.org or phone 01535 652353 or post to 55 Woodside Road, Silsden, Keighley BD20 0BN. If you would be like to receive the newsletter by email please send a request to the Editor.

Saturday 18 July 7.00pm Proms on the Farm Sycamore Farm, Brunthwaite, Silsden. Featuring music by The Skelmanthorpe Band playing favourites from "The Last Night of the Proms" featuring Sarah Halstead—soloist. Plus music from The Sultans of Swing and The Big Bang. Proceeds in aid of Manorlands Hospice & Silsden Methodist Church. Tickets £10 awning space £10. Tickets available from Twigg's Newsagents, Kirkgate, Silsden or on 01535 654509 (awning space to be booked by phone). www.promsonthefarm.co.uk

Disciple In September we are hoping to start another Disciple course. The course last for 34 weeks during which we read about 75% of the Bible! Group members need to be able to do ½ hour reading for six days and attend a 2 hour session each week.

Who's it for? – any one, any age, any ability!

When will it be? – hopefully a day time course – possibly Monday morning

Where will it be? – depends on the place group members are living.

The course is challenging, requires commitment but also fun – and could change your life!

Contact Barbara Walls by 3rd week of July if you may be interested and we will be arranging a gathering in early August for those who want to know more.

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The small, though friendly, congregation at Haworth is trialling twice-a-month Thursday morning worship & invites local preachers or others across the circuit to join them. Informal coffee and prayer times, which have run successfully for the last nine years, are to continue on the second Thursday of the month at 10.30am while a more traditional service has begun on the fourth Sunday. These two new worship times replace Sunday morning services on the second and fourth weeks of each month for two quarters. The Methodists have a long standing arrangement to join the congregation at West Lane Baptist Church on the fourth Sunday of the month. Do drop in for coffee if you happen to be in Haworth. You will be assured of a warm welcome.