

Denholme Shared Church

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



Three traditions One Faith

Newsletter for 24th August 2025

10.30 am – Service of Holy Communion with Revd Liz Moy
1.30 pm – we welcome Kirsty Hagyard and Luke Stafford for the baptism
of their little girl – Maya Rose Stafford

Midweek Services on Wednesday

10.00am BCP Eucharist at Cullingworth 2.30pm Prayer and Cake at Harden

United Benefice Service: Next Sunday 31st August 10.30am

Sunday 31st August will be the fifth Sunday of August. On that Sunday we will have just one service in the Benefice which will be at **10.30am** at St Saviour's Church, Harden.

If anyone would like a lift please see either Judith or Janice but please note there will **not** be a service at Denholme

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 1st September at 7pm at the Vicarage in Cullingworth. Everyone is welcome to come along.

This is a prayer which the group has 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.



ECO CHURCH UPDATE

Chris and Rob are busy with improvements to the Eco Garden including supporting the newly planted trees and refurbishment of the

water feature. Three frogs

seem to have taken up home in the garden as they were disturbed whilst working on the improvements. This one is called Freddy!



On a separate note, but still with Eco Church in mind, don't forget to buy the lovely seasonal vegetables and fruits, all grown in the UK!



DONATIONS FOR REFRESHMENTS this month will go to Denholme Community Gardens.

Quote of the week: - "Peace is costly but it is worth the expense" African proverb



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 ribbons and sparkly fabric strips plus SMALL glass jars or little glass pots that some deserts are sold in and clean empty glass jars (jam jar size or smaller like baby food jars) for lantern making, also coloured magazine paper (magazines/ supplements/catalogues etc) for collage making and pictures of food (from supermarket adverts etc) for harvest activities. Thank you for your help - we will show you the results!

In your prayers this week please remember ...

- All those responsible for the smooth running of our local churches, both ministry and lay members;
- Everyone involved in the recruiting process for the new Team Rector;
- Our partners in the United Reformed and Baptist Churches;
- Young people who have received exam results recently, that they may be able to move forward in a direction of their choice;
- The family and friends of Denis Johnstone who died recently;
- Those who are working this Bank Holiday weekend to provide essential services;
- Pray for continued awareness of how we can all play a part in protecting our climate and environment.

WELL BEING CAFÉ

The next gathering of the Well Being Café at St Matthew's in Wilsden will be on **Tuesday 26th 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 drinks and chat and we usually have a jigsaw on the go! It's a very friendly afternoon! Come along and join in!

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The Church is also part of the Benefice of Harden, Wilsden, Cullingworth and Denholme

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Team Rector: Vacancy

Team Vicar: Revd Alison Young 01535 270687 <u>alison.young@leeds.anglican.org</u> Associate Priest: Revd Liz Moy 01535 654991 zilyom@btinternet.com

(Days off: Alison Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Liz – Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday)

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