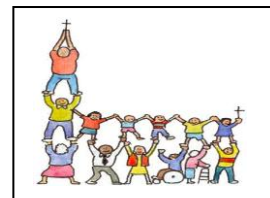


Denholme Shared Church

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

Three traditions One Faith



Newsletter for Sunday 20th September 2026

Lectionary readings for the day: –

Exodus 16: 2-5; Psalm 105: 1-6, 37-45; Philippians 1: 21-30,
Matthew 20:1-16

Morning Worship at 10.30 am led by Janice Le Blancq

Midweek Services on Wednesday 23rd September

10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth

11.00am Service at Laurel Bank

2.30pm Prayer and Cake at Harden



This week's ECO Fact & Challenge -

FACT: In 2008 global spending on international tourism reached \$946 million (source World Tourism Organisation). "All inclusive resorts" means that the money spent doesn't really benefit the local population.

CHALLENGE: Plan a holiday that complies with eco-tourism standards, ask your travel agent about this or visit www.responsibletravel.com



Benefice Men's Group – The Men's Group will be next meeting on Wednesday 14th October from 6.00 pm at Denholme Shared Church. There will be an evening of playing darts and a steak pie supper. Please contact Robert Priestley if you would like to go along.

Quote of the week: "The words of the tongue should have three gatekeepers: Is it true? Is it kind? Is it necessary?" – Nicky Gumbel

Little Stars toddlers - Every Friday morning in term time at Denholme Shared Church, 9.15-11.15 am. All pre-school children with parents/carers are very welcome. Lots of toys, crafts, new friends and fun as well as a lovely snack time break! No charge but voluntary donations welcome.

Denholme Voices – Meets every Thursday at Denholme Shared Church 7.00-8.45pm. New members welcome. Please contact Rob Priestley for any further details.

House Group – There are now two weekly groups; Monday at Cullingworth Vicarage and Thursday at the Rectory in Harden, 7-8.30 pm. Both groups are open to anyone Benefice wide and will cover the same chapter in Luke's Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles each week, so anyone can go to either, depending on which location or day works best for them. Each week we will look at one chapter (and with 52 chapters in Luke and Acts, that gives a neat plan for the year!).

Denholme Lego Group – Second Saturday of each month, 1.30-3.30pm at Denholme Shared Church. Next one will be Saturday 10th October. All ages welcome. £2 each and refreshments available.



DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS

Donations for refreshments in the month of September will go to A Rocha Eco Church. A Rocha UK is a Christian charity working to protect and restore the natural world and is committed to equipping Christians and churches in the



UK to care for the environment. Here, in Denholme, we joined the Eco Church scheme and, having already been awarded the Silver Award, we are currently working towards the Gold Award.



St Matthew's Craft and Chat



Group invite you to an **Afternoon Tea** with Bring'n'Buy on Friday 25th September 2pm till 4pm.

The event is in aid of **Macmillan Cancer Support**

This is a joint effort with Trinity Church who will hold a Coffee Morning with Cake Stall on Saturday 26th September from 10am till 12noon.



In previous winters we have been able to welcome people who are homeless in Bradford to spend the night at St Matthew's, Wilsden, as part of the Inn Churches Winter Shelter programme. There is no commitment at this stage but we just need an idea of whether or not there will be enough volunteers to make it possible again this year. If this is something you would be happy to help with please add your name to the sheet in church.



In your prayers this week please remember ...

- leaders and ministry teams in all churches, especially our denominational churches;
- victims of natural disasters whose needs continue long after news headlines have finished;
- the families of lost and missing persons;
- those in our villages who are struggling with declining physical, mental or emotional health;
- the members of our Shared Church Council as they meet on Monday evening;
- those involved in social care, especially those who deal with children's services;
- all those facing redundancy or seeking new employment;
- the bereaved and all those facing painful anniversaries.

Hewenden Benefice Daily Prayers can be found on the Benefice Facebook page  <https://www.facebook.com/hwcdbenefice>
8 am Morning Prayer 9 pm Night Prayer



THANK YOU! Denholme Shared Church is hugely grateful to all those who continue to support the Church financially. If you would like to donate or set up regular giving please send your gift to Denholme Shared Church Sort Code 30-63-55, account number 56734560. Please include your name as a reference, so we can thank you. Cheques can be sent to the Treasurer c/o Denholme Shared Church. Alternatively, you can scan this code to donate through Give a Little.



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