



**Copmanthorpe Methodist Church**  
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**Churches Together in Copmanthorpe LEP**

### **Sunday 21 May**

- 10:15 FIZZ  
10.30 Holy Communion service led by Rev. Julia Skitt  
Duty steward – Bev Duffy  
18.30 Circuit service here at CMC

### **Sunday 28 May**

- 09.00 Shine Together  
10.30 United service at St. Giles  
Duty steward – Ruth Perrott

### **Neighbourhood prayer**

Lord, we pray for the people in our village. We pray particularly this week for those who live in, work in or visit:

**Main Street, School Lane, The Youth Club, Templar Court and Manor House Gardens**

We ask that each person may come to know you and that you will bring peace and healing in their lives.

This week all the churches in the Circuit will be praying for  
**the work of the Methodist Church in Heslington and for Methodist Women in Britain.**

## Prayer

A reminder that each week there is a prayer sheet in the entrance lobby. Please write your prayers for other people and situations so that they can be included in the service.

If you feel you need personal prayer this morning please do not leave before having a word with the duty steward.

## Circuit Service this evening – Easter Offering - Shine like Stars

Tonight at 18.30 here at Copmanthorpe – everyone welcome.

The service is prepared by Methodist Women in Britain on behalf of the World Mission Fund. This act of worship enables the Methodist Church in Britain and Ireland to give to the work of the sixty-five partner churches overseas.

## This week in Copmanthorpe

Wed	24 May	Communion service at St Giles – 9.30
Fri	26 May	Playbox - 10.00
Sat	27 May	Men's Breakfast – 8.30

## CTC Housegroups

Tues	19.30	<b>2 Timothy</b> - Men's group (David Withers) – No meeting this week
Wed	9.30	<b>Elijah - prophet at a loss</b> - Jeff Lucas (Marg Brown)
Wed	19.30	<b>James</b> (Ruth)
Wed	19.30	<b>Eat, Pray, Share</b> (Russ/Mandy/Jill)
Wed	19.30	<b>Faith Pictures</b> (Bev)
Wed	19.30	<b>Daniel</b> (Sue Jarrett) – 3 Larkfield Close

## Holiday Club 2017 - keep the date!

This year's Holiday Club will run from **31 July - 4 August**.

We want to be able to run the 3 strands of holiday club again for pre-schoolers, and both primary school age groups. **Please let us know ASAP whether you can help this year.** If you've never helped before, why not speak to Janet or Rachel – we'd love lots of new members to join our enthusiastic team. You don't need any special skills and there are lots of different roles that you could do. In particular, we need bakers and people to keep an eye on the entrance and exit doors.

If you volunteer to help with the children, you will need to have completed the current safeguarding training and a DBS check.

## **Church Anniversary and Barbecue – Sunday 11 June**

We are very pleased that Luke Smith (Geoffrey and Hilary's son who is Superintendent of the Liverpool North Circuit) will be taking our anniversary service on 11 June. The service will be followed by a barbecue – everyone is warmly invited. Let's pray for fine weather!

## **Caring for Life**

Churches Together in Copmanthorpe are planning a visit to an open day at Caring for Life in Cookridge, Leeds, on Saturday 17 June. Caring for Life is a Christian charity aiming to share the love of Jesus with homeless or vulnerable people by providing accommodation, ongoing support, daytime activities, love and friendship, enabling these people to achieve a settled constructive lifestyle and to develop dignity and self respect.

The open day on 17 June celebrates the charity's thirtieth anniversary and the day will include many varied activities (steel band, tractor and trailer rides, children's activities and much more). A restaurant, farm shop, coffee shop and nurseries will also be open. There will be a thanksgiving service for the work of the charity at 10.30 and the attractions will take place from 12 noon.

The cost is £6 (adults), £3 (under 17s and over 60s), and free for the under 3s. If sufficient people from both churches are interested, it might be possible to organise a coach; otherwise we hope to arrange car-sharing. If you are interested in going, please contact either our office or St Giles (admin@stgileschurchcopmanthorpe.org.uk).

## **Faith in the Questions**

Riding Lights Theatre Company, as part of York Festival of Ideas, is presenting "Counting the Clouds", a new one act play, followed by a conversation with leading scientists, at St Michael le Belfrey, 19.30 on Thursday 8 June to Saturday 10 June. More details can be found at [www.ridinglights.org/faith-in-the-questions](http://www.ridinglights.org/faith-in-the-questions) or [www.yorkfestivalofideas.com/2017/community](http://www.yorkfestivalofideas.com/2017/community)

Tickets are free and can be reserved by calling 01904 613000 or booked online.

## **Spectacles in Malawi**

Ruth Perrott will give an illustrated talk after the service and over coffee on Sunday 18 June. This will last around forty minutes.

## **Thy Kingdom Come**

There will be an hour of prayer every day from Ascension Day (25 May) until Pentecost (4 June) between 12.00 and 13.00 at St Giles Church.

## **Flower Ministry**

Have you noticed the wonderful flowers on display each week? They are very much appreciated by those in the village to whom they are given after the service. This is an important part of our ministry and we would like more people to become involved, particularly by donating money to enable our flower arrangers to continue to create these lovely displays. Envelopes for donations are available in the entrance lobby.

On top of this, we have the on-going plea for more flower arrangers (don't let the title put you off - this can be simply buying the flowers and placing them in a vase) to go on the flower rota, so that the flower ministry can continue and the flowers be provided to those whose names have been placed in the 'Flower Book'.

## **General Election Reflections**

The Joint Public Issues Team (JPIT) has produced some reflections on the upcoming General Election. Visit their website for further resources which will be produced soon –  
<http://www.jointpublicissues.org.uk/>

## **Church Newsletter**

Have you missed reading the monthly newsletter? We haven't produced one for a while and would welcome your views on whether you would like the office to continue producing one. If you think a monthly issue is useful, then we really do need your contributions so that we can share our faith stories and what is happening in our church and the wider Christian community.

### **Contact details**

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