

OTHER NOTICES ...

Come and sing Graham Kendrick's *The Gift* on Advent Sunday

A one-day event on 2 December 2018 - Advent Sunday at Holgate Methodist. All welcome from across the circuit churches and beyond. We'll be singing Make Way for Christmas, subtitled The Gift, written by Graham Kendrick in the late 1980s. **If you would like to sing, please let Adrian Rodaway know no later than Sunday 14 October.** Offers of interest from musicians no later than Sunday 30 September so that I can start the arranging process! There will be a single rehearsal on the afternoon of the Sunday – 2 December – followed by a Faith (shared) Tea and a 6.30 evening service built around the musical piece. Children are very welcome to join in. Start time to be confirmed. Music available from Adrian Rodaway. Contact adrian.rodaway@holgatemethodistchurch.org.uk or text 07970 070525 to sign up.

Farewell to Adam, Victoria and Selina.....

Although Victoria and Selina may still be around for a couple of Wednesday Cafés, it is likely that today may well prove to be the final Sunday we are able to worship with Victoria, Adam and Selina as a family, as they are moving on to pastures new.

Adam's new job means a house move to East Yorkshire—prayers would be valued for the logistics of the move, as new-house paperwork and job paperwork need to coincide for things to run smoothly. In due course, their new contact details will be shared—please speak to Lin for that information. Their email addresses, however, will remain unchanged.

We will miss you all

... especially Selina's smiles and cuddles



By the time you read this, our new **Boccia** team will have played their first knockout competition at Acomb Explore Library, on Friday 7th September. We meet weekly to have Boccia fun and refreshments at 10am, now in the Hall. Do come along, it is suitable for people of all abilities. Please see Jan for further details.

The Circuit are encouraging churches to hold more **Own Arrangement services** to ease the demand on preachers and our next ones are on 7th October; 4th November and Christmas Day. It is a great opportunity for us to think outside the box, and encourage more people to participate. If you would like to contribute to these services in any way however small, please speak to Rosamond, Heather, or Ian Hill.

Blackout Blinds - one of our room bookers who uses the projector has asked if we can black out three of the windows in Room 2. If you have any ideas on how this may be accomplished without too much expense, or are gifted with a sewing machine, please could you have a word with Lin, thanks.

FIRE DOORS It seems to have become the norm for people to prop open the Hall doors (and occasional the back kitchen door). If you see any Fire Door propped open, **please would you close it immediately** in order to adequately protect people in the rest of the building, and meet our Fire Regulations and insurance requirements.



It is the **100th Anniversary of Armistice Day this year**, and as you know, we want to mark this by decorating our large outside cross with **poppies** that we have been making in recent months. Not only do we want to remember all who have died, but we want to remind our community and ourselves of the cost of war so that we can commit to work and pray for Peace now and in the future. The practicalities of this, are that **we need many more poppies** to give the covered cross as much impact as possible. We are hoping to site it nearer the church, away from the perimeter wall, so that the whole of the cross can be seen by passers by. It would be lovely if every single person in church could make at least one poppy (white for peace, if you would prefer) and for the whole of the cross to be well-covered. We can supply wool and instructions, and can help you make a start even if you have never knitted before. *Please see Helen if you would like some help.* **The deadline for bringing poppies to church has now been extended to Sunday 28th October.** At the end of the year, it is hoped that some wreaths can be made from the poppies taken from the cross, to use in future years.

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Thursday 13th September Stewards' and Leadership Meetings 7.00pm/7.30pm
Monday 17th September Ladies' Leisure Group lunch out (see Elizabeth for details)
Sunday 30th September Harvest Celebration Service 10.30am

Tuesday 2nd October Property Meeting 7.30pm
Saturday 6th October Pastoral Visitors' Trng, Clifton Methodist, 10.30am-3.30pm, take own lunch
Wednesday 10th October Church Council 7.30pm
Monday 15th October Planning meeting for 4th November Own Arrangements Service 7.30pm
Sunday 21st October Chapel Anniversary with Rev'd Gavin and Tracy Hume, followed by shared lunch

Sunday 11th November Service of Remembrance 10.30am
Saturday 24th November **Lidgett Christmas Fair**—Please reserve the date—details to follow later

Monday 3rd December Worship Meeting (re next Plan) and Planning Mtg for Christmas Day service 7.30pm
Sunday 16th December Scratch Nativity
Sunday 23rd December Carols Service
Monday 24th December Crib Service at Poppleton Methodist, 4pm
Tuesday 25th December Christmas Day service at 10.00am

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18th-20th October District Weekend in Scarborough

