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CHAPEL  
H A R R O G A T E  
**FOCUS**



**February and March 2026**

The **Methodist** Church 

## WELCOME TO WESLEY CHAPEL

Our Sunday Morning Worship is at 10.30am, see p3 for details of our services.

Circuit Morning Prayer Live Monday to Friday 8am on Facebook. This is available for watching again after the live broadcast. <https://www.facebook.com/NiddValley/>

All links (and much more) can be accessed via our website  
<https://www.wesleychapelharrogate.org.uk>

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## WHAT'S ON AT WESLEY

### FEBRUARY 2026

**SUNDAY 1 FEBRUARY 10.30am.** Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev. Mary-Ann Dimand.

**MONDAY 2 FEBRUARY** 1pm Lunchtime Recital. See page 17 for more information

#### **SUNDAY 8 FEBRUARY**

**10.30am** Morning Worship led by Rev. Gordon Hay

**6pm** Wesley Sunday Share via Zoom (Link will be sent out or contact Les or Judith).

**SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY 10.30am.** Morning Worship. Local Arrangement.

**FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY 10am to 10.30am** Friday Online Coffee Morning via Zoom. (Link will be sent out or contact Les or Judith).

#### **SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY**

**10.30am** Morning Worship led by Eric Robertson.

**6pm** Wesley Sunday Share via Zoom (Link will be sent out or contact Les or Judith).

**THURSDAY 26 FEBRUARY 10am.** Church Council Meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**TUESDAYS. 10.30am to 1pm.** Wesley Wheelie Welcome Café. Come and join us for a tea or coffee, and a chat. Cuppa soup, sausage rolls and toasted teacakes served at 12 noon.

### **ASH WEDNESDAY CIRCUIT SERVICE**

**Wednesday 18 February 2026**

**7pm at Woodlands**

Led by Rev.Ian Bryon.

## **WHAT'S ON AT WESLEY**

### **MARCH 2026**

**SUNDAY 1 MARCH 10.30am.** Morning Worship with Holy Communion.

**MONDAY 2 MARCH 1pm.** Lunchtime Recital. (see p17 for more information).

#### **SUNDAY 8 MARCH**

**10.30am.** Morning Worship.

**6pm** Wesley Sunday Share via Zoom (Link will be sent out or contact Les or Judith).

**THURSDAY 12 MARCH 2pm** Wesley Fellowship. The 2026 season begins with a visit from Hannah and the Handbells. You are guaranteed a warm welcome, and maybe a go on the handbells..

**SUNDAY 15 MARCH 10.30am.** Mothering Sunday. Morning Worship.

**FRIDAY 20 MARCH 10am—10.30am** Friday Online Coffee Morning via Zoom. (Link will be sent out or contact Les or Judith).

#### **SUNDAY 22 MARCH.** Passion Sunday

**10.30am** Morning Worship.

**6am** Wesley Sunday Share via Zoom. (Link will be sent out or contact Les or Judith).

**SUNDAY 29 MARCH 10.30am.** Palm Sunday Morning Worship.

**FRIDAY 3 APRIL.** Good Friday.

**SUNDAY 5 APRIL 10.30am.** Easter Day Service with Holy Communion.

**TUESDAYS. 10.30am to 1pm.** Wesley Wheelie Welcome Café. Come and join us for a tea or coffee, and a chat. Cuppa soup, sausage rolls and toasted teacakes served at 12 noon..



Many thanks for your generous donations for **Christian Aid** during Advent and on Christmas Day 2025. We raised a total of **£230**.

With our support, Christian Aid can be there for communities in the Democratic Republic of Congo, in Gaza, Ukraine, Burundi, South Sudan and many other places where poverty, conflict and injustice are threatening people's lives. Families who've lost everything, urgently need our support to survive. Our collection will help fund grants for supplies that save lives.

Many thanks, Ulrike

### A Lenten Prayer

Fast from judging others;  
Feast on Christ dwelling in them.  
Fast from fear of illness;  
Feast on the healing power of God.  
Fast from words that pollute;  
Feast on speech that purifies.  
Fast from discontent;  
Feast on gratitude.  
Fast from anger;  
Feast on patience.  
Fast from pessimism;  
Feast on hope.  
Fast from negatives;  
Feast on encouragement.

