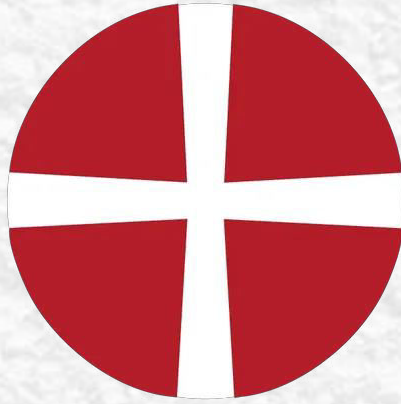


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Barnsley Circuit

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We give thanks for the life of the Rev Louise Carr and acknowledge her service to the Circuit.
We continue to hold her family and friends in our prayers.

Dear friends,

As we are always working more than a few steps ahead of ourselves with the plan, it can sometimes feel as though we are wishing the weeks and months away more quickly than we should. But needs must and so here we are, with our March-May plan covering the whole of the period of Lent and Easter – and beyond.

As last year, all those chapels holding a service on Easter day will be sharing in an extended communion service. This will allow us all to partake in the same manner, regardless of the availability of ordained presbyters.



In the past, as an ordained minister, it has been a dilemma as to which of the churches/chapels in my care I should be present at on Easter Day. A dilemma because, no matter how hard I tried, I have never been able to be at them all. As such, this has meant some congregations have been denied the blessing of sharing in Holy Communion on this most important of days.

The practise adopted by the Barnsley circuit, of all congregations sharing in a service of extended communion, is a particular joy and blessing; something I consider to be just one of the many gifts the circuit offers.

As last year, we will be providing opportunity for the consecrated elements of bread and wine to be collected from services during Holy Week, so that, at whatever time and in whichever building we gather on Easter Day, we will be united as we remember and celebrate the resurrection of our dear Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Yours, in Christ,

Lyn

Easter Services		
Ash Wednesday – 5th March		Maundy Thursday - 17 th April
7pm Circuit Service at Brierley		6pm at Brierley – Passover meal followed by Holy Communion 7pm at Emmanuel – Tenebrae service (extinguishing of lights)
Good Friday Service – 18 th April		Good Friday Walk of Witness – 18 th April
10.45am at Higham – Christian Endeavour Service 11.30am at Emmanuel 12 noon at Pilley 3pm at Kexborough – (followed by tea) 3pm at Wombwell 7pm at Staincross		10.45am at Dodworth leaving Rosehill WR Chapel 11am at Hemsworth 11am at Staincross
Holy Saturday – 19 th April		Scratch Easter
10am at Monk Bretton – chocolate coffee morning 7pm at Hoyland & Birdwell service with Holy Communion		10am Monday 7 th April at Deangate Nursing Home 2pm - Tuesday 15 th April at Mapplewell Manor 1.30pm - Wednesday 16 th April at Mapleton Court
Easter Sunday – 20 th April – see preaching plan		
Lent Bible Studies		
10am at Hoyland & Birdwell on: Mon 10 th /17 th /24 th /31 st March and 7 th April	7.15pm at Monk Bretton on: Mon 3 rd /10 th /31 st March and 7 th April / 14 th April	3.30pm at Emmanuel on: Thurs 6 th /13 th /20 th / 27 th March and 3 rd April

March to May 2025 Barnsley 25/15	2nd March Sunday before Lent	9th March Lent 1	16th March Lent 2	23rd March Lent 3	30th March Lent 4	6th April Lent 5	13th April Palm Sunday	20th April Easter Day	27th April Easter 2	4th May Easter 3	11th May Easter 4	18th May Easter 5	25th May Easter 6
Principal Reading (Year C)	Luke 9:28-36 (37-73)	Luke 4:1-13	Luke 13:31-35	Luke 13:1-9	Luke 2:33-35	John 12:1-8	Luke 23:1-49	John 20:1-18	John 20:19-31	John 21:1-19	John 10:22-30	John 13:31-35	John 14:23-29
Special Sundays					Mothering Sunday				Low Sunday		Christian Aid Week		Aldersgate Sunday

Streamed Worship weekly at 10.30am - Fb Link each week available on Barnsley Methodist Community Contemporary Worship 7pm - Brierley 5th March / 2nd April / 7th May and Emmanuel 19th March / 16th April / 21st May

