

# Heworth Methodist Church

## Notices for 2 weeks

**Saturday 14th February to Friday 27th February 2026**

### **Sunday 15th February**

**3pm at Heworth.** We meet together for **Flourish Praise** with **Alyson Christy and Sarah Haslam**

### **Sunday 22nd February**

**10.30am at Heworth.** We welcome **Ralph Frankland** to lead our morning service. **Lent 1 – A journey to Jesus.**

### **Saturday Coffee and Chat**

**10.00am to 11.30am** in the Church Hall on the **14th and 21st February.**

### **Monday Prayers**

**9.00am** in Church on the **16th and 23rd February.**

### **Monday Drop-In**

**9.30am to 11.30am** in the Church Hall on the **16th and 23rd February.**

**Monday Toddler Group**

**9.30am to 11.30am** in Rooms 4 and 5 on **23rd February**.

**Wednesday Coffee Morning**

**10.00am to 11.00am** in Field Court on the **18th and 25th February**.

**'Little Ducklings' Thursday Toddler Group**

**1.30pm to 2.50pm** in Rooms 4 and 5 on **26th February**.

**Banners, Knit and Natter**

**2.00pm** in the Church Hall on **24th February**  
**(Fortnightly)**

**Wednesday On-line Fellowship Meeting**

The next on-line Fellowship Meeting will be held on **18th February at 7.00pm**

**Pastoral Secretary Vacancy**

Are the gifts of caring, communicating and co-ordinating within your calling?

Are you willing and able to help the church administrator keep membership lists up to date?

Could you be part of a team that helps support precious pastoral contacts and pastoral visitors? (other team members include church administrator, safeguarding contact, Lay-Pastor)

If you feel you might have something to contribute, then please speak with Alyson to discuss further.

*Thank you - Alyson*

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### **New Treasurer required for Heworth**

At the last Church Council in October 2025 I announced that I wished to retire from the role of Treasurer in the next 12 months.

I realise that anyone interested in applying for this position would first wish to understand what the role involved and whether it could be covered by more than one person.

I therefore welcome anyone contacting me to go through in more detail what is involved. Please give me a ring on York 424019 or see me at Church.

Richard Burnett

### **Flourish 2026**

Please pray for all the organisers, speakers, volunteers and attendees of our District event Flourish happening this weekend (13th - 15th Feb) that each will feel the Holy Spirit at work in Yorkshire!

### **Funeral arrangements for June Barley**

These will take place on Thursday 19th February - a Committal Service at the White Rose Chapel at York Crematorium, starting at 1pm. Anyone who wishes to join the family will be very welcome.

A Thanksgiving Service for June's life will be held at Heworth Methodist Church at 1.45pm (ish).

After the Thanksgiving Service everyone is welcome to join the family at the Walnut Tree pub, Please let Ken know if you expect to be able to come, and also of any dietary requirements - phone, text or WhatsApp Ken on 075 837 18192, or email [kenbarley@yahoo.com](mailto:kenbarley@yahoo.com)

We continue to pray for Ken and all the family and friends of June at this sad time.

### **Lent Lunches from 17<sup>th</sup> February**

For Lent 2026 the Worship Group have developed a different approach to Lent.

Lent is traditionally a time of preparation for Easter, and in particular the events of Holy Week. The story of Jesus' journey to the cross is described in each of the gospels, but so too are the stories of some of the people around Jesus and much of the narrative is explaining what they are experiencing. This year we have tried to explore the experiences of some of those around Jesus who witnessed and were involved in different parts of the narrative.

We hope that can lead us to a deeper understanding of Jesus' Passion, but also by looking at different peoples experiences

we can hope to better understand our own faith and how we respond to times when our faith feels to be under stress.

Some of the people we shall be thinking about are the obvious choices, but others may seem to be more in the shadows of the Easter story, but we believe that each individual or group of people has something to say to all of us.

During Lent we shall be holding our Tuesday lunch groups discussing the chosen witness of the previous Sunday in more detail. We shall either be looking at the story of the individual in more depth or at the implications in our lives of their experience. We shall begin on Shrove Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> February, with a discussion about “Learning from the Experiences of Others”. Please register on the sheets in the foyer if you would like to attend.

### **The Gospel of Mark**

Holy Trinity Church, Heworth 19<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm, a dramatic presentation of the complete gospel of Mark – Live! Performed by Rev. Ian Birkinshaw. Admission Free. See the poster in the Foyer.

### **Church Anniversary – 200 years of Methodism in Heworth**

We are planning events throughout the year to mark this special anniversary – Watch this space.

### **East York Churches Together**

World day of prayer service will be held at St. Hildas Church, Tanghall lane on 6<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm. (See the poster in the porch)

### **Monday Drop in group Appeal for help**

We are now running short on regular volunteers to help on a Monday morning between 9 and 11.30am. It can be as little or as often as you'd like. It can just be for emergency cover when holidays, family and life leave us a little short. It just helps to share the load and ensure that we have sufficient people to offer a welcome to anyone who calls in. For mor information please contact Sheila on 01904 633190 or 07708 608 371. Thank you.

### **Planned Services to the end of March**

15<sup>th</sup> Feb 3.00pm – Flourish praise – Alyson Christy and Sarah Haslam

22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 10.30am – Ralph Frankland (Lent 1)

1<sup>st</sup> Mar 10.30am – John Hayward (Lent 2, HC)

8<sup>th</sup> Mar 10.30am – Alyson Christy (Lent 3)

15<sup>th</sup> Mar 10.30am – Peter Kitchin (Lent 4)

22<sup>nd</sup> Mar 10.30am – Ralph Frankland (Lent 5)

29<sup>th</sup> Mar 10.30am – Sarah Haslam (Palm Sunday)

Next Digest for 2 weeks from Saturday 28th February -  
Copy should be with Wendy  
([hmcnotices@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hmcnotices@hotmail.co.uk)) by the **morning** of **Weds**  
**25th February.**

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