Fast from bitterness;  
Feast on forgiveness.  
Fast from self-concern;  
Feast on compassion.  
Fast from suspicion;  
Feast on truth.  
Fast from gossip;  
Feast on purposeful silence.  
Fast from problems that overwhelm;  
Feast on prayer that sustains.  
Fast from anxiety;  
Feast on faith.

*William Arthur Ward (1921-1984)*

## MINISTER'S LETTER

In March 2025, the Circuit Meeting agreed not to seek a replacement for Rev'd Lesley Taylor when she retires in August 2026 because we are highly unlikely to be matched with a replacement.

Ultimately the numbers of available ministers across the Connexion has dropped dramatically over recent years. The gap between circuits seeking a minister and the number of available ministers continues to grow.

The circuit meeting did note the decision would have a knock-on effect with churches but also recognised an opportunity to prepare and find a new sustainable way of being circuit and church.

In response to the decision, the circuit leadership team began a process of listening to the leadership teams of all thirteen churches. This listening exercise shaped further conversations and potential suggestions of how the circuit could regroup.

On November 15th, members of each church were invited to a day of further reflection on three potential suggestions. This was a positive day where people listened and considered together.

After this day of conferring the circuit leadership team reflected on the conversations. They have formed a recommendation of the circuit could be reshaped. This recommendation will be brought to Wesley's church council that will help to inform the decision of the circuit meeting.

It is important to note that no predetermined outcome has guided this process. Instead, the circuit has sought an outcome by the process of listening and conferring together.

While I recognise change can be daunting, I am also reminded of a Methodist hymn (*page 7*) that is pertinent for us.

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God who sets us on a journey  
to discover, dream and grow,  
lead us as you led your people  
in the desert long ago;  
journey inward, journey outward,  
stir the spirit, stretch the mind,  
love for God and self and neighbour  
marks the way that Christ defined.

Exploration brings new insights,  
changes, choices we must face;  
give us wisdom in deciding,  
mindful always of your grace;  
should we stumble, lose our bearings,  
find it hard to know what's right,  
we regain our true direction  
focused on the Jesus light.

End our longing for the old days,  
grant the vision that we lack –  
once we've started on this journey  
there can be no turning back;  
let us travel light, discarding  
excess baggage from our past,  
cherish only what's essential,  
choosing treasure that will last.

When we set up camp and settle  
to avoid love's risk and pain,  
you disturb complacent comfort,  
pull the tent pegs up again;  
keep us travelling in the knowledge  
you are always at our side;  
give us courage for the journey,  
Christ our goal and Christ our guide.

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Peace be with us  
**Revd. Gordon Hay**

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Recently an international conference met at chapel. There were representatives from the Faroe Islands, Germany, France and England. All grandchildren of the Goodwins, Hitchens and Sudrons. They were gathered together for fun and fellowship. In the future will they be responsible for the governance of these countries?



*Above: International Conference*



*Right: Storytime with Elsa*



From Ulrike and Andrew

*The visitors from the north and east—after the Christmas Service*

*Ulrike and Andrew's family Christmas .continued.*

We enjoyed our outing to Castle Howard with all the family just before Christmas.



*Painting by David Yeats*

## WEDDING CELEBRATION IN VIETNAM

This was Linh and Dan's Vietnamese celebration of their marriage—in spectacular traditional style in Hanoi, with Linh's family and friends and guests. Belinda and Robert, and Dan's brothers Gareth and Oli, all flew over to join in this special occasion. It was a wonderful experience for them and they had an amazing time.

The day before the wedding they attended the traditional tea ceremony at the home of Linh's parents. This signifies the union of the two families, and the couple served tea to parents and elders to show respect and honour ancestors.



*Left. Getting fitted for the tea ceremony.*



The day of the wedding



## *Vietnamese Wedding Celebration*



*Linh's parents look proudly on and Belinda sheds a (happy) tear.*



Our family were made very welcome. Belinda and Robert learned some Vietnamese before they went, but fortunately for Robert, there was a translator on hand so he was able to make his speech in English.



Linh's (male) best friend from school was also an attendant together with the Linh's bridesmaid (her sister).

It was a very happy occasion, and a wonderful experience for the family and so lovely to see the union of the two families.

We very much welcome Linh into the Walwyn fold.

