

Denholme Shared Church

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



Three traditions One Faith

Newsletter for 17th August 2025

10.30 am – Communion Service Janice Le Blancq

Midweek Services on Wednesday

10.00am Communion at St Matthew's, Wilsden

10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth

2.30pm Personal Prayer at Harden

Prayer for the appointment of a new Rector

There is a prayer group who meet to pray about our new Rector.



The next meeting will be on **Monday 1 September** at 7pm on at the Vicarage in Cullingworth. Everyone is welcome to come along. This is a prayer which the group have been using, please join with them

Gracious and Sovereign God,

You are the Good Shepherd who never leaves or forsakes His flock.

We thank You for the faithful ministry that has gone before, and we entrust the future of our church into Your hands.

Raise up a Rector after Your own heart—someone filled with wisdom, humility, courage, and compassion.

Give our selection committee discernment, patience, and unity.

Prepare the heart of the one You are calling even now, and prepare our hearts to receive them with grace and support.

May Your Kingdom come and Your will be done in our church family.

In Jesus' name, Amen



Messy Church Needs Your Help!

We're busy planning some brilliant crafts for Messy Church and could make good use of your empty cereal boxes. Instead of putting them in the recycling bin, please bring them to church (flattened if possible) and pop them in the collection box by the door. Your cereal box could become part of an amazing Messy Church creation. We also need SMALL glass jars or little glass pots that some deserts are sold in plus ribbons and sparkly fabric strips— thank you for your help!

MESSY CHURCH NEEDS YOUR

We're looking for:

- cereal boxes
- small glass jars
- ribbons and sparkly fabric scraps



PLEASE BRING THEM TO CHURCH



WELL BEING CAFÉ

The next gathering of the Well Being Café will be at St Matthew's in Wilsden on **Tuesday 26 August at 2pm** until 3.30pm. It is a great place to come along if you are beginning to struggle with memory, if you have dementia or are caring for someone who has, or if you would just like some company on a Tuesday afternoon! We enjoy drinks and chat and we usually have a jigsaw on the go! It's a very friendly afternoon! Come along and join in!



Activities for Children in Denholme during the school holidays

If you are looking after children don't forget every Friday in Foster Park there is a 'Play in the Park' session from 11.00-3.00pm. Free activities which vary each week. The Library have a free craft session on **Tuesday 19 August** from 2.00-3.30pm in the DMI relating to the Summer Reading theme of Story Garden.



DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS this month will go to Denholme Community Gardens, a local charity and group of volunteers who keep Denholme blooming!



How appropriate that we still have on display the Doves for Peace. Various events this week have reminded us that we should always strive for peace. The 80th anniversary of VJ Day, when we remembered those who gave their lives for peace. The talks trying to resolve the situation in Ukraine. Peace will come from talking not from war.

Let's pray for a more peaceful and just world for all.

O God, who would fold both heaven and earth
in a single peace; that the design of your great love lighten
upon the waste of our wraths and sorrows
and give peace to your church, peace among nations,
peace in our dwellings and peace in our hearts;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

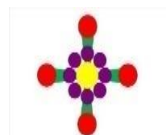


In your prayers this week please remember ...

- Those leading worship this Sunday in all our local churches;
- Those receiving exam results and planning the next stage whether it is moving to college, university or seeking apprenticeships or employment.
- the farmers who are in the midst of harvest, providing food for our tables;
- the work of Jesus Shaped People and the churches they are working with;
- those who are on annual leave from work that they have a time of rest and restoration;
- the volunteers who give their time to Denholme Community Gardens;
- the bereaved and those facing painful anniversaries.



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