North West - Rev Lyn Gregg

Buckley	Saturday after coffee morning	11:15 am	-	8th - Gregg	-	22nd - Rawlinson	-	5th - LA	-	-	-	3rd - LA	-	17th - Evans	-
Buckley	Sunday	10:30 am	Tewson (Car)	-	Ashton	-	LA	-	Dawson	Aggrey LSe	Gregg B	-	Gregg LFGA / LS	-	LA
Pogmoor	Tuesday @ Treddlehoyle	2:30 pm	4th - Rawlinson	-	-	-	1st - Gregg	-	-	-	-	6th - Gregg	-	-	-
Dodworth	Sunday	10:30 am	Dawson	LA	Gregg LS	Aggrey	Stammers	Lodge	LA	Gregg LSe	LA	Dawson	Evans	Peet	Furusa
Emmanuel	Sunday	10:00 am	BS Own Arr	Gregg LS / GD	Lodge	LA	Gregg	Platts	Halliday (Car)	M Sanderson LSe	LA	BS Own Arr	Dawson	Stammers	Gregg LS
Higham	Sunday	4:00 pm	Rawlinson LS	-	Gregg	-	Gregg	-	Rawlinson	-	LA	-	Gregg LS	-	Gregg
Kexborough	Sunday	10:30 am	Girls' Brigade	LA	Reid (Car)	Gregg LS	LA	M Sanderson	Taylor	Ashton LSe	LA	Gregg LS	Praed	Lodge	LA

North East - Rev Claire Rawlinson

Monk Bretton	Sunday	10:30 am	Praed GD	Own Arr Chr. Aid	Stammers	Rawlinson LS	Haigh	Dawson	Gregg	Reason LSe	LA	Platts	LA	Rawlinson Café	Aggrey
Staincross	Sunday	10:30 am	Gregg	LA	Furusa	UTD @ Monk Bretton	Rawlinson	Gamewell	Buckingham	Webster LSe	LA	Halliday (Car)	E Sanderson LS	Webster	Peet
Brierley	Sunday	10:30 am	Stammers	Haigh	Webster	Peet	Dawson	Gregg	Evans	Rawlinson LSe	LA	Ashton	Hague	Reid (Car) LS	Taylor
Hemsworth	Sunday	10:30 am	Taylor	Buckingham	Reason	UTD @ Brierley	Praed	Rawlinson CA	Furusa	E Sanderson Lse	LA	Gamewell	M Sanderson	Dawson LS	LA
Ryhill	Sunday	6:00 pm	Gregg	-	Rawlinson	-	Rawlinson	-	Aggrey	Rawlinson LSe	LA	-	Rawlinson LS	-	LA
New Hope Fellowship	Tuesday	2:00 pm	-	11th - Evans	-	25th - Rawlinson	-	8th - Rawlinson	-	22nd - No Service	-	-	13th - Rawlinson	-	27th - Peet
Mapplewell Manor	Sunday	2:00 pm	-	Irwin Lse	-	-	-	-	-	Rawlinson LS	-	-	-	Rawlinson LS	-

South - Rev Claire Rawlinson

Darfield Wesley	Sunday	10:30 am	Rawlinson LS	M Sanderson	Dawson	LA	Evans CA	Aggrey	LA	Haigh LSe	LA	Peet	UTD @ Gt Houghton	Taylor	Hague
Great Houghton	Sunday	10:30 am	Gamewell	Taylor	LA	Ashton	Peet	Ashton	Stammers	Dawson LSe	LA	Aggrey	Rawlinson LS	Gregg	LA
Wombwell	Sunday	10:30 am	Platts	E Sanderson LS	Peet	LA	Tewson (Car)	Taylor	Rawlinson	Halliday (Car) LSe	LA	Reason	UTD @ Gt Houghton	Haigh	Praed
Hoyland & Birdwell	Sunday	10:30 am	Peet CA	Aggrey	Rawlinson LS	LA	Reason	E Sanderson	Tewson (Car)	Praed LSe	LA	Rawlinson		Ashton	LA
Pilley	Sunday	3:00 pm	-	Gregg	-	Rawlinson LS	-	Peet	-	Gregg LSe	-	Rawlinson		Gregg	LA

B - Baptism	Chr. Aid - Christian Aid	LFGA - Ladies Fellowship Group Anniversary
BS - Be Still	GD - Gift Day	Own Arr - Own Arrangement
(Car) - Transport Required	LS - Holy Communion	UTD - United Service
CA - Church Anniversary	LSe - Extended Communion	
LA - Church Stewards & Worship Leaders to make own arrangements for this service		

- ❖ Provide opportunities and resources to help chapels offer a positive invitation to people and to be genuinely welcoming
- ❖ Share across the Circuit positive and encouraging information about events and initiatives



Shining Stars



Shining stars was the theme for the North West Church over Advent and Christmas.