## Out and About with the Sudrons

While out and about this winter we have seen snowdrops at Harlow Carr Gardens on January 1st.



A very frozen lake at Studley Royal. If you look very carefully you might be able to see the birds gathered together in patches of water



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*Out and About with the Sudrons*

We also spent time in the deer park watching great gatherings of several different species of deer.



Elsa and Rowan  
looking out for deer.

*Thank you to our flower ladies who work hard to make our chapel looking so lovely. Photograph by Ulrike.*



Left. Philip's  
Christmas cactus

Right. Sprout. Our newest  
church family member and a  
recent addition to the Goodwin  
family.



## CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF HELEN



*We celebrated the life of our friend and church family member, Helen Evison on 29 January. Family and friends from far and wide joined Malcolm, Cathy, Beth and Alexander in a celebratory service led by our minister Gordon. Helen's brother David gave a eulogy on behalf of the family and Mike paid this tribute to Helen.*

Four years ago I received a certificate for having been a local preacher for 25 years and I was reminded of one of those life-changing encounters we have from time to time.

It happened about 35 years ago when I was a new and nervous steward on duty at Wesley. One of the tasks was to welcome visitors and the preacher for the service. A lady arrived who looked as though she had perhaps been shopping and had wandered in to join us. It turned out that she was the preacher

She was unlike any other local preacher I had seen up to that point. She came just an ordinary, and I mean that as a compliment, person carrying a shopping bag. She seemed very nervous and unsure of herself. Well, we said a prayer together in the vestry, she pulled out of her shopping bag her sermon and stepped up into the pulpit and was transformed. She became authoritative. She delivered a wonderful service. She was confident and was clearly filled with the Holy Spirit. And she inspired me to become a local preacher.

That lady was Helen – as I'm sure you know by now. She was right to be nervous. Wesley was a daunting place to preach – a congregation probably above a hundred people, a gowned choir and in those days we preached from the pulpit. But the particular reason she would have been nervous was her deep understanding of the responsibility preachers have to build peoples' faith and understanding of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus.

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*Celebrating the life of Helen continued.*

And that wasn't true of Helen only when she was preaching. Her whole life was filled with love and care for others at whatever cost to herself and it must have hurt her terribly when illness meant she could no longer preach or do the other caring things that she had built her life around.

Helen was a loving and much-loved soul who left everyone she encountered feeling better for knowing her. I hope she knew just how much she was loved.

It would be a fitting memorial to Helen for us all to follow in her footsteps – and for us to make sure we let others know how much you love them and how much they mean to you. **Mike Greenberg**

*Gordon opened the service with these words that Malcolm wrote to offer to Helen what he thought were going to be the last words he would be able to share with her in this realm.*

## **A Message for Helen**

Of all  
the important things  
in my life

the most privileged has been  
knowing you  
loving you  
being cared for by you

I will always love you  
just as Jesus  
loves both of us

Thank you

*Malcolm Evison  
22 December 2025*



## **LUNCHTIME RECITALS** **2025/2026 season**

### **Monday 2nd February 2026 1pm.**

BBC Young Musician winner Laura van der Heijden and her duo partner Jâms Coleman cast a magical musical spell over us last year when they performed their *Path to the Moon* programme. We're delighted that they are returning to Wesley Concerts to play another beautifully constructed recital of cello and piano music.

We'll hear two compact, emotionally charged and romantically driven cello sonatas - one by Beethoven, and the other by the French composer Mel Bonis. Between these are three seductive 'songs without words' by Chaminade, Milhaud and a Frenchwoman whose works are only gradually coming to be known, Charlotte Sohy. A dramatic miniature by the Master of the King's Music, Errollyn Wallen completes the programme.

The rich and soulful sound of cello and piano played by these remarkable artists is something not to be missed, so do join us!

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**Monday 2nd March 2026 1pm.** PETER HIRSCHMANN MEMORIAL CONCERT . Hugh Cutting (Voice) & Joseph Middleton (Piano). Music from across the centuries.

