**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Saturday 5th January 7.00 p.m. **Mary’s Eve Carol Service**

At Bentham Methodist Church

Sunday 6th January 9.0-9.30 a.m. **Sunday breakfast**

Saturday 12th January 7.00 p.m. **Church Social**

Sunday 13th January 10.30 a.m. **Covenant Service**

18th – 25th January **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

See poster in Coffee Lounge

**REGULAR MEETINGS**

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| 1st Monday of the month | Churches Together in Settle & District (CTISAD) prayer meeting | Parish (Holy Ascension) Church | 12.00 noon |
| 2nd Monday of the month | Prayer for the persecuted church | Check venue with Ursula 825869 | 7.30 pm |
| Tuesdays Weekly | Coffee Pot*Coffee morning* | Church foyer | 10 am –12 noon |
| Tuesdays fortnightly | Bible Study | Limestone View  | 2.30pm-3.30pm |
| 1st Thursday of the month | Thursday Group*Women’s fellowship* | Own homes | 7.30 pm |
| 3rd Thurs of the month | Songs of Praise*Hymn Singing* | Limestone View | 6.30pm |

***St. John’s website address is*** [***www.settle-methodists.org.uk***](http://www.settle-methodists.org.uk)

***Settle Circuit website address is*** [***www.settlemethodistcircuit.org.uk***](http://www.settlemethodistcircuit.org.uk)

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**In the event of an incident such as a fire, please follow the directions given by stewards.

**St. John’s Methodist Church, Settle**

**Minister: Revd. Tim Broughton**

30th December 2018

Welcome to our Morning Service which will be led

by **Christine Caddy**

 *Please stay for tea/coffee and further fellowship after this service.*

*After that, there will be a Jacob’s Join lunch. Please feel free to stay, even if you have not brought any food to share; there is always plenty to go round!*

*Large print and music hymn books are available on request.*

*There is a loop system to help those with hearing aids. Please switch your hearing aid to ‘T’ to use it.*

*We have a big red box of toys for very young children to play with during the service.*

*You are warmly invited to join us at any of the following events during the coming week:*

Saturday 5th January 7.00 p.m. **St Mary’s Eve Carol Service**

at Bentham Methodist Church

Sunday 6th January 9.00-9.30 a.m. **Sunday Breakfast**

 10.30 a.m. **Morning Service**

 led by Jane Mansergh

**SUNDAY BREAKFAST**

Breakfast will be served on Sunday 6th January from 9.0 – 9.30 a.m. – an opportunity to share in fellowship before the morning service.

***Prayer points***

This week, please pray for

1. Those who are suffering as a result of the Indonesian tsunami.

2. Those who are not looking forward to 2019 because of illness,

 anxiety over the health of a loved one, poverty, fears of

 redundancy etc.

3. The peace of the world, at the beginning of this New Year.

4. Greater unity within our own country.

**‘PAUL, APOSTLE OF CHRIST’**

Members of Hellifield Methodist Church will be showing this DVD at 2.00 p.m. today. A recent release on a PG certificate, this will be played on their new big screen. You are more than welcome; there will be no charge.

**CHURCH IN THE PUB**

Newby Methodists invite you to join them (and friends from Clapham and Austwick C of E churches) at The New Inn, Clapham, at 7.00 p.m. this evening. There will be Christmas music with Philip Taylor and an interview with Revd. Stephen Caddy. Come along and bring your friends!

**ST MARY’S EVE CAROL SERVICE**

Mary's Eve, Saturday January 5th 2019, will be celebrated at 7.00 p.m. at High Bentham Methodist Church. We will mark the Twelfth Day of Christmas with carols, music and Christmas readings. The event is free and open to everyone. There will be a Freewill Offering during the service for Charity. Light Refreshments will be available.

**HELP WANTED**

If you would be willing to ‘brew up’ on a Sunday morning once every 6 or 7 weeks (or even on an occasional basis), please speak to Wendy Holt. We have 2 ‘blank’ Sundays on the next rota!

**OLD-FASHIONED CHURCH SOCIAL**

Do you miss the old-fashioned Church Socials, with games, dancing and food? If so, please join us at 7.0 p.m. on Saturday 12th January – and bring your friends and family. Admission free; donations to cover the cost of refreshments.

**HOW TO USE THE ARTS IN WORSHIP**

A day conference to be held on Saturday 26th January at Crookes, Sheffield. For more details, please see the poster in the Coffee Lounge (on the board near the kitchen). To book a place, please contact Sian Henderson (admin@yorkshirenemethodist.org).

*Wishing you all*

*a very happy*

*and peaceful New Year*