

**Lees Methodist Church - Meeting Point**

1.45 for 2 pm

**Tuesday 5 March**

Aire River Trust—Geoff Roberts

**Tuesday 19 March**

Women in the War -

Stuart Carlton

£2 to cover expenses

**WHO LET THE DADS OUT**

Saturday 9th March 10-11:30am at Silsden. Open to all dads, granddads, uncles and youth children to come along and spend time together playing games etc with bacon butties and a cuppa

**UPDATES TO THE PLAN**

**Holy Week Circuit Services**

**Monday 15 April at 7 pm**

Will be at **BINGLEY**

Methodist Church

**Tuesday 16 April at 7 pm**

Will be at **Eastburn**

Methodist Church

**Wednesday 17 April at**

**2 pm** will be at **HAWORTH**

Methodist Church,

**19th May** at Eastburn the service will start at 10.30 and not 10.00.

On 30th May there will be a **Circuit Ascension Day** service at Eastburn at 7.30pm led by Rev.

Nigel Ogley.

In the children's playground, a small figure was making her way slowly and with great determination up the rope climbing frame. Just a little way above, her father was quietly watching and guiding her: 'Put your hand on rope above you, now move your foot to the left.' She was not far from her goal, the big silver tunnel slide, when suddenly she noticed the other children now clambering up all around her. She hesitated. Now other voices were calling to her: older children, all trying to show they knew a better route for her to take. For a moment the confidence left her and she froze to the spot.

Then another voice broke through again: 'It's all right. I'm here. Move your hand up'.... Confidence restored, she was off again. She knew whose voice to follow. Steadily she pulled herself up the next two rungs to reach her goal. Then, her dad clasped her safely in his arms and they whooshed down the slide together, full of smiles and laughter.

The journey through Lent can be a challenge. Sometimes we take one look and decide to give it a miss. Sometimes we find ourselves knocked off course by others on the way. Sometimes we are distracted by voices giving us advice, calling us away from our goal. Yet Lent gives us an opportunity to learn to listen more carefully to the voice of the one who speaks to us in the midst of the clamour: 'I'm here. Keep going. Don't be afraid!'. Whatever challenges you face as you seek to follow the way of Christ this Lent, may you be aware of God's presence, strengthening and guiding you every step of the way.

Every blessing  
Barbara

**3Generate Reunion**

The 3Generate reunion was lots of fun! We played multiple activities and games, I learnt how to play a new card game. We talked about last years 3Generate and how to improve this years 3Generate. There wasn't many people there, but we still had lots of fun and laughter. Thank you to Carol and Rev'd David McAloon for the lift and to Jo Dolman for telling us about this event and sorting my lift out and for Laura Tunnicliffe for organising this district event. (Jo couldn't be there as she was chaplain at Oakworth Pantomime) Thank you and I am looking forward to Thirsk and 3Generate again this year. From Matthew Watson

**CIRCUIT MEETING—Thursday 7 March 7.30 pm** at Eldwick Church

**GIFT—TUESDAY 12 MARCH and 26 MARCH**

For ages 11+ at Steeton 6:15-7:15pm  
Open to Circuit Youth as a Fellowship Group.

**TODDLER PRAISE at SILSDEN** Next meeting Tuesday 12 March 9.15-9.45.

**TODDLER PRAISE AT STEETON**

09.15—10.15 Tuesday 19 March

**AWESOME KIDS—11th AND 18th MARCH 6.30—8 pm** for 7—11 Year Olds

**FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTH CLUB at Silsden** on 15th March

6.00—8.00 pm

**IMPORTANT NOTICE for 9th MARCH**

There was an error on the Plan. The Circuit Service on "What's Your Story?" is **definitely** at Steeton and **NOT** Keighley Shared as on the Plan.. Please can you let Penny at Circuit Office know if you have anyone from your church attending. Churches have been asked to provide items of food and drinks will be provided by Steeton.

## ILKLEY ROAD METHODIST CHURCH CHOIR

Will perform

**Staoner's Cantata 'Crucifixion'**

On

**Good Friday** 19th April at 7.30 pm

With Steven Robinson (conductor)  
and John Taylor (organist)

The soloists will be Alan Parkinson (tenor) and

David Bainbridge (baritone).

Please join Ilkley Road and give them your support for  
this act of worship'.



## SAVE THE DATES!

HOLIDAY AT HOME at

ST PETER'S (Cross Hills)

THURS 4th JULY— SEASIDE theme

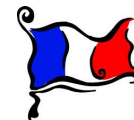
SAT 6th JULY— FRENCH theme

WED 10th JULY— "SCHOOL TRIP"

somewhere local!

Further details after Easter!

Susanne Platt 07904



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Arranged by the Methodist Churches in  
Eastburn, Cowling, and Cross Hills.

### EASTER DAY

For those fit and able, the annual Easter Day Sunrise Service, 21<sup>st</sup> April, will be at 5.50 a.m. at the Jubilee Tower, Farnhill Pinnacle, followed by Holy Communion at 7.00 a.m. (revised time) in Farnhill Institute on Main Street, where refreshments and hot cross buns will also be available. This is a great tradition and a memorable experience, taking 'the church out of the church' on a great day. Wherever you worship, please come along if you can!

### CREATING SAFER SPACE

Safeguarding awareness training sessions for workers with children and young people, vulnerable adults, stewards, local preachers, pastoral workers and anyone else who is interested.

#### REFRESHER MODULE

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March** at Silsden  
Methodist Church 9.30am -  
12.00am

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March** at Ilkley Road  
Methodist Church 7.00-9.30pm

#### FOUNDATION MODULE

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** at St Peter's,  
Crosshills  
9.30am - 12.00

To book a place on one of the sessions,  
**please contact:**

Circuit Office 01535 653842  
office@airedalemethodists.org

Don't forget Circuit Quiz on 16 March - contact Stephen Wilkinson on 07706 114556 if you still need to book. Please confirm final numbers.

### Remember Walk with me? ...

This year the circuit is picking up the theme of story so  
"What's your story?"

On March 9<sup>th</sup> you are invited to a launch at Steeton Methodist Church beginning with an afternoon tea at 3.30pm and concluding with an act of worship around the theme of storytelling. The Bible was born out God's story, and stories that were shared and so throughout this year we will be exploring some of those stories and more. We each have our own stories that are woven into the Christian story of our generation.

I hope that you will come along and share some of your favourite stories with others and hear stories that will inspire you too.

See you on March 9<sup>th</sup> at Steeton Methodist.

### Oakworth Methodist Church

### Celebration & Dedication Weekend

**Saturday 6th April 10.00-12.00**

with Coffee & Cakes throughout the morning

**Service of Dedication for the Church  
and Stained Glass Panels 1.00 am**

led by District, Circuit & Church representatives,  
including Dance & Drama by our Young People

**Sunday 7th April 10.30 am**

**Church Anniversary All Age Worship**

led by Rev John Hudson (former Minister)

All welcome - Come and celebrate with us  
and see what has been achieved through  
Mission Possible

Please send items for the April newsletter by Wednesday 20th March to Penny Moon, Circuit Administrator office@airedalemethodists.org or 01535 653842 or post to 80 Kirkgate, Silsden Keighley BD20 0PA. If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please send a request to Penny.