**Monday 13th April 2026 1pm.** Hana Chang (Violin) & Jonathan Ware (Piano). Including pieces by Takemitsu and Saint-Saëns

**Monday 11th May 2026 1pm.** Elizaveta Ivanova (Flute) & Sanja Bizjak (Piano).

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*Lunchtime recitals continued.*

**Monday 1st June 2026 1pm.** Giovanni Bertolazzi (Piano).

**Monday 6th July 2026 1pm.** Richard Wetherall Trio. Jazz Concert.

### **Evening Recital**

**Saturday 25th April 7pm.** Following the very successful visit by the wind principals of Opera North earlier this year, pianist and Head of Music at the company David Cowan will return with four string principals to play chamber music by Haydn, Ravel and a favourite by Dvorak - his piano quintet. Tickets (£20, free to 26 and under).

*For more information about these concerts and to book online visit <https://wesleyconcerts.org/whats-on>*

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*I asked my search engine to find me a poem about music and spring, and this is what came up in seconds, written by AI. Should we be in awe, or worried? I must admit I was in awe!. Judith*

#### **The Symphony of Spring**

The frozen world now melts away,  
And sunbeams play a brighter ray.  
The icy streams, once silent, hold  
A rushing song of green and gold.

The naked boughs begin to sigh,  
And whisper to the blueing sky.  
A choir wakes in thorny brake,  
As robins trill for morning's sake.

The meadows hum a busy tune,  
Where wildflowers promise soon to bloom.  
A gentle air, a soft refrain,  
Welcomes the soft and tender rain.

The slumbering earth begins to sing,  
A symphony of early spring.  
With every breath, the shadows fade,  
A new, vibrant world is made.  
So let the joyful music rise,  
Beneath the warm and smiling skies.



## **AROUND THE CIRCUIT**

### **Bilton Methodist Amblers.**

Saturday 21 February.

Saturday 14 March

All walks start on the car park of Bilton Area Methodist Church where we meet to arrange transport at 9.30. Winter walks generally about 4-6 miles and normally end at a café or pub for food. All welcome. If interested please contact Janet Allen, T: 524634.

E: [janetallen09@btinternet.com](mailto:janetallen09@btinternet.com).

### **Harlow Hill**

Coffee Morning. Every Monday from 10am to 11.30am. Everybody welcome.

Little Beans Playgroup. Parents and toddlers playgroup. Every Wednesday Morning. Drop in between 10am and 11.30am for play, coffee and a chat. £3 per family.

### **Gracious Street.**

Saturday, 7 February, starting 5pm: Family Film Night – hot dogs, snacks, and a family friendly movie. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Saturday, 28 February, 10am-12pm: Coffee Morning raising funds for Noah's Ark Nursery School.

### **Starbeck.**

Sunday 8 February at 2.30pm. An afternoon concert featuring two brass bands. Knaresborough Silver Band and York Railway Institute Band.

Entry is by pay at the door. Adult entry is £10, teenagers £5, <12 free. Refreshments will be served during the interval. For further information please email [starbeckfff@gmail.com](mailto:starbeckfff@gmail.com)

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*Around the Circuit continued.*

## **Trinity.**



Live Web Seminars with guest speakers about either their specialist area or personal experiences. On the 3rd Thursday each month 7.30pm – 9.30pm in the Batchelor Room, Trinity Church Refreshments provided.

March 26th – Social Justice  
May 28th – Immigration  
June 25th – Gender & Sexuality  
July 23rd – Faith & Politics

## **Woodlands.**

Toast Cafe - on Friday at 8.45-10.00am. We like to encourage Parents/Grandparents/Carers to come along for tea, coffee and toast. Everybody else is welcome.

Woodlands Lunch Club - 12.30 onwards on a Friday. A freshly made 3 course lunch is available to all. Please contact Rev Anne Brown to book a place.

Woodlands Community Gardens Come and discover our wonderful community garden behind Woodlands Church.

## **BIBLE STUDY GROUPS AROUND THE CIRCUIT**

**Harlow Hill.** 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, at the church. Every week during Advent and Lent.

**Kearby.** Approximately every 3 weeks with Colin Lake at Gracious street Priory Room.

**Trinity.** Once a month on Wednesday evening. House Group at member's home.

**Park Grove.** 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month 10 to 11.30am. At the church.

## **Woodlands.**

Women of Woodlands. 1st Monday of the month at 7.30pm

Bible Study at members' homes. Thursday mornings.

