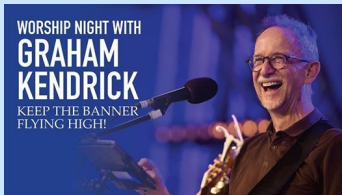


OTHER NOTICES

- ◇ Don't forget to return your **Contacts Sheet** to **Lin** (spares available in the foyer on the table) so that we can have as many as possible in the new **Contacts Directory** for Lidgett folk. Information is entirely optional, and only those whose information appears on the list will receive copies, and they are to be held confidentially, not placed publicly, in accordance with GDPR.
- ◇ If you have a home **collection box** for **Action for Children**, please could you give it to **Chris** for opening, as soon as possible, thanks.
- ◇ The next **Men's Dinner** at The Lord Nelson is proposed for Thursday 4th April. Enquiries to Ian (Clarkson) on York 791877
- ◇ If you haven't already done so, please collect your new box of **free-will envelopes** from the back of church today and in coming weeks. There are spares if you don't use these yet but would like to. Please speak to Robin.
- ◇ Don't forget to order your **FairTrade Easter Eggs from Paul** - there are loads of goodies to choose from across a range of prices, and of course any profit from Paul's FairTrade stall subsidises the tea, coffee etc which we use in church.
- ◇ Have you booked your tickets for *Flourish* yet? Over 500 from across the District are now booked to go.



Graham Kendrick is at the Citadel, Gillygate on 3rd May - he wrote many of the worship songs we use today: (Shine Jesus Shine, Like a Candle Flame, Servant King, Only by Grace, and many many more.) Tickets from <https://arkevent.co.uk/gkyork19/> Priced at £16 (£12 concession). See poster on the notice board for more information.

The Seeker & The Guide is a brand new book by Tony Kidd (father of Viv, who helps at Café on Wednesdays). Canon Michael Smith, Canon Pastor at York Minster, describes Tony as a great story-teller, and this book as a timeless story full of twists, turns and surprises as we are gently led through memories, dreams and reflections; full of humanity that will absorb and challenge anyone who is searching for understanding and meaning in life.

Tony has kindly provided us with a copy to look at which is on the notice board at the back of church. Books can be purchased from Tony and wife Sue for a modest sum of £5. They can be contacted on sandtkidd@gmail.com.

A Statement from The President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference: The Westminster Parliament continues to struggle with the Brexit process. Like no other issue of our time, Brexit has divided our politics, our society and our communities. The coming days and months harbour uncertainty and, for many, even fear. We know that faithful Methodists hold a spectrum of views on Brexit, as they do on many other issues that shape our country and world. We do not minimise the challenge of responding to this hugely emotive issue. Yet we believe that, as Christians, we are bound to one another in Christ, whatever our differences. And we are called to serve our communities even, perhaps especially, in these troubling times. Churches around the country have been providing safe spaces of welcome, reflection and conversation, places where name-calling and abuse are not acceptable, but where differing views can be heard. Offering such a gift of welcome to our communities is not always easy. We hold each other in prayer as we try to serve others at this time. We also pray for the politicians and civil servants, in this country and in the EU, who are at the centre of this storm and must make important decisions. We pray for those with whom we disagree as much as those who share our personal views. While we may feel at sea, blown about by a chaotic political process, we believe that we have an assurance that flows from the faithfulness of God. And therefore we can offer love, practise compassion and speak justice to the communities we serve.

Rev Michaela Youngson, President of the Methodist Conference
Mr Bala Gnanapragasam, Vice-President of the Methodist Conference

Dates

For

Your

Diaries

5th-7th April
Monday 15th April

Sunday 5th May
Tuesday 7th May
Sunday 12th May
Thursday 16th May
Sunday 19th May
Monday 20th May
Sunday 26th May

Wednesday 19th June

Sunday 1st September

Wednesday 9th October
Sunday 13th October
18th-20th October

MWIB Conference at Swanwick
Ladies' Leisure Group Meeting 2.15pm: Pauline Mason on Street Children of Nepal

Circuit Service at Stillingfleet Parish Church 3pm
Property Committee 7.30pm
Shared Lunch after the Service
Stewards Meeting 7pm; Leadership Meeting 7.30pm
Church AGM after the service
Worship Meeting 7.30pm
Circuit Easter Offering Service at Huntington Methodist 4pm

Church Council 7.30pm

Circuit Service of Welcome to Rev'd Steve Barlow

Church Council 7.30pm
Harvest Festival at Lidgett
Flourish District Gathering weekend in Scarborough

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