

The Ryedale Methodist Circuit



Weekly News 12 January 2019

Weekly Prayers for each other. Please pray for **Thornton Dale** congregation and village community.

Coffee every Saturday morning at Malton Wesley Centre, 10 - 12noon. Come for a chat when you've done your shopping!

NEW BIBLE STUDY COURSE Led by Revd Tanya Short. **Women of Faith: What they teach us.** Back at The Kitchen Café, Norton, Thursdays 10.00 -11.30am – January 17 , February 14, 21 & 28 and March 7. Focusing on six women - from the Old and New Testaments. Each of them tells a remarkable story and offers a distinctive example of faith.

Worship: Leading & Preaching An Open Forum with Bob Bartindale Connexional Officer for Worship & Local Preachers. The Bar Convent, York (Blossom Street, YO24 1AQ) Thursday 17th 7.00pm – 9.00pm. All Tutors, Mentors and Students are warmly invited to attend – and anyone else interested in learning more about Worship: Leading & Preaching. Please contact Sian Henderson (admin@yorkshirenemethodist.org) by 10th January if you are planning to come.

Church stewards and property stewards

A reminder that on-line forms for **annual returns and statistics** should be completed by 31 January 2019. Thirteen of nineteen annual returns have been completed so far and fourteen of nineteen statistics. If you need any help please contact Ann.

THE RYEDALE CIRCUIT is very pleased to be hosting a District event (see below and posters) on Saturday 2 February 10 am – 3 pm led by the President of Conference, REVD MICHAELA YOUNGSON

Please can volunteers from each Area let Ann know ryedalemethodists@gmail.com if you can help serve drinks at this event:

Coffee on arrival from 9.30am (volunteers from Malton/Norton Area please),

Lunch (volunteers from Pickering Area please),

Refreshments at close 3pm (volunteers from KMS/Helmsley Area please). Many thanks.

RELEASING CREATIVITY IN WORSHIP An opportunity to look at new ways to enrich worship, through presentations and workshops, led by the President of Conference, Revd Michaela Youngson, who will begin the day with a keynote talk entitled. **Weaving Worship - drawing together the strands of God's love** For local preachers, worship leaders, stewards and anyone with an interest in developing creative worship

Workshops include... creative prayer, telling our stories within worship, creative space, creative resources within the 'Worship: Leading and Preaching course'

No charge for the day, bring your own lunch.

Drinks available on arrival and during the day.

Saturday 2 February 10 am – 3 pm

Trinity Methodist Church Norton YO17 9JA

Bookings to admin@yorkshirenemethodist.org

The Circuit Staff are thankful for the supportive prayer from many individuals throughout the circuit, and for the monthly prayer meeting held at Bethel. We recognise that we are going through yet more challenging times in our church life as well as, for many, in our personal and national lives, but know that our Lord is not unaware. We are encouraged to “Be joyful always, pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” 1 Thess. 5:16-18

Specific prayer for the Circuit Leadership Team would be greatly valued. Please pray for guidance through the Holy Spirit on future priorities in Mission as well as financial and staffing matters, so that recommendations can be brought to the Circuit Meeting on 27th February. CLT will be meeting on **Friday 18th January** for the morning, and so prayer over the coming days would be much appreciated.

On **Saturday 23rd February** we are holding a **Circuit Prayer Day**. Could you meet together with others from your Church at a time to suit you? If so, we will publicise the place and time for you, and give you some more specific prayer suggestions for the day. We will then encourage as many people as possible to come together at Trinity, Norton at 4pm that day. An hour’s prayer and celebration will then take place.

In all of this, please also hold Revd Peter Sheasby in your prayers too, as he will, subject to Conference confirmation, become the Superintendent Minister from 1st September this year.

With thanks, *Ruth*

Christian Aid If any church would like a speaker in the run up to, or during, Christian Aid week (12-18 May 2019), it would be good to get in touch with me as soon as possible as requests are starting to come in fairly quickly now. *Stephanie Cooper* Regional Coordinator, North & East Yorkshire Christian Aid Yorkshire Email: scooper@christian-aid.org Mobile: 07970 735861

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