During Lent. Specific bible studies around Lent

## **WORSHIP LEADER TRAINING**

The circuit has organised a short course to assist those who are involved in leading worship, particularly on Local Arrangement Sundays. This will be led by two of our local preachers, Sue Whalley and Andrew Brown, and will be held at Gracious Street Methodist Church, Knaresborough, at 7.30pm on Tuesdays 24th February, 10th March, and 24th March.

Each session will last no more than two hours. If you may be interested or want further information, please contact Sue (sue.whalley@gmail.com or 07926-870807) or Andrew (aaabrown@hotmail.co.uk or 07421-366367).

## **HARROGATE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND MISSION**

Saturday 28 February 10am—12noon at Woodlands Methodist Church. Unlocking the wisdom of John's Gospel. An introduction to David Ford's theological commentary on John's Gospel.

Saturday 28 March (rescheduled from 21 March) Live Lecture by Janet Williams live lecture on Julian of Norwich.

The lecture will still take place at St Mark's, and still be from 10am - 12noon as usual, with refreshments from 9.30am.

£10 (including breakfast and refreshments)

Students: £7; Under 18s free.

Zoom live-stream: £5 per person, must be purchased online in advance.

Buy tickets on EventBrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/live-lecture-isabelle-hamley-happy-are-those-tickets-https://hstm.org.uk/event/2026> for more information.



## FLOURISH

Have you got your Flourish ticket?

With 2 weeks to go, excitement is building for Flourish which is meeting at the University of York. A weekend gathered together, praising and worshiping God through music, workshops, speakers and art.

We are thrilled to have Dr Ruth Valerio, John and Jade Reynolds, and Trey Hall joining as key speakers to help us explore and unpack what it means to be part of God's big tapestry. Our House Band is headlined by Zac Carpenter, we are welcoming folk trio 'Siskin Green' on the Saturday Late Night, and then we have 3 groups from within the District sharing in worship with us on the Saturday evening.

There are 17 amazing workshops on the Saturday afternoon ranging from a prayer pilgrimage walk to song writing, from lectures to games. There is something for everyone - young or old.

Not only is the programme vast, the University of York is the most accessible venue that Flourish has ever been at in multiple ways

- Direct public transport links from York train station
- Free parking
- Loop system in every room
- Flat access into almost every venue with lift access to those venues that need it.
- Food and drink available on site - so no need to leave campus during the day!
- Community Art Project - perfect for anyone who likes having something to do in workshops and key speaker sessions.

Covered walkways between venues (max 5min walk between venues)

**Tickets.** £45 for the whole weekend. Saturday only £25. Sunday morning (2 sessions ticket) £5.

<https://www.yorkshirenemethodist.org/info-and-questions/#Tickets>

## VOCALIS

Wednesday 1 April 7.15pm. In collaboration with John Longstaff and St. Peter's Church Choir. St. John Passion by J S Bach. .

## HARROGATE CHORAL SOCIETY

Saturday 21 March 2026 at 3pm in The Soothill Hall, Ashville College, Harrogate with Hannah. Wardrop, Soprano, Eamonn Walsh, Tenor and Fabian Geere, Bass. Accompanied by the National Festival Orchestra and conducted by the HCS Director David Lawrence.

Tickets £18. Students and under 16s £5. Book online [www.harrogateheatres.co.uk](http://www.harrogateheatres.co.uk), or on the door, or ask Judith to get a ticket for you.

**The Creation**, by Austrian Composer Joseph Haydn was inspired by Handel's Messiah. Part one depicts the first four days of creation—light, the elements, heavenly bodies, and plant life. It opens with the 'Representation of Chaos,' an orchestral prelude known for its harmonically advanced, 'formless' sound.

Part two celebrates the fifth and sixth days, including the creation of birds, sea creatures, land animals, and finally, humankind. Part three focuses on Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, portraying their idealised love and gratitude before the Fall.

## HARROGATE PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Saturday 21 February at 7.30pm St. Mark's Church

Spring concert including Gustav Mahler's 'Blumine'. Elfrida Andrée's 'Symphony No. 2'. Also Pietro Lusvardi (double bass) playing his own concerto. Book tickets on HPO website: [https://](https://www.harrogatephilharmonicorchestra.org.uk/tickets)

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*Jenny read this hymn to us at a local arrangement service when we had been asked to contemplate and consider our learning about other faiths.*

Gather us in, Thou Love that fillest all;  
Gather our rival faiths within Thy fold;  
Rend each man's temple veil, and bid it fall,  
That we may know that Thou hast been of old.

