

Heworth Methodist Church
Notices for 28th September to 11th October

Saturday 28th September: MWiB Service at Wesley Methodist Church, Harrogate, at 3.00pm

This is the Commissioning Service for the Rev Leonara Wessell as CoChair of Methodist Women in Britain. The Preacher will be the Rev Gill Newton, Past President of Conference.

The Service will be live streamed via zoom – please contact cochairs.mwib@gmail.com for the link.

Sunday 29th September

10.30am at Heworth. We welcome **Peter Kitchin** to lead our morning Service.

6.30pm at Heworth. East of York Churches Joint Service, led by **Rev David Bidnell**, followed by refreshments.

Sunday 6th October

10.30am at Heworth. We welcome **Rev Ann Haith** to lead our morning Service of Holy Communion.

Saturday Coffee and Chat

10.00am to 11.30am in Church on the **28th September and 5th October.**

Please see below under *York Environment Weeks*. The Church will be open for refreshments and Fairtrade and Plant stalls until **4.00pm on the 28th September**

Monday Prayers

9.00am in Church on the **30th September and 7th October.**

Monday Drop-In

9.30am to 11.30am in Church on the **30th September and 7th October**

Monday Toddler Group

9.30am to 11.30am in Church on the **30th September and 7th October**

Tuesday Together in Prayer

9.30am to 10.00am by zoom on the **1st and 8th October.** Please contact heworth.methodist@gmail.com for the zoom link.

Wednesday Coffee Morning

10.00am to 11.00am in Field Court on the **2nd and 9th October.**

Thoughtful Thursday Prayer

9.15am to 9.30am on the **3rd and 10th October.** Join others in a group telephone call for 15 minutes of prayerful conversation. Please contact Alyson (07985 272473) for individual 'phone details.

'Little Ducklings' Thursday Toddler Group

1.30pm to 2.50pm in Church on the **3rd and 10th October.**

Banners, Knit and Natter

*The next meeting of the Group is in Church on **Tuesday the 1st October from 2.00pm to 4.00pm.***

'Wednesday' On-line Fellowship Meeting

*The next meeting of the Group is by zoom on **FRIDAY 4th October at 7.00pm.** Please contact heworth.methodist@gmail.com for the zoom link.*

Friday Group: Next meeting on Friday 11th October at 7.00pm in Field Court

This session we are looking at the book of the 'Acts of the Apostles'. We conclude with Tea or Coffee and light refreshments, ending between 8.00-8.30pm.

Programme for the rest of 2024:

Sept 27th - You will be my witnesses, Acts 1:1-20

Oct 11th - This is That, Acts 2

Oct 25th - Enable your servants to speak your words, Acts 3:1-4:31

Nov.8th - They shared everything they had, Acts 4:32-7:60

Nov.22nd - To the Gentiles, Acts 8:1-11:38

Dec.6th - The word of God continued to spread, Acts 11:19-14:28

Enquiries to Sister Pauline 01904422143

York Environment Weeks: A note from Alyson Christy

York Environmental Weeks are back from **14th September to 12th October**.

Please see their web page <https://yorkenvironmentweek.org.uk/> the detailed programme is due to go live from early September. There are lots of exciting events across the City...

Copies of a "Green Safari" prepared with East York Churches Together will be available from church (via Alyson) or on YEWs24 webpages or Heworth Methodist Church webpages. This is a Circular walk along local green corridors....from St Aelred's via Hull Road, St Nicholas Fields, Glen Gardens; savouries + Art exhibition at Holy Trinity Church, cakes + Fairtrade + plants at Heworth Methodists, then via Heworth Holme to return to St Aelred's.

The trail can be done at anytime, but the church based refreshments and extras are only there for Saturday 28th September. The regular Coffee Morning is being extended until 4.00pm. Donations of cakes would be very welcome – please bring them to Church on Saturday morning. More details are available on our church webpages <https://www.heworthmethodist.org.uk/>

Harvest Festival Weekend: 12th and 13th October

Our Harvest Service will be held on Sunday the **13th October, at 10.30am led by the Rev Andrew Foster**. **On Saturday 12th at 6.00pm** there will be a Harvest Supper. Please sign up on the list in the foyer.

Tuesday 15th October Lunch and Conversation: 'Living and Dying Well'

On the 15th October at 12.30pm (to about 2.00pm) there will be a light lunch of soup and a roll, followed by conversation on 'End of Life Care' and political moves to introduce new 'Assisted Dying' legislation. Please sign up on the list in the foyer.

East of York Churches Together Harvest Lunch: A note from Alyson Christy

On Saturday 19th October from 12 noon to 1.00pm you are invited to bring a neighbour and come to share a **Harvest Community Lunch at St Aelred's** hosted by the East of York Churches Together. Please let Alyson know if you would like to attend. In addition, Heworth Methodists are probably going to offer various items for the 'desert slot'. Please let Alyson know if you might be able to prepare a simple desert.

Property Audit: A note from Andrew Hutchinson

The Property team are undertaking an audit of the premises room- by- room. This will commence on **Friday 25th October**. We will be disposing of furniture and other items that are no longer required. If you have items on the premises which have no future use would you kindly remove them before the above date. Volunteers would be greatly appreciated to assist in this decluttering exercise. The objective is to comply with Health & Safety regulations, Fire Risk, etc, and helping in future to maintain good working practices. Many thanks - Andrew

Saturday 12th October - 1.00pm - 5.00pm: A note from Alyson Christy

St Nicholas' Fields Annual Fair and open day for YEW. There will be lots of Community Environmental Stalls and activities for people of all ages and abilities! Check out their webpages

<https://www.stnicks.org.uk/events/autumn-fayre1/>

RECYCLING Hard to recycle items : A note from Alyson Christy

St Nicks' are now only taking our items every 2 or 3 months, please do keep using the recycling drawers in the Foyer (Biscuits and snack packaging; crisp bags; cathedral City cheese packaging; clean Aluminium foil; wires-cables-charging leads; candles, melts and wax waste) .. Keep an eye on the posters because what they are able to recycle does change!! THANK YOU!!

Circuit Staffing News

John Schofield and Judith Stoddart have already indicated that they will be leaving the York Circuit in August 2025 to go to other appointments.

For family reasons David and Fiona Bidnell feel that they really need to be living much closer to Edinburgh. The circuit has agreed to David's request for a curtailment to his current appointment and so will also leave the circuit in the summer of 2025. David and Fiona hope that there will be an appointment available in Scotland within easy reach of Edinburgh.

The circuit will therefore be looking for 3 new members of staff to take up the following appointments in September 2025:

A deacon to work with Central, Southlands and in the city centre.

A presbyter to work with Acomb, Bishopthorpe, Copmanthorpe, Acaster Malbis and West Thorpe.

A presbyter to work with Easingwold, Villages Together and Haxby (the latter alongside Rory Dalglish for Rory's final year, before the circuit explores the idea of a deacon to work with the new presbyter in Haxby).

John Hayward will be circuit superintendent from September 2025 and will, among other local church responsibilities, have oversight of Heworth, alongside Alyson Christy.

Plan of Services for October.

06 October 10.30am Heworth, Rev Ann Haith, Holy Communion
13 October 10.30am Heworth, Rev Andrew Foster, Harvest Festival
20 October 10.30am Heworth, Alyson Christy
27 October 10.30am Heworth, Rev David Bidnell
27 October 8.00pm on zoom, Maureen Robinson and Alyson Christy