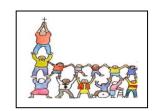


Denholme Shared Church

A partnership between the Baptist Church, the Church of England and the United Reformed Church



Three traditions One Faith

Newsletter for 1st September 2024

10.30 am Morning Worship – Revd Richard Burge

Midweek Services on Wednesday

10.00am Eucharist at Wilsden10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth2.30pm Personal Prayer at Harden

Please keep praying for Sudan: Update

The peace talks arranged by the United Nations seeking to end the war in Sudan continue but signs are not good that they will produce any pause in the fighting. The Sudan Army leaders have not attended the talks and have rejected the peace efforts, vowing to "fight for 100 years". Aid struggles to reach those in great need throughout the country. An added tragedy this week unfolded with the bursting of a dam which has caused widespread flooding. Please pray for the people of Sudan and especially for our Christian brothers and sisters who seek to live out their faith in acts of love and peace



There will be one more Bible Book Group this summer, meeting on Wednesday 11 September, 7pm at Denholme Shared Church. The subject for this meeting will be the books of Ruth and Esther, two significant stories of two very different Old Testament Women. You can see Richard read them on our Benefice Facebook Page and our YouTube Channel from

10am. You can also find an overview of the Books at The Bible Project.

Quote of the week: "God takes our sins – the past, present, and future, and dumps them in the sea and puts up a sign that says NO FISHING ALLOWED." Corrie Ten Boom

Donations for tea/coffee

Donations received for refreshments during the month of August will be forwarded to Christians Against Poverty





There are a few free copies of the URC Reform magazine available if anyone would like one. It's an interesting read on how the URC is tackling the situation of churches facing different and difficult times.

CONCORDIAMICI singing Choral Evensong

St John's, Cullingworth

4pm on Saturday 21 September

The choir is directed by our own Dr Judy Blezzard All the Benefice churches are invited to attend this lovely service.

Fantasy Competitions Underway

The Benefice Fantasy Strictly Come Dancing Competition is now ready for you to make your selections. Peruse the list of celebrities and make your choices. The details are attached with this newsletter. Also attached is the update for the





Fantasy Football competition. Harden are now up to second in the table with Kevin Haley only three points behind the league leader, Peter Sharp from Cullingworth. Andrew Robertshaw rises nineteen places to take Wilsden into third place. See the attached table to find out where you are!

The not to be missed "St John's" Quiz Night Saturday 14th September

Raffle and Pie and Pea supper only £5 Come along for a good night



of fun and fellowship. Let Jasmin know if you would like to join in!

Starting again after the Summer Break -

Little Stars – Friday 13th September

Denholme Voices – Thursday 12th September

Messy Church – Wednesday 18th September at Denholme

Sunday 8th September 3.45pm at St John's, Cullingworth;

Weds 11th September 3.30pm at St Matthew's, Wilsden.

Chat & Craft MacMillan Afternoon

On Friday 27th September, 2-4pm the Craft and Chat Group at St Matthew's, Wilsden, will be hosting a MacMillan Afternoon Tea. Go along for cakes and refreshments raising money to support the wonderful work of MacMillan Cancer Support. There will also be a Bring and Buy Stall so go and bag a bargain!

PRAYER REQUESTS TO: say14me@hotmail.com

If you know of anyone who would like prayer to be said on their behalf or on behalf of others please provide the above link or send the details on their behalf. Alternatively, please speak with any member of the ministry team. Please note that people can only be identified in the newsletter by name with their consent.

In your prayers this week please remember the following and, don't forget, we should never under estimate the power of prayer!

- our own ministry team, both ordained and lay;
- those around us who are ill and for those who love and care for them;
- children/young people who are starting new schools and universities;
- the families of all who have died or are missing in conflicts throughout the world;
- Organisations such as Medecins Sans Frontieres who provide nonpolitical medical in extremely hostile conditions;
- Both church and community groups who use our church spaces throughout the week;
- those who have been recently bereaved, especially the family and friends of Ben Cooper whose funeral will be held on Monday 2nd
 September at 1.00 pm; also the family and friends of Connie Smallbones

Daily Prayers on the Benefice Facebook page

8 am morning prayer 5 pm evening prayer 9 pm night prayer



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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)