During the Autumn we decided to decorate the chapels in the North West, with **stars over Advent and Christmas**.

We invited the members and groups who use the chapels, including Brownies and Girls' Brigade to add to the collection. We shared this initiative across the North West Church and put on sessions in each of the chapels where we came together to **make stars** and enjoy fellowship, encouraging people to come along and share this time with us.

The chapels have embraced this, and the photographs show how they decorated their spaces.



The **stars** were made from all sorts of materials, wool, straws, paper, and wood to mention a few.

The finished **stars** were displayed in the chapels, and many were hung on the chapel christmas trees.

We invited everyone to take one for themselves or pass on to somebody else.



Many services during December were themed around **stars**, where we shared the good news of **shining stars** and Jesus' birth.

We feel that this small initiative sits within the Evangelism aspect of our mission plan

Could your chapel or church do something like this?

As we approach Easter how can we invite others to think about what the cross means to them?

❖ **Provide space in each Circuit Newsletter for one Church or the Circuit Leadership Team to focus on their work seeking to meet local needs**

Kexborough Lunch Club

The Kexborough lunch club (North West Church) has run successfully, in its current format, for almost 2 years now, with 30 regular members and around 6 on the reserve list taken from the local area.

A two-course hot lunch is provided each week and is cooked and served by members of the South Yorkshire Community Payback Team.

A team of 5 or 6 arrive with a supervisor and they put out and set the tables, prepare the food, serve it and wash up before leaving everything spotless.



This is our biggest Mission project at Kexborough and we are proud of the links we have made within our local community, specifically with the older generation, many of whom live alone.

Many of our club members now also come to support coffee mornings and other events we hold at chapel. The fellowship that has developed is warm and caring.

Advice on securing allowances, blue badges and other support services is shared along with knitting patterns, craft projects and items for shoebox appeals!

We have celebrated significant birthdays, a diamond wedding anniversary, the late Queen's Jubilee, the Coronation and church festivals throughout the year.

For many it is the pleasure of going out and eating with others that is important.

Friendships from primary school have been rediscovered and new ones established.

Conversations get noisier as the room fills up and then quietens as the meal is served.

I never need to look up to see when service is complete!

We are all really grateful for the support that we have had from the Mission Grants enabling this important outreach work to thrive. Initially we had a £500 grant to start up and also received items from other chapels as they closed.

Our second grant enabled us to replace the old cooker when it became unreliable.

We look forward to Lunch Club continuing. If you are interested in being on our reserve list please contact Chris Harrington.

Mission grants of up to £500 are available from Circuit mission fund.

What ideas do you have to open your chapel to meet your communities needs?

❖ Arrange training for Local Preachers, Worship Leaders and others who wish to lead worship, study groups or other online activities

What!? Another local arrangement!!

When you see another LA on the plan does it make your heart sink?

If so, this one day session may be what you need.



music



words

Local Arrangements: problem or opportunity?

An open session for all
Saturday March 29th, 10am to 3pm
Hoyland & Birdwell Methodist Chapel

Lunch provided

Led by Michael and Rev Eileen Sanderson



prayers



nature

Come and gain confidence in preparing acts of worship.

You will have chance to learn about:

- how to structure a service,
- the resources available to help you, and how to use them,
- what to consider when choosing hymns and prayers,
- the different ways of sharing the gospel message when there is not a preacher.

There will be time for you to try out what you have learnt and begin preparations for a LA service on Sunday 27th April, Low Sunday.

The session is suitable for chapel stewards and anyone else who is interested in helping to prepare services when there is no preacher on the plan.

No prior knowledge or experience is needed.

For more information contact Eileen and Michael Sanderson on 01226 742644 or at sanderson.elsecar@gmail.com

To book your place on the session and for catering purposes, please contact the Circuit Office, by March 20th, 01226 321522 or circuitoffice@btconnect.com