

Heworth Methodist Church

**Notices for 2 weeks Saturday 20th December to
Friday 2nd January**

Wishing you all a Peaceful and Blessed Christmas

Sunday 21st December

3.30pm at Heworth. We welcome **Sarah Haslam and Sarah Wright** to lead our Carol service.

Wednesday 24th December

8.00pm We welcome **Rev Andrew Foster** to lead our Christmas Eve service of Holy Communion.

Thursday 25th December

10.00am at Heworth. We welcome **Alyson Christy and Sarah Haslam** to lead our Christmas Day service.

Sunday 28th December

10.30am We welcome **Elizabeth Stockdale** to lead our morning service.

8.00pm Zoom service

In Advent we feel a 'hush of expectation', let us pause to hear the Angels and know that the 'drum beats of God's army are the heart beats of our love' (StF 188)

'Tell out my soul, the greatness of the Lord
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice,
Tender to me the promise of his word,
In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice!
(StF 186)

Saturday Coffee and Chat

10.00am to 11.30am in the Church Hall on the **20th and 27th December**.

Monday Prayers

9.00am in Church on the **22nd and 29th December**.

Monday Drop-In

9.30am to 11.30am in the Church Hall on the **22nd and 29th December**

Monday Toddler Group

9.30am to 11.30am will re-open on **5th January**

Tuesday Together in Prayer

9.30am to 10.00am by zoom on the **23rd and 30th December**

Wednesday Coffee Morning

10.00am to 11.00am in Field Court on the **24th and 31st December**.

'Little Ducklings' Thursday Toddler Group

1.30pm to 2.50pm will re-open on **8th January**

Banners, Knit and Natter

2.00pm in the Church Hall on **6th January**.

Wednesday On-line Fellowship Meeting

The next on-line Fellowship Meeting will be held on **7th January at 7.00pm**

Monday 29th December Christmas Social

12.30 Soup and a pudding will be served followed by games. Any volunteers willing to provide a pudding or a game please see Sarah Haslam

Pastoral Secretary Vacancy

Are the gifts of caring, communicating and co-ordinating within your calling?

Are you willing and able to help the church

administrator keep membership lists up to date?

Could you be part of a team that helps support precious pastoral contacts and pastoral visitors? (other team members include church administrator, safeguarding contact, Lay-Pastor)

If you feel you might have something to contribute, then please speak with Alyson to discuss further.

Thank you - Alyson

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New Treasurer required for Heworth

At the last Church Council in October 2025 I announced that I wished to retire from the role of Treasurer in the next 12 months .

I realise that anyone interested in applying for this position would first wish to understand what the role involved and whether it could be covered by more than one person.

I therefore welcome anyone contacting me to go through in more detail what is involved. Please give me a ring on York 424019 or see me at Church.

Richard Burnett

Thank you from Alyson

Thank you to each and everyone of you for your prayerful support and care over the last six weeks or so.

It has been greatly appreciated and helped hold my siblings and our families in God's Love as we 've celebrated and given thanks for our dad's life.

Alyson

Thank you from Peter Kitchin

Thank you for all your thoughts and prayers during my recent hospital treatment, they are all much appreciated

Come and share in some Taketime Advent Meditations

in church for about 30 minutes from 2.30pm on Tuesday 23rd December

Flourish 2026

Tickets for Flourish 2026 are now on sale.

Flourish is a big event run by our Methodist District with speakers, workshops and great worship across 13th-15th February 2026. Check out the Flourish

webpage <https://www.yorkshirenethodist.org/flourish26/> for exciting information about our 2026 theme

'Woven Threads' and speakers, or see more information about tickets and travel

here: <https://www.yorkshirenethodist.org/info-and-questions/>

We hope people will be able to attend for the whole weekend, especially as for York folk the event will be local this time! There is free parking at the University of York during the weekend. There will be various ticket prices as we hope those who can will support the event, but we don't want the cost to stop anyone attending.

Please note that if your children want to engage with the youth and children's work you will need to book tickets for the Children's or Youth streams (not an Under 18s main admission ticket)

Check out the Flourish brochure here:

<https://yorkmethodist.us7.list->

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Craft materials for Flourish

Please help us to create a community art work at Flourish in February 2026. We are making a big artwork at Flourish that can then be shared into smaller artworks for each circuit to take home with them. We want to keep the design a secret until the event itself but are asking for donations of materials to help us create a community masterpiece and be environmentally conscious. Please don't buy new materials but if you have any in your 'stash' that you would be willing to donate we would be grateful for them. See attached poster.

Please let Wendy have any donations

Planned Services to the end of January

4th Jan 10.30am – Rev Sue Swires (HC and Covenant)

11th Jan 10.30am – Will Swires

11th Jan 3.00pm – Messy Church

18th Jan 10.30am – Alyson Christy

25th Jan 10.30am – Vic Paylor

25th Jan 8.00pm – Zoom service – Sarah Haslam

Next Digest for 2 weeks from Saturday 3rd January -
Copy should be with Wendy
(hmcnotices@hotmail.co.uk) by the **morning** of **Weds**
31st December.

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