

Denholme Shared Church



A partnership between the Baptist Church, the Church of England and the United Reformed Church *Three traditions One Faith*

Newsletter for 12th January 2025

Due to the snow and ice we are not holding services in our churches again this Sunday but we still aim to gather for worship at 10am. If you are able, please join us on Zoom using the link below, or use the written service sheet attached to this newsletter at 10am and we will be united in prayer and praise.

Click this link at 10am on Sunday to join our Zoom Service Meeting ID: 824 9198 6371 Passcode: 567997

Please note that the next Warm Spaces will be taking place on Sunday 2nd February at 4.00 pm.





Messy Church! This Wednesday, 15th January, 3.30pm at St Matthew's Wilsden Next Wednesday, 22nd January, 3.30pm at Denholme Shared Church

Quote of the week: "Hope is the only thing stronger than fear." – Martin Luther King Jr.

Message from Revd Richard

<u>SNOW</u>

The first full week of this New Year has certainly been full of snow, ice and cold. Thank you to everyone for your understanding as we have responded the extraordinary conditions. Thank you for your understanding, support and encouragement when we have cancelled or postponed activities. We are always sad when events cannot take place as planned and we always wish to be able to bring people together. It has been very important this week too, to be particularly careful to encourage care and safety first.

Thank you to all those who have been mindful of those around them and who have been alert to the needs of others.

I would especially like to thank the Angels of Wilsden who helped to free my car when I was stuck in the village twice on Monday.

Sometimes unusual events help us to see the good will and care which is within the people around us.

We are collecting Stamps again

The Royal National Institute of Blind People, the RNIB, is able to raise funds from used stamps. Please cut stamps out of envelopes leaving a good margin around the edge (5mm) and bring them to church where we can gather them together and get them to the RNIB.



See differently

WANTED! Bottle bags

Were you lucky enough to be gifted presents in bottle bags recently? If so please consider donating the empty bottle bags to church for a future fundraising activity. Hopefully this will be the last week we're not meeting at church and they can be brought into church soon!



DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS

Donations received for refreshments during the month of January will be forwarded to Inn Churches.

<u>'England and the Church'</u> Three Evenings with John Chuter

A series of three talks covering early Christianity in England, its growth before and after the Reformation and the role of the Church of England. Each talk will be followed by a time for questions and discussion. The talks will be held in the St John's Room, Cullingworth starting at 7.30pm on Thursdays as follows:

23rd January 'The Church comes to England' 6th February 'The Church in England' 20th February 'The Church of England'

May we not keep our blessings, but give them away: so that others might learn new dance steps, so children might be fed, so bridges might be built and so grace may flow to all in your world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

Thom M Shuman, from The Same Old Way

Please keep praying for peace in Sudan

PRAYER REQUESTS TO: <u>say14me@hotmail.com</u>



Prayer is powerful. As you pray for those people and situations that are on your heart this week please remember that! Maybe use the following as a guide or addition to your prayers:

- church leaders everywhere and, in particular, our own ministry team, giving thanks for their continued support;
- those caught up in natural disasters, especially the wildfires in Los Angeles, and the firefighters trying to bring them under control;
- all those who continue to work outside despite the weather, especially farmers and fishermen;
- people of any nationality and faith suffering in the conflict in Gaza;
- the homeless and the Inn Churches project in and around Bradford;
- local schools, staff and students, as so many closed for lessons during this latest cold spell;
- the elderly and housebound in our local villages;
- the recently bereaved and the undertaker businesses who support and make arrangements for relatives of the deceased.

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Donations or Regular Giving – a plate is provided for donations or envelopes during our services. You can also send your gift to Denholme Shared Church Sort Code 30-63-55, account number 56734560 but please include your name as a reference or we will be unable to thank you. Cheques can be sent to the Treasurer c/o Denholme Shared Church (address above)