

# CIRCUIT NEWSLETTER

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Called to Serve  
JUNE 2024



*Dear Friends...*

I cannot believe it is 42 years since I started in Circuit ministry. We were sent to the Blaydon Circuit and the Dunston section which is where the Metro Centre is now in Gateshead. Politically it was a difficult time with the closure of both the Pits and the Shipbuilding Industry. They were the staple diets of the communities I served. These years have flown by and indeed my time in the Driffield Hornsea Circuit has been the shortest appointment I have had which has been made even shorter with being President of the Conference for a year and the onslaught of Covid 19. But thankfully the Circuit is now in a much better place to move forward with hope and vision to the future.

There are some friendships which are basic to life, formative and so precious. One can never be thankful enough for them, and that needs saying. But in this letter, I am thinking of friendships which have not been as intimate as these, nor, often, of such long standing.

I think of Tom, in my first appointment, who was a Head Teacher in a large difficult Comprehensive School in Gateshead. He worked tirelessly for the betterment of education for the young people in his care. He had a photographic memory. He did his own schoolwork as a child in the outside toilet with a paraffin lamp for light. His Father was a Miner and was drunk most of the time he was at home. His care for me as a very young minister was profound.

Or I think of Stella from North Northumberland. We lived a long way from our family, so their physical input was not around. But Stella was like a loving Grandmother to my two sons. That relationship has remained all these years later. She had no need to give herself in the way she did-but she did!

I could continue to mention people in great numbers from every Circuit and appointment I had had the privilege to serve, but Tom and Stella are enough to remind us that the Church is a factory where saints are being made, ordinary people like you and me, at different points on the assembly line but moving on by the grace of God.

Sue and I had bought a house to retire in Driffield before we were sent here, so it will be good to see friends after I 'sit down'. I do hope you will be able to attend the Circuit Service on Sunday 14th July at 3pm, at Driffield Methodist Church whereas friends together we can be thankful for each other in Christ Jesus.

With thanks and appreciation,

*Rev Dr Richard Teal*

## Special Events and Notices

Wetwang Methodist Chapel are hosting a Bring and Share Lunch following their 10.30am Chapel Anniversary Service.  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

Hutton Cranswick Quiz Night! £8 per person including supper.  
For Tickets, call 07534590563 / 07951385150.  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June, 7.00pm

New Ellerby are holding a Coffee Morning and raffle at Brandesburton Methodist Church to Raise money for New Ellerby Chapel.  
15<sup>th</sup> June, 10am - 12noon.

Drifffield Methodist Church will be holding an Open Gardens Day, to Celebrate the re-dedication of the Prayer Garden. Visit [www.drifffieldprayergarden.com](http://www.drifffieldprayergarden.com) for more details.  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 10am (with the rededication service at 9:45am)

An Exhibition of Farming in the Past at Skirlaugh CE School, HU11 5EB  
Admission £2 adults, Accompanied children free. Pay at the gate.  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 10am - 4pm

Over the weekend 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> June Skirlaugh LEP have a Flower Festival "Through all the Changing Scenes of Life" in the Church and village.  
Please contact [skirlaughchurch@gmail.com](mailto:skirlaughchurch@gmail.com) for further details.  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June, 7.30pm / Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 10am-8pm / Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June, 10am-6.30pm

Hornsea Methodist Church will be holding its annual Charities Day. Local and National charities will have a tabletop sale, and Tea and coffee will also be served. All are welcome.  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 10am - 12noon

As a Circuit we are exploring the possibility of setting up a Caravan Chaplaincy Project. For more details and how you can help, please contact Deacon Jackie Fowler at:  
01964 204090; [deaconjackie23@gmail.com](mailto:deaconjackie23@gmail.com)

### Advanced Notice

**Beeford:** Annual 'Afternoon Tea in the Garden' on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July from 2.00pm to 4.00pm, at Wilivia, Rectory Lane, Beeford YO25 8BA. Everyone welcome! Please get in touch with Gill on 01262 488900 if you would like further information, (or even if you fancy doing a bit of weeding!!)

**Brandesburton:** 'Holiday at Home' Day on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 10.30am - 3.30pm. There will be various activities, lunch, tea, and fun! For further details please contact Deacon Jackie.

# REGULAR EVENTS AROUND THE CIRCUIT

## Aldbrough

2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday	10:00am	Coffee Morning
2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	2:15pm	Bible Study
Last Tuesday	2:15pm	Network

## Beeford

2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	9:00am	Bacon Butties
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## Brandesburton

Fortnightly Mondays	Bible Study - for further details, contact Hazel Adamson	
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## Driffield

Mondays	9:00am	Toastie Tots
	2:00pm	Banner Group
Mondays & Wednesdays	1:30pm	Chat and Games
Tuesdays	2:15pm	Tuesday Fellowship
Wednesdays	10:30am	Worship on Wednesdays
Saturdays	10:30am	Coffee and Conversation

## Hornsea

Fortnightly Tuesdays	7:30pm	Singing Group
Wednesdays	2:00pm	Afternoon Fellowship
Thursdays	10:00am	Prayers and Bible Study
Fridays	10:30am	Shoppers Service
Saturdays	10:00am	Coffee Morning

## Hutton Cranswick

Mondays	4:30pm	Prayer Meeting
Tuesdays - House Groups	7:30pm	Multiple locations - ask within the Church
1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of Month	9:30am	Men's Group - Cranswick Garden Centre
Fridays	11:00am	Friday Friends

## Leven

Wednesdays 10:00am Drop in for a Coffee and Chat

## Lund

Tuesdays 10:00am Coffee Morning in the Chapel Hall

## Nafferton

Mondays 10:00am Mustard Seed Café  
7:00pm Singing for Fun  
6:45pm Ecumenical Prayer Meeting  
Tuesdays 9:15am Little Bears  
Wednesdays 10:30am Activities Group  
1:30pm Social/Craft Group  
Thursdays 6:45pm Ecumenical Study Group

## New Ellerby

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 10:00am Coffee Morning followed by lunch  
and informal worship  
Fortnightly Wednesdays 2:00pm Men in Sheds

## Skirlaugh

Tuesdays 9:30am Coffee Morning  
Wednesdays 1:30pm Women's Bible Study

## The Wolds

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 10:30am Coffee Morning

## Wetwang

Mondays 7:00pm Youth Club  
Fortnightly Tuesdays 9:30am Open the Book  
Wednesdays 10:00am Coffee Morning

The next Circuit newsletter will be issued on Thursday 20th June (in Churches by Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June).  
Please send any items for inclusion by 8am on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June.

## Circuit Office

Please contact Alice to check she is in the Office before you travel!  
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