

OTHER NOTICES

The new **Traidcraft** catalogue has arrived, including the Christmas ranges of gifts, cards etc. Please take a catalogue from the Fair Trade stall to browse. Orders can be placed through the stall which helps the church, means you don't pay delivery charges and you don't pay until the goods arrive (usually a couple of weeks).

Please do pray for the folk at Traidcraft as they may have to cease trading at the end of 2018 unless a solution can be found in the coming months to end the recent poor trading figures after the pound fell after the Brexit decision and Traidcraft took the decision to honour the prices already published for the goods sold. All their 68 staff based in Gateshead are facing redundancy. The Chief Executive wants people to get in touch with ideas for a future for Traidcraft at lovetraidcraft@traidcraft.co.uk

The following words of Clare Stainsby seem appropriate just now, as the time leading up to Advent is always busy, and so many of us have extra responsibilities on top of the work we already do:

**Affirm us Lord, as we employ our hands and minds in every place
Let worship flow through busy-ness, responding to Your love and grace**

The Circuit are encouraging churches to hold more **Own Arrangement services** to ease the demand on preachers and our next ones are on **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, or come to one of the planning meetings (see diary).**

If you'd like to join in a choir or orchestra to perform Graham Kendrick's **The Gift** at Holgate Methodist on Sunday 2nd December (practice in afternoon, tea, then performance at 6.30pm) **please let Adrian Rodaway know by Sunday 14th October.** 07970 070525. Music will be provided. See the full notice on the church notice board.



Thank you so much for all the **poppies** you have made. We think we now have enough—so please could you bring all the ones you've made to church as soon as possible so the Craft and Chat ladies can attach them to the netting in good time. Many thanks.

THIS SATURDAY 13TH OCTOBER



Ladies' Leisure Group **Next meetings are:**

Monday 15th October 2.15pm - Helen Willis: Autism for all

Monday 19th November - Margaret McGovern: AGE UK Services

We were incredibly sad on Friday to hear that due to the high running costs and falling numbers, our friends at **Vocal Flourish** have had to call a halt to their time at Lidgett. We encourage you to remember Emily, Jane and Jess in our prayers as they come to terms with this loss, and for all who enjoyed their time at Vocal Flourish here. Our thanks also to all who have helped with the meals afterwards over the years.

Dates
for your Diary



2018

Wednesday 10th October Church Council 7.30pm
Monday 15th October Ladies' Leisure Group 2.15pm
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**
Thursday 29th November Stewards 7pm and Leadership 7.30pm Meetings

Monday 3rd December Worship Meeting (re next Plan) and Planning Mtg for Christmas Day service 7.30pm
Tuesday 4th December Circuit Advent Service 10.00am for 10.30am Stamford Bridge
Saturday 15th December A Quiet Christmas, service for bereaved and others who find Christmas hard, 11am
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

2019

Thursday 31st January Stewards 7pm and Leadership 7.30pm Meetings
18th-20th October District Weekend in Scarborough

Please do have a look at the new notices on our Church notice board, which are updated regularly