

## Circuit Invitation Committee and stationing: the current situation

Your Circuit Invitation Committee (Superintendent + eight Circuit Stewards) is responsible for inviting presbyters and deacons to the Circuit, following a connexional matching process, conducted mainly by the Chairs of Districts.

To date, in three rounds of stationing, no match has been found for the one appointment, for which our circuit submitted a profile i.e. the Sandal, Walton, Newmillerdam and Crigglestone section.

A small number of presbyters may become available over the next few months, right up to the Methodist Conference in late June, so that there is still a possibility of a presbyter being matched with our profile.

Across the connexion there are 40-50 more stations available than there are presbyters and deacons to fill them. This gap is unlikely to be closed over the coming years. Foreseeably, it may get larger, particularly if arrangements in many circuits remain as they are. As an outcome, the Circuit Stewards and Circuit staff are in an ongoing conversation, one which began last Summer. We are looking at both the short and longer-term implications for pastoral oversight of our churches. \*

\*Proposals will be brought to the March Circuit Assembly. Particularly if no match is made, these proposals may have implications for churches, other than the four immediately affected. The way in which the circuit is currently structured is open for discussion and ideas for different approaches are warmly welcomed.

Please continue to pray for the life of our circuit, for the staff, your Circuit Stewards and the future of all our churches, and in particular for the situation immediately in front of us.

Mr Colin Ride: Senior Circuit Steward  
Revd Andrew Longshaw: Superintendent minister



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In this Church for the hard of  
Hearing. If you use a hearing  
Aid switch it to the "T" posi-

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*We invite you to take this news-sheet home and use it to pray  
for the events happening at Church, in the life of the  
community and in the world*



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CELEBRATE GOD'S LOVE WITH US**

## WEEKLY NEWS SHEET- SUNDAY, 28th JANUARY 2018 THIS WEEK'S CHURCH DIARY :-

### SUNDAY 28th January

10:45 a.m. - Revd. Andrew Checkley  
Covenant Service & Holy Communion

Steward - Tony Walton

### MONDAY, 29th

5.30 p.m. Brownies 5.45 p.m. Rainbows

### TUESDAY, 30th

### WEDNESDAY, 31st

6.00 p.m. Beavers 6.15 p.m. Cubs 7.00 p.m. Scouts

### THURSDAY, 1st FEBRUARY

### FRIDAY, 2nd

### SATURDAY, 3rd

10:30 - 12:00 - Coffee Morning in Church with Cake Stall, Crafts and Books

### SUNDAY 4th FEBRUARY

10:45 a.m. - Local Arrangement

Points for Prayer :-

- For those who are in distress
- For those who have been left homeless
- For those who are ill at home or in hospital



**THE OFFERTORY** on Sunday 21st January 2018, for the work of God in this Church and Circuit amounted to £

**Please note** that there is an area at the back of Church set aside for our younger church goers. Please feel free to use and enjoy this

### **Flower List**

The New flower list is now available - please can anyone wishing to help with flowers place their name on the list or contact Jean Walton Thank you for all your generous gifts.

The next session of the **Church Life and Mission Forum**, will be on **Saturday 3 February 2018 at Central Methodist Church, starting at 9:30am (finishing at Noon).**

The topic for the session is 'The Work of Touchstone and Inter-Faith Development', the speaker will be Revd. Dr. Barbara Glasson, Deputy Chair of the Yorkshire West District.



One of our PCSO's caught 3 males on the roof of your premises on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2018. We have interviewed a 10 year old male.

### **Circuit Steward Vacancies**

Please approach people who you may think might be interested and have the skills required – even consider yourself as a possibility! If you need more information please speak to Andrew Longshaw (superintendent), Gordon Kay (finance) or Colin Ride (mission), and above all pray that the right people will come forward offering to fill these important roles in the service of the church.

Our next church council is **Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February**. If you have any items for the agenda, please can you submit them in writing to me no later than **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February**. Also, the post of church council secretary is vacant. If you are interested in filling this post, please speak to myself or one of the stewards.

Thank you Andrew

### **Family News**

It is with sadness we report the passing of Frank Inhester, Frank's funeral will be held at Pontefract Crematorium on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February at 11a.m.** We continue to pray for Pauline and the family at this time.

### **Car Park Permits**

Julie will be at Coffee morning this Saturday if you require a Car Park Permit. We ask if you can pass this information to others who require a new permit for the year.