

CIRCUIT NEWSLETTER



OCTOBER 2026



Dear Friends...

A few months ago I was preparing for retirement, or, in Methodist terms, I was preparing to 'sit down.' By now I expected to be sitting on a deck chair in Bridlington. (Bridlington is where our retirement home is)! I was however made aware of and received an invitation to serve in this circuit and to offer pastoral care at Aldbrough, Brandesburton and Hornsea. Believing that I have more to give I was delighted to accept the invitation on a part-time basis.

Between 31st August and 1st September this year, something interesting happened. I became new! Well, since then, people have been referring to me as their 'new' minister.

I don't feel new, I don't look any different today to how I looked yesterday, last week or last month! However, I am in a 'new' circuit, serving 'new' churches, meeting 'new' people and God, Rev 21:5 tells us that he is making all things 'new!' But first we are told that there is to be "no more death or mourning or crying or pain," As we look around the world in which we live, people are still dying and being mourned, there are tears being shed and there is much pain, this is because we are most obviously still living in the old order of things where death and mourning, crying and pain are experiences which are all too common to us and many around the world.

Thankfully, we don't have to wait for heaven and earth to pass away for the new order of things to come, because there is a sense in which the new order is already upon us. 'I am making everything new!' says God. He doesn't say 'I'm thinking about making everything

new' or, 'One day I'll get around to it.' But '**I am** making all things new.' This I believe is God's promise to us in the here and now. That He, if we allow Him too, will make all things new, including our lives.

In this new church year, God, I believe, has something new for each and everyone of us; a new blessing to give, a new lesson to teach us, new experiences to share with us.

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is the faithfulness of the Lord." Lamentations 3:22–23

Are we open to receive new blessings, to allow God to do something new in us, through us and amongst us? In our lives, our churches and our circuit?

A further thought leads me to ask one further question, and I leave this thought with you. How about doing something new for God? What new thing might that be?

Prayerfully yours,



Rev Graham Morgan



Special Events and Notices

Harvest Festival services around the circuit

Most churches held their Harvest Festival in September, but two are taking place in October:

Aldbrough: Sunday 4th October, 10:45 am, led by Rev Graham Morgan

Beeford: Sunday 4th October, 10:30 am, led by Rev John Fisher

Global Week of Prayer at Driffeld – note of thanks

Driffeld church was open for prayer at various times during the week beginning 6th September, as part of the Global Week of Prayer initiative. The following message of thanks has been shared:

"As we closed the prayer room in Driffeld Methodist Church I am delighted to say that over 50 people have been involved with our contribution to the Global week of prayer. We have hosted small groups, individuals and groups for worship and prayer. Many thanks to all who supported this ministry. Please continue to pray for our world as we face these troubled times."

Wear It Pink Day at Hornsea

On **23rd October, between 2 pm and 4 pm**, tea, coffee and cake will be available at Hornsea in aid of the Breast Cancer Now charity. All are welcome.

Reparative Justice: A Conversation Across the Methodist Church – in-person event in York

This connexional year, the Methodist Church is doing work on reparative justice for the transatlantic trade in enslaved African people, with the intention of bringing recommendations to the 2027 Methodist Conference on how the Church might respond in the light of our history.

As part of a consultation of people across the Connexion on what the Church should do, there is an in-person event at the **Priory Street Centre in York, on Saturday 10th October between 11 am and 3 pm**. The interactive event will explore new historical research, contemporary legacies and our theology, and give people a chance to contribute to the consultation. The event is free, but booking is necessary and there is a maximum capacity of around 35 people. Booking closes on **Sunday 4th October**. The link to the online booking page is [here](#) (if viewing the Newsletter electronically). Alternatively, you can contact the Circuit Office **by 12 noon on Friday 2nd October** to request a link to the booking page, or to have a place reserved on your behalf.

The consultation will also include online events, materials for local groups to run sessions and an online survey.

Please send items for the October Newsletter to the Circuit Office by the end of **Thursday 22nd October**.

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Thomas's usual working hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, between approximately 10 am and 3 pm, although there is no guarantee that he will always be working during these times. He usually works from the Circuit Office in Driffield on Mondays and from home on Wednesdays and Fridays, but will sometimes be in the office on other days. Please contact him before going to the office to ensure he is there to meet you.

REGULAR EVENTS AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Aldbrough

2 nd Saturday	10.00am	Coffee Morning
2 nd Tuesday	2.15pm	Bible Study
Last Tuesday	2.15pm	Tuesday Fellowship
Last Saturday	2-4pm	Board games & chat

Beeford

2 nd and 4 th Saturday	10.00am	Bacon Butties
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Drifffield

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
Fridays	10.30am	Shoppers Service
Saturdays	10.00am	Coffee Morning

Hutton Cranswick

Mondays	1.30pm	House Group
	3.30pm	Prayer Meeting
1 st Saturday	9.30am	Men's Group - Cranswick Garden Centre
Fortnightly Saturdays	2.00pm	Art Group in the Chapel Hall

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Tuesdays	10.00am	Coffee Morning in the Chapel Hall
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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 st & 3 rd 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

3 rd Wednesday	10.30am	Coffee Morning
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