

OTHER NOTICES

NEXT SUNDAY



We will marking Anna's departure from her role as our Mission Development Enabler at Ian's next service with us, which is next **Sunday 19th May**.

Our loss is York Dementia Action Alliance's gain, but we are pleased to know that Anna will remain a member of our church and continue to be involved with church activities voluntarily.

MEP Election - From the Joint Public Issues Team (JPIT)

This European election is unlike any other. The UK Government and many others do not think the election should happen. It could even be cancelled before election day. The people elected may not ever take their seats and, if they do, they may not serve a full term. This election will take place in the midst of a national conversation which has often been polarising and confusing and has revealed many divides in our country.

While the European Parliament has real powers over a wide range of issues, in the UK these issues are incidental to the public debate. The main issue of this European Election is one which many people (but by no means all) view as already settled, and one over which the people standing for election will have little or no formal influence: Brexit. Some may choose not to vote, others will cast their vote in protest. Polarised feelings about Brexit and frustration with this election mean that the campaign, nationally and on the ground, may be unpleasant in tone. At a time of heightened political feeling, we need a civilised and respectful debate. **What is the role of Christians at such a time?** The JPIT briefing on the notice board in the entrance corridor considers some of the political context in which the election is taking place, and invites us to consider what it means for us and how we might respond. Well worth a look.

After a break of a few weeks, our House Group will resume on **Monday 3rd June**, we will have a couple of weeks to catch up with one another, and then we will be focusing on *Bible Month* in July and July, looking at Colossians. If you can't make the Monday evening and would like a day time group, please could you have a word with Rosamond.

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CHURCH AGM AFTER MORNING SERVICE ON 19th May



Methodist Women in Britain [MWiB] seek to enable and empower women in Christian faith and ministry as part of their stated aims. Therefore a fund has been set aside to support Methodist women to undertake certain Christian Leadership courses at Cliff College. Applicants are invited to apply for a bursary once their place on their chosen course is confirmed. Each application will be considered individually, according to the following criteria:

- * The applicant should be a Methodist woman or associated with a Methodist group.
- * The application must be supported by a Methodist referee (e.g. Methodist Presbyterian, Deacon or MWiB Officer).
- * Applicants may apply for all or part of the cost of the course, but it is hoped that a percentage will be self-funded.

Details and forms available from Lin.



16th June to 14th July 2019

Colossians

Introduction to Colossians for preachers and small group Leaders and others interested on **Thursday 16th May 7.30pm at Cornerstone.**

Dates For Your Diaries

Thursday 16th May
 Sunday 19th May
 Monday 20th May
 Monday 20th May
 Tuesday 21st May
 Sunday 26th May

Wednesday 19th June
 Sunday 14th July
 Sunday 1st September

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

Stewards Meeting 7pm; Leadership Meeting 7.30pm
 Church AGM after the service
 Ladies' Leisure Group 2.15pm on RSPCA
 Worship Meeting 7.30pm
 MWiB Quiet Day— Denise Creed on Blessings (see Rosamond/Pauline if you'd like to go)
 Circuit Easter Offering Service at Huntington Methodist 4pm

Church Council 7.30pm
 Circuit Service/Celebration at Acomb Methodist. No service at Lidgett.
 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