

Sherburn-in-Elmet Methodist Church
Notices for Week beginning 9 August 2026

Sunday 9 August Morning worship at 10.45am led by Dr Vanessa McLoughlin, We give a warm welcome to everyone, especially anyone joining us for the first time and any visitors.

Ministry Team:

Our ministry team: Rev. Ruth Gilson-Webb, Rev. Joseph Kwallah, Rev. Arthur Harbottle, and Mrs Eileen Clarkson can be contacted at contact-us@gooleselbymethodist.org.uk . Enquiries, requests, and church-related needs are best directed through the Stewards. However, other enquiries may be sent to sherburnmethodists@gmail.com .

Prayer Chain

To request prayer for yourself or for someone else with their permission, please contact either Janet Thomas on janetethomas1@gmail.com or Janis on 01977 310752.

CHURCH MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Thursday 13 August Circuit prayers

9.00am on Zoom

Saturday 15 August Coffee Morning

10am to 12pm all welcome

Sunday 16 August Morning worship

10.45am led by Fiona Fenton

Sunday 16 August Mission Area lunch

1pm (note later time) To book a place or places, please contact me by Monday 10 August by email bjbennett@talktalk.net or phone/text on: 07939 556 832 Bridget

Sunday 16 August River of Life multi-church celebration service

3pm at Trinity Goole. Barlby & Osgodby, Gilberdyke, Hemingbrough, Howden, North Duffield and Goole Trinity are becoming a multi-site church called the "River of Life" Methodist Church. Please come and join us as we celebrate together and ask for God's blessing on the future journey. Faith tea afterwards. Then, if you are able, please stay for the Celebration Praise and Prayer service at 6pm followed by supper.

Messy Church

It's with great sadness that I have to announce the decision to stop running messy church. The number of families attending has dropped dramatically over the last few months & it's now not viable to continue.

I would like to thank all who have supported messy church over so many years: it has always been appreciated. Everything works in cycles & we don't know what opportunities arise in the future. God bless Jenny

Funerals

As the number of stewards decreases, and the number of funerals increases, it can become a big responsibility for stewards to prepare for funerals each time. We would like to have a team of helpers we can ask, if they are available on the date of the funeral, to come and help the steward by welcoming people at the door and distributing hymn sheets etc. Thank you to those who have already volunteered. If you are willing to help occasionally, please speak to a steward.

FUTURE EVENTS

Thursday 20 August special church meeting

7pm at our church. Sue Cutting, Lay Superintendent of the Bridge Circuit, will lead a meeting is to discuss the vision and opportunities for establishing a **multi-site church**. We will discuss the benefits and challenges, share thoughts, suggestions and questions, and pray for God's wisdom and guidance as we seek his direction for the future of our church. Everyone is encouraged to come.

Sunday 30 August Shared worship at Portholme: "Shining stars"

10.45 am A time of celebration & recommitment to the light of Jesus shining within & through each church in our newly formed Mission Area

Tuesday 2 September Thinking local arrangements

7.30pm at Brayton

Ah! It's a Local Arrangement! What do we do? Who can help? What can we use? Come along ready to share, listen and encourage so that we equip and support one another in this particular form of ministry. Here is an opportunity to share experience, ideas, and resources that will help us prepare for Local Arrangements and encourage us on our way.

It will be helpful to know how many will be joining so please email John Claydon at john.richard.claydon@googlemail.com

Tuesday September 8th 2026 Mission Area gathering (venue TBC)

This is the first open to all gathering. Such meetings will happen throughout the year and are intended as relaxed times where we can share our hopes and ideas for how we can best support one another to grow – in our relationship with Christ and in existing or NEW ways across the Area...do come along!

MISSION AREA PRAYER DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

- 10 Family & schools' work: Messy Church and Open the Book
- 11 Carlton contacts into the community
- 12 Eggborough's welcome events for community
- 13 Local preachers and worship leaders
- 14 North Duffield connections in the village
- 15 Howden's monthly Extravagant Worship
- 16 Our local missional enablers initiative

USE OF CHURCH BUILDING BY COMMUNITY GROUPS

Tuesday:	Community Larder 8.00-10.00 am
Thursday	S.V.S. Chat In 10.00am – 1.00pm