

CIRCUIT NEWSLETTER


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MARCH 2025



Luke chapter 19 verses 28 – 40; Chapter 23 verses 44 – 49 and Chapter 24 verses 1 -12

Dear Friends...

The liturgical calendar of the church seems to roll around quickly at this point in the year. No sooner have we travelled through Christmas and Epiphany than we are starting to think about Lent, Holy Week and Easter. While in one sense Easter seems a fair distance away – it is April 20th this year, almost as late as it can be – in another, a trip down to the shops this morning (It is the end of January as I write this) where Easter Eggs galore were on the shelves, reminded me that it will soon be here.

The season of Lent is observed and used by many Christians as an opportunity to reflect upon and examine their own lives and relationship with God and with others. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, this 40- day period leads us to the celebration of Palm Sunday. If you read the stories at the top of this page, you will find the first one tells of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

A few years ago, I was fortunate enough to be in Barcelona on Palm Sunday. I have no idea what language was being used – Latin? Spanish? Catalan? But every time the priest spoke a sentence, about 20 nuns with huge palm branches would sing a response and wave their palms in a much more exuberant way than we are used to observing or practicing in our own services.

Anyone who only comes to church on a Sunday can easily jump from the celebration of Palm Sunday to the celebration of Easter day. However, we must also consider what happens in-between and the events of Holy Week, which culminate in the death of Jesus on the Cross (2nd reading above). To fully rejoice in the news of Easter Day, we must be fully aware of the cost paid by Jesus on Good Friday. We might also wish to reflect upon the enduring mystery and silence of Easter Saturday.

The events of Holy Week remind us that God is with us in times of difficulty and hardship as well as being with us in our times of joy and there is no greater joy than that experienced by the disciples as they discover the empty tomb (our 3rd reading above). This is of course, the heart of the Good News. Through his death and resurrection, Jesus has conquered death once and for all. That is the central message of hope that Christianity offers the world. We are not here to make moral judgements upon people or to make condescending noises about the lifestyle others may pursue. We are here to preach Christ crucified and risen from the dead. A message of hope, delivered in love to a world that over 2000 years on, still needs to hear it.

May you know the presence of God throughout Lent, Holy Week, Easter and beyond.

Rev Peter Barnett



Drifffield Methodist Church will be hosting the Maasai Warriors Dancers in conjunction with Kwallah's Music in Yorkshire, on the 21st of March 2025.

All are welcome and Donations are Required.
For more details contact Rev Joseph Kwallah at:
joseph.kwallah@methodistchurch.org

Christians together in Hornsea are organizing a Shrove Tuesday event in aid of Christian Aid. Pancakes, tea and coffee will be served at Hornsea Methodist Church, along with a cake stall. All are Welcome.
Shrove Tuesday (4th March), 10am - noon

Hutton Cranswick will be having a united service for World Day of Prayer at St Peter's Church, Hutton/
7th March, 2.30pm

Hutton Cranswick are holding a united Lent course at Chapel, including Episodes from 'The Chosen'.
Wednesdays, March 12th - April 16th, 7pm for 7.30pm start

Hutton Cranswick will be holding an Interactive Murder Mystery at Chapel. Tickets £10
Saturday 22nd March, 7pm

All members are invited to attend this year's Christian Aid Changemakers' Conference that District are live streaming at Toll Gavel United Church. District will give you the opportunity to share thoughts and ideas afterwards for half an hour if you wish to stay.
Coffee will be available from 10 am
Contact Alice in the Circuit Office for more details.
Saturday March 8, 10.30am - 1pm

The Wolds Methodist Church will be holding an Ash Wednesday Circuit Service, Led by Pastor John Gleaves
Ash Wednesday (5th March), 7pm

REGULAR EVENTS AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Aldbrough

2 nd Saturday	10.00am	Coffee Morning
2 nd Tuesday	2.15pm	Bible Study
Last Tuesday	2.15pm	Network

Beeford

2 nd and 4 th Saturday	10.00am	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
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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
Fridays	10.30am	Shoppers Service
Saturdays	10.00am	Coffee Morning

Hutton Cranswick

Mondays	4.30pm	Prayer Meeting
Tuesdays	7.30pm	House Groups - ask within the Church
Fridays	10.30am	Friday Friends
1 st Saturday of Month	9.30am	Mens Group - Cranswick Garden Centre
Fortnightly Saturdays	2.00pm	Art Group

Leven

Wednesdays 10.00am Drop in for a Coffee and Chat

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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

1st & 3rd Saturday 10.00am Coffee Morning
Fortnightly Wednesdays 2.00pm Men in Sheds

Skirlaugh

Tuesdays 9.30am Coffee Morning
Wednesdays 1.30pm Women's Bible Study

The Wolds

3rd Wednesday 10.30am Coffee Morning

Wetwang

Mondays 7.00pm Youth Club
Wednesdays 10.00am Coffee Morning

The next Circuit Newsletter will be published on Thursday 27th March (For distribution on Sunday 30th March)

Please send any items for inclusion in the next Circuit newsletter by 8am on Wednesday 26th March.

Circuit Office

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

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- March 7th - 14th