

## PASTORAL CARE AND VISITING

If you know of someone who is unwell, in hospital or would like a visit because they cannot get to church, please let Cris know through the church office or speak directly to Beryl Pickersgill 01457 762020 who coordinates our Visiting Team.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note these dates – more details to follow.

Hillsong and Worship Central Worship evening, Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November in Huddersfield

Ladies' Weekend away - 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Men's Weekend away - 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> June 2017

## PRAYER

Don't forget the weekly prayer meeting on Wednesdays from 9.00 – 9.45am in St Matthews. Please join us if you can – a great way to start the day!



## COMMUNION

When we come to share in bread and wine we invite everyone who has committed their life to Jesus and wants to follow him to come forward. The front rows come first and stewards will tell you when to move. Usually those on the left go to the left hand side and those on the right go to the right. Please stand or kneel to receive bread and wine as you prefer and fill up as much of the space at the front as you can. Non-alcoholic juice is available instead of wine - just let those who are serving know. There are also gluten free wafers.



It can take quite a while for everyone to receive communion but it's good to keep an atmosphere of prayer whilst this is happening. So after you have received yourself please resist the temptation to chat to others and take the opportunity instead to be still and quiet, to reflect on the sermon, and to pray for others who are still going up to receive.

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The church office is open Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9.00am to 3.00pm and Wednesday 10.00am to 3.00pm

# HOLY TRINITY

STALYBRIDGE

October 30th 2016

### Sunday 30th October

9.15am and 11.15am

Communion and Children's groups

'Dealing with Discouragement'

Nehemiah 4:1-18

4.30pm Light Party in St Matthews

### Monday 31st October

9.15am Family Forum

7.30pm Alpha Course

### Wednesday 2nd November

9.00am Prayer meeting

10.00am Bridge Coffee Shop

2.00pm Craft, Art & Knitting

7.00 Youth Engage

### Thursday 3rd November

7.15pm Youth Encounter

7.30pm Worship Group

### Friday 4th November

12noon Carers Connect

### Saturday 5th November

1.00pm Wedding of Dan and Debbie

### Sunday 6th November

9.15am and 11.15am

Communion with Children's groups

'Dealing with Division'

Nehemiah 5: 1-13

6.30pm Breathe Service



## WELCOME

Welcome to our services today – it's great to have you with us! Please say hello to one of the stewards at the end of the service – they greeted you on the way in. They all wear white badges and one of them will be at the back at the end. They will be pleased to get you a cup of coffee and tell you a little about the church.



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## LIGHT PARTY

We're having a Light Party for children aged 5-11 This afternoon from 4.30 - 6.00pm in St Matthews. There will be games, stories and teaching. Please see Stephen or Georgia after the services for more information.



## BEREAVEMENT SERVICE

Have you lost someone close to you recently, or even a long time ago? Do you know someone nearby who has been bereaved in the last year or so? Our Bereavement Service on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November at 4.00pm** is a chance to remember them and to give thanks for their life. There will be some hymns and readings, a time of quiet, and the opportunity to bring a flower forward and ask for your loved one's name to be read out if you would like.



There is a sheet at the back of church to write names of those attending and the names of the loved ones to be remembered.

The service is open to all in the community whether or not they have a church background and it's a great opportunity to invite anyone you know who has been bereaved recently or even some time ago. Invitations are available at the back of church – please speak to Janet and Nick D'Anzi or Will for more information.

## CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

As in previous years, we are inviting people to prepare Christmas Shoeboxes to go to poor communities in Romania. Our boxes will be distributed through Mana church in Sighisoara. Pilu, known to many in Holy Trinity, is pastor there and they have a great work in the villages and communities around the town. Boxes should be standard shoebox size (no bootboxes please) and are for families so please include something for mum, dad and children. Please wrap entirely in Christmas paper with at least £2 attached to the outside to cover transport costs.



See leaflets at the back of church or contact Paula Chester for more details – Paula has some empty shoeboxes if you need one and has also made up a sample box to give you an idea of what's needed. **Boxes to be in by Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November please!**

## GOSPEL CHOIR

The gospel choir will be getting together again for the Carol Services on 11th Dec. Rehearsal dates are: Sundays 20th & 27th Nov, 4th Dec 1.30 - 2.30pm in church. Newcomers welcome, just bring your enthusiasm!



*(Other dates may be Sat 10th Dec in Tesco's & Sunday 18th Dec around Tameside hospital - t.b.c)*

See Sue Green (11.15 service) or email [drummersue@hotmail.com](mailto:drummersue@hotmail.com) to get the link to materials on Dropbox.

## CHRISTMAS CRAFT

Book Club Plus are hosting another creative afternoon on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November from 1.30 – 4.00pm in St Matthews. Jacqui Watkins will be leading a workshop with some Christmas Craft ideas and there will be tea and scones available. £1.00 donation to cover costs and all are welcome. Please sign up at the back if you would like to attend.



## RED CARPET AREA

We offer prayer in the side chapel area each week during communion and/or at the end of the service. There is also a large open space next to the side chapel in the chancel which is very tempting for children to run around and play in – but the two things don't go well together!



Could we ask parents to keep children out of this area so that those being prayed for are not disturbed? Many thanks for your help!

## NEW WINE MEN'S DAY

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November 9.30am to 4.00pm at St Mark's Harrogate - a day of teaching and encouragement to help us to grow in confidence in our faith. Speakers include Mark Melliush, Nathan Blackaby, Justyn Rees Larcombe, Phil Emeerson and Mark Tate. Cost is £22. Please book online at [www.new-wine.org](http://www.new-wine.org) but let us know you've booked so we can share transport.



## SUMMER CONFERENCE

30<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2017 at Royal and Bath Showground, Somerset. Join us for a fantastic week of teaching, worship and fellowship! Book before 30<sup>th</sup> November for early bird discount rates.