

# The Ryedale Methodist Circuit

## Weekly News 14 March 2020

**WEEKLY PRAYERS** for each other: Please pray for **Ebberston** congregation and village community.

**CORONAVIRUS:** See the Methodist Church website for up to date advice, or ask church stewards for latest information. Please be vigilant in taking care of yourselves and each other.

**WOMEN IN AFRICA NEED YOUR SUPPORT!** After the World Day of Prayer service on 6 March, women in the church in Malton were asked to send any clean, unwanted or repairable bras to women in Africa unable to afford to buy their own. In some communities, a bra is a status symbol, indicating that the wearer is a person of value, which protects women and girls from molestation. Bras should be taken to **St Michael's Church, Malton** where there will be a brown collection box under the table to the left of the aisle, next to the food bank box. The bras will be sent to Africa at the end of March. There is also a box in the foyer of the **Memorial Hall at Pickering** up until Wednesday 18 March. **Norton Bethel MC** are collecting too.

**KITCHEN CAFE BIBLE STUDY NORTON** We will be re-starting the Bible study at the Kitchen Cafe on Commercial Street, Norton YO17 9HX. Revd Peter Sheasby will lead a weekly study during Lent "Telling Stories", beginning on **Tuesdays in March** at 10:00 **17th: The Gospel Story, 24th: Our story – Received and handed on, 31st: His story – Passion & Easter.** Everyone welcome. Contact Helen Smith on 01653 695817.

**LENTEN REFLECTIONS** at Thornton Dale on Wednesdays in March at 11:15.  
18 March – Rev'd Peter Lear, 25 March – Rev'd Peter Sheasby **Thornton Dale Old Grammar School at 11:15** Please note the time which is different from advertised in *The Bridge*.

**MARRIAGE AND RELATIONSHIPS.** Yorkshire North and East District.  
Your written comments are welcome: please send them to the District Office [admin@yorkshinemethodist.org](mailto:admin@yorkshinemethodist.org) by Friday **20 March 2020**.  
Feedback forms are available if you would find them useful.  
Contact Ann at [ryedalemethodists@gmail.com](mailto:ryedalemethodists@gmail.com) or Revd Peter if you would like a form.

The district led gathering at Pickering is open to everyone.  
All synod members are especially asked to attend.

**Tuesday 17 March 2020 19:30 – Pickering Methodist Church, Ryedale Circuit (YO18 8AA)**  
A District Synod vote will take place in April 2020 prior to the final decisions on the report being made at the 2020 Methodist Conference.

**CHRISTIAN GROUP FELLOWSHIP** Day conference at Hollybush Christian Fellowship near Thirsk – "The Christ like calling." Saturday **21 March 2020**, Starts at 10:00 with coffee & biscuits from 9:30. The conference concludes at 16:00 with tea & scones.  
The speaker is Rev David King who was born and brought up in Bridlington. On leaving school he worked for the local Parks & Garden Dept before studying horticulture at Askham Bryan College and then became a horticultural instructor to help people with learning difficulties in Derbyshire. David felt a call to the ministry and studied at Wesley College Bristol before serving in many circuits around the country. The cost is £25 per person which includes a hot lunch and tea & scones at the end.  
Please contact Sandra Cade to book on 01944 711386.

### Advance Notices:

**EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB** at Bethel Methodist Church, Norton. Wednesday 8 April 10 - 11:30  
Parents and younger children are welcome to stay. Games, stories, crafts and snack. Just come. We would love to see you. Bring your children, grandchildren or great grandchildren along.

**REPRESENTATIVE SYNOD**  
Manor Academy, York 25 April.

**RYEDALE CHRISTIAN COUNCIL CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE**  
Where: Lady Lumley's School, Pickering 25 April, 9:30 - 16:30  
Speakers - Bishop James Jones, Professor Jon Lovett, Professor Nick Cowern  
Cost: £15, bring your own lunch to book e-mail [metadyne2011@gmail.com](mailto:metadyne2011@gmail.com)

## **GENERATION TO GENERATION by Diocese of York**

Saturday, **2 May 2020** 09:30 – 14:30 BST at St Peter's Norton YO17 9AE

### **From making family services better for everybody to starting a new intergenerational community - and everything in between!**

A vision day for all those passionate about seeing all ages growing together in knowledge and love of God.

If you want to know...

- How can we make our family services better?
- How can we support parents in bringing up children of faith?
- Why is having all ages worship together a good idea?
- What's next after Messy Church?
- How do we start something that meets the needs of our local community?
- What does a new all age worshipping community look like?

Then come along and be inspired, challenged and resourced

£10 ticket price includes sandwich lunch and refreshments.

Please indicate any dietary requirements when booking.

## **ANNUAL LAY SYNOD** Yorkshire North and East District Sunday **3 May** 10.30 to 15.30.

at Copmanthorpe Church. Morning Worship at 10.30 To include local people who will tell their stories about their calling. Please bring a packed lunch. Drinks will be provided. Afternoon Workshops.

Please put the date in your diary. Further details will follow. If you would like to book now, please let Siân Henderson at the District Office know [admin@yorkshirenethodist.org](mailto:admin@yorkshirenethodist.org) Tel 01904 786275

## **ADVANCED SAFEGUARDING TRAINING \* note more dates.**

Local Preachers and Worship Leaders need to take the advanced safeguarding course offered by the district.

**All courses are 10:00 - 15:30**

**Tuesday 5 May, Driffield MC**

**Wednesday 6 May, Pickering Methodist Church**

**Saturday 16 May, Trinity MC, Harrogate**

You can book with Sian Henderson at the district office. [admin@yorkshirenethodist.org](mailto:admin@yorkshirenethodist.org)

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