



This Week at Christchurch

Further details available from the Church Office and on the website at: www.christchurchilkley.org.uk

Monday 9th February	10:00	Toddlers Special
Tuesday 10th February	10:00	Weekday Welcomers
	10:30	Meditation Group
Wednesday 11th February	08:30	Wednesday Wizards
	10:00	Weekday Welcomers
	14:00	Wednesday Fellowship
Thursday 12th February	09:30	Prayer Fellowship
	10:00	Weekday Welcomers
Friday 13th February	10:30	Shopper's Service
	18:00	Jigsaw Fellowship
Sunday 15th February	19:00	Scope Youth Group



CHRISTCHURCH NOTICEBOARD



This Week

9:00am — 
 Mark 9: 2-9
Glimpsing the Divine

10:30am — Led by: Rev Rob Hilton

Next Week

9:00am — 
 Mark 1, 9-15
Out of the Wilderness

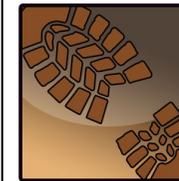
10:30am — Led by: Rev Lesley Taylor

10:30am Friday Shopper's Service — A twenty minute time of reflection
 20th February — Led by: Rev Dick Watson

Christchurch, The Grove, Ilkley - www.christchurchilkley.org.uk



Large print hymn books or word sheets of the hymns and songs are available at our morning services. Please ask a Steward.



Riddings Ramblers
 Friday 20th February
 Fancy going on a moderate walk and a pub lunch?
 Details inside.

Dear Members of Synod...
 Rev Dr. Elizabeth Smith writes to Synod

The Methodist Church 

Circuit Plans
 The new circuit plan for March to May is now available in the foyer. Please take a copy.



Christchurch is fitted with an induction loop system. Hearing aids should be set to "Telephone". You may need to adjust the volume.

15th February

St David's Day Concert
 Steeton Male Voice Choir with contributions by Christchurch Members
 Christchurch, The Grove, Ilkley
 7.30pm Saturday 28th February 2015

Steeton
 MALE VOICE CHOIR

Tickets £8 including refreshments are available from:

Malcolm Atkinson 01943 608479
 Christchurch Office 01943 603209
 Christchurch Café 10:00am-4:00pm
We will need helpers for this event, please contact Jenny Freeman if you are able to assist.



Date for your Diary—Women's World Day of Prayer Service

This service will be held at Ben Rhydding Methodist church on Friday March 6th 2015 at 2:00pm.

All will be very welcome

Mary Robinson



Emma Gibbons is planning to attend Visions of a Good Society an evening service for Church Action on Poverty Sunday, taking place at the Victoria Methodist Church in Norfolk Street, Sheffield at 6:30pm. If anyone else is thinking of going and would like to travel together please get in touch.



Deadline for items for the Sunday notice sheet is no later than the previous Wednesday morning. Items can be dropped in to the office, or preferably sent via email to office@christchurchilkley.org.uk



Prayer Opportunities at Christchurch

Our **Prayer Table** at the entrance to the Sanctuary offers helpful leaflets for private prayer .

The **Red Book** in the foyer is always available for written prayer requests.

Informal Prayer Meeting—Thursday Mornings 9:30am to 10:00am
Join us, you will be very welcome!

Please contact the **Prayer Chain** for urgent or special prayer needs:
Val Worrall (01943 601945) or Val Appleton (01943 430553)

Circuit Family Weekend— Theme: “The Best Is Yet To Come”

The Circuit Family Weekend will be held at the Raven Hall Hotel, Ravenscar on 20th–22nd of March 2015.

Prices from £165 per person (£50 deposit) contact Colin France on 07860 961963 to book your place.



Thank you

A big thank you to all those who so generously donated to help the young asylum seeker family in Bradford who have just lost their mother and have no money. We collected over £450 which was a fantastic sum. Thank you so much for your generous support.

Chris and Gary Knamiller

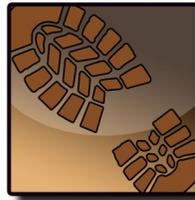
Riddings Ramblers

Friday 20th February.

Meet at Christchurch 9:30am for a moderate walk and a pub lunch. All welcome

Leaders: John & Dorothy Briggs

01943 602049



Dan's Den Company Board and Management Structure:

If you might be interested to know more, or want to understand these structures and think you may be able to offer some time and experience, the following opportunities will help, :

Tuesday 24th February at 7pm, and repeated at 8pm if needed - in the Fellowship Room off the Lower Hall, or Sunday 1st March 9.50 am (between services).



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Below is a copy of a letter from Chair of the District, Revd. Dr. Elizabeth A. Smith to Synod

The Methodist Church

Dear Members of Synod

I am writing to inform you that I have requested a curtailment of my appointment as Chair of the Leeds District from September 2016. Peter and I met with the District Chair's Nomination Committee last Saturday, and their acceptance of my request has now been reported to the members of the District Policy Committee, and to the President of Conference.

The decision to curtail my appointment two years earlier than the expected date of September 2018 has not been made lightly. However, in recent weeks as I have continued with the current cycles of chemotherapy treatment, I have had time to reflect upon what might be best both for Peter and I, and for the District,

There are good signs that the current treatment is being effective, but it will continue at least to the end of March. I have every hope therefore that I will be able to serve the district with a reasonable level of energy for the final year of my appointment from Conference 2015 - Conference 2016. Nevertheless, thinking of the longer term, and of Peter's health as well as my own, I have decided it is best that I lay down my current responsibilities in the summer of 2016. This will allow someone with more energy and fresh gifts and skills to make a contribution as Chair of District. It will also allow Peter and I to spend more time together - energy and health permitting.

I am deeply appreciative of the encouragement and prayerful support of so many in the district as we have negotiated the past three years. I also recognise the additional responsibilities that others have carried during this time in order for the work of the district to continue with minimal interruption. To so many, my deep thanks!

It continues to be an immense privilege to serve as the Chair of the Leeds District, and I hope that in the coming months I can be a little more visible around the district.

I know that you will give whatever support is necessary to the District Policy Committee and to the members of Chair's Nomination Committee, as they turn their attention to discerning the future needs of the District.

Wishing you every blessing,

Liz

A film about the life and work of Dietrich Bonhoeffer **Bonhoeffer Agent of Grace** will be shown here at Christchurch on Tuesday 3rd March at 7.30pm. This film gives a very good background for those in Housegroups reading **The Cost of Discipleship**. The film is an hour and a half, so should finish just after 9pm.

All Welcome!