Gather us in, we worship only Thee;  
In varied names we stretch a common hand;  
In diverse forms a common soul we see;  
In many ships we seek one spirit land.

Each sees one colour of Thy rainbow light,  
Each looks up-on one tint and calls it heaven;  
Thou art the fullness of our partial sight;  
We are not perfect till we find the seven.

Thine is the mystic life great India craves;  
Thine is the Parsee's sin destroying beam;  
Thine is the Buddhist's rest from tossing waves;  
Thine is the empire of vast China's dream.

Thine is the Roman's strength without his pride;  
Thine is the Greek's glad world without its graves;  
Thine is Judea's law with love beside,  
The truth that censures and the grace that saves.

Some seek a Father in the heav'ns above;  
Some ask a human image to adore;  
Some crave a spirit vast as life and love;  
Within Thy man-sions we have all and more.

*George Matheson 1842-1906*

*Following the local arrangement we continued the discussion, at Sunday Share, This poem epitomises some of the ideas that we have been discussing.*

### **The Indian Upon God by W.B.Yeats**

I passed along the water's edge below the humid trees,  
My spirit rocked in evening light, the rushes round my knees,  
My spirit rocked in sleep and sighs; and saw the moorfowl pace  
All dripping on a grassy slope, and saw them cease to chase  
Each other round in circles, and heard the eldest speak:  
*Who holds the world between His bill and made us strong or weak  
Is an undying moorfowl, and He lives beyond the sky.*  
*The rains are from His dripping wing, the moonbeams from His eye.*  
I passed a little further on and heard a lotus talk:  
*Who made the world and ruleth it, He hangeth on a stalk,  
For I am in His image made, and all this tinkling tide  
Is but a sliding drop of rain between His petals wide.*  
A little way within the gloom a roebuck raised his eyes  
Brimful of starlight, and he said: *The Stamper of the Skies,  
He is a gentle roebuck; for how else, I pray, could He  
Conceive a thing so sad and soft, a gentle thing like me?*  
I passed a little further on and heard a peacock say:  
*Who made the grass and made the worms and made my feathers  
gay,  
He is a monstrous peacock, and He waveth all the night  
His languid tail above us, lit with myriad spots of light.*

*And the first verse of this hymn was brought to mind:*






Every star shall sing a carol,  
Every creature high or low.  
Come and praise the King of Heaven  
By whatever name you know.  
God above man below,  
Holy is the name I know.

*Sydney Carter*

*Julie from Bilton Area catered for the family after Helen's service on 29 January, and lovely it was too. Here are her details in case you are looking for a caterer in the future.*



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## PRAYER CORNER



A morning prayer for guidance

Our Father, Today please lead me in all I say and do. Whenever I fall out of step from your will, draw me back. Lead me to repent and try again. Guide me with the light of your love now and always.

*Amen. <https://www.compassionuk.org/blogs/lent-prayers/>*

### ***Prayers for Lent***

God grant us words to speak  
when words are all we bear  
to ease the pain that others feel  
and show our loving care. (StF 647)

Grant to me O Lord. To know what is worth knowing,  
to love what is worth loving,  
to praise what delights you most,  
to value what is precious to you,  
And to reject whatever is evil in your eyes.  
Give me true discernment,  
That I may judge rightly between things that differ.  
Above all, may I search out and do what is pleasing to you.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.  
*Thomas A Kempis (c1380-1471).*

Lent prayers for those who have no peace

God of mercy and Father of all compassion,  
We pray for those who have no peace –  
for those who are troubled and torn apart by lack of self esteem  
for those who torment and victimise the vulnerable.  
We pray for men and women affected by violence in the home  
and for those who live by violence.  
We pray for those who are trafficked  
and for those who organise and profit from selling other humans.  
May they learn of your love and come to newness of life  
even in the midst of despair.  
Amen.

*<https://www.compassionuk.org/blogs/lent-prayers/>*

# WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

A service for everyone!

## Friday 6 March

*I will give you rest, come*

**Mowbray Community Church**

**Westmoreland St, Harrogate**

**HG1 5AT at 2pm**

**Nigeria 2026**

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