

## **Our Minister - Rev'd Christine Gillespie**

If anyone wishes to speak to Christine about church-related or pastoral matters she can be contacted by phone on 01977 682695.

### **Prayer Chain**

To request prayer for yourself or for someone else with their permission, please contact either Janet on [janetethomas1@gmail.com](mailto:janetethomas1@gmail.com) or Janis on 683653.

### **Joanna Project**

You will find our usual collecting box for Christmas gifts for the Joanna Project at the front of the worship area. Gifts of slipper socks, warm pyjama sets, perfume, makeup, non-alcoholic chocolates, warm fluffy socks, nail polish, toiletry gift sets or jewellery will be very much appreciated. I will be delivering our donations on Monday 9th December so please make your donation by Sunday 8th December at the latest. Thanks Hazel

### **THE ROLE OF A LOCAL PASTOR**

At the recent Circuit Meeting it was agreed that Heather Shipman, District Lead Local Pastor and Eileen Clarkson, Local Pastor in our circuit, be invited to the annual Local Preacher and Worship Leader training day to speak to us about the role of a Local Pastor. It was also agreed that this invitation be open to all in the circuit, not just Local Preachers and Worship Leaders, but to those who would like to come and listen to what should be an interesting talk about the local pastor role and what it involves, and to hear what they are doing in and around other circuits.

The day will start with refreshments from 9.30 am and the meeting will start at 10 am until 1 pm on **Saturday 23 November** (this weekend). If you wish please bring your own lunch and there will be time for further discussion. Tea and coffee will be provided throughout.

I would encourage you to take up the opportunity to come and share fellowship time with others around the circuit.

And finally, thank you to Brayton Methodist Church for hosting this event.

The address is: Brayton Methodist Church, Chapel Lane, off Brayton Lane, Brayton, Selby, YO8 9EE.  
Jackie Gaitley

### **Weekly Prayer in the Circuit**

Did you know that members of the circuit meet weekly to pray for the life and mission of the circuit?

We meet either on zoom or at Portholme each Thursday morning from 9-9.30am. This is open to everyone - it would be great to have you join us. Email Jackie Gaitley to be added to the list (which will tell you where we are meeting) [jacqueline.gaitley@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:jacqueline.gaitley@yahoo.co.uk)

### **Prayer for Advent**

On the 12th December 9am-10am at Portholme, Lydia will be leading some reflective/interactive prayer stations for Advent and Christmas. It will be followed by refreshments.

This will replace the weekly circuit prayer meeting.

### **Rolling pins**

On 3<sup>rd</sup> January we will be running a children's event for primary aged children. I need lots of rolling pins for a baking activity, so if you have one I can borrow please let me know as soon as you can, otherwise I will have to buy them. Thanks Janet Claydon

### **Ecumenical Home Fellowship, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November 7.30-9.00pm**

This week's fellowship meeting will take place on Monday 25th November, meeting at John & Janet Claydon's house (please contact Jenny on 07738735061 for address). This week will be led by Karen Gray (From the Crossgates Community). Subject: What do followers of Jesus in India today have in common with Wesley?

All are welcome

### **Hush the noise, join the love song this Christmas**

A series of Advent sessions on 3, 10, and 17<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm at Howden Methodist Church.

**Transport Volunteers:** We are in need of volunteers to help transport those unable to attend Sunday services. Please speak to Mike Curry if you feel you would be able to help with this.

**Collection of Jewellery etc:** The Fundraising Committee has suggested that one way to raise funds for the church would be to have an ongoing collection of unwanted new or old jewellery/watches etc containing silver or gold, which can then be sold to help fund some church improvements. For example, the recovering of the church chairs. Any donations will be gratefully received by Janis Wood