

**Tuesday 3 November**

7.30 pm Badminton

**Wednesday 4 November**

10.00 am Coffee Morning

12 noon Lunches served

7.30 pm Sequence Dancing

**Thursday 5 November**

7.00 pm "To Worship in Stillness"

**Saturday 7 November**

10.00 am Coffee Morning

**Sunday 8 November**

10.30 am Remembrance Service  
led by Mrs Anne O'Shaughnessy

*Stewards* Pam Helyar and David Varley

*Music* Anthony Butterfield

*Door* Maureen and Bob Maskell

*Coffee* Margaret Ward and Rachael Slater

*Flowers* Roy and Mary Widdows

**Tuesday 10 November**

7.30 pm Badminton

**Wednesday 11 November**

10.00 am Coffee Morning

12 noon Lunches served

7.30 pm Sequence Dancing

**Saturday 14 November**

10.00 am Coffee Morning

**Sunday 15 November**

10.30 am Communion Service led by Rev Rosemary Nash

*Stewards* Jean Varley and Rosalie Large

*Music* Katherine Watson

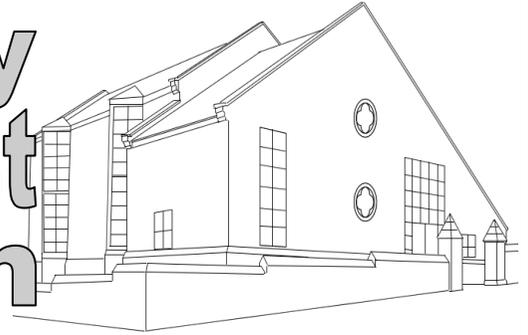
*Door* Andrea and Michael Scargill

*Coffee* Joan Wright and Gill Neasham

*Flowers* Margaret Ward and Barbara Beardmore

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# Bingley Methodist Church



Minister: Rev Rosemary Nash—Tel: 01274 568163

## Sunday 1 November 2015

### 10.30 am Service led by Mrs Olive Bastow

*Stewards* Stephen Wilkinson and Rosalie Large

*Music* Roy Hemsley

*Door* Evelyn and Roy Hemsley

*Coffee* Katherine Watson and Dorothy Mawson

*Flowers* Muriel Freeman

**We welcome you** to our church today. We sincerely hope that you will receive a blessing from the service.

If you would like a visit from our Minister, or if our Church Stewards can help in any way, please let us know.

**Coffee and tea** will be served following this morning's service, please stay and join us.

Items for Sunday 8 November's News Sheet to be handed to Pam Butterfield (01274 774637) by Wednesday 4 November at the latest.

### **Security Monitor**

Has anyone borrowed the little TV Monitor that is used on a Sunday morning by Ann so she can watch if anyone comes through the front door during the service. It has gone missing from the Organ Cupboard.

### **Wingfield**

Thank you to everyone who attended or supported the Afternoon Tea at Wingfield.

A total of £432 was raised. Congratulations to the raffle prize winners. The name of the hippo was Frankie and was won by one of the carers at Wingfield.

Rosalie and Joan.

### **Church Council Secretary**

Our church is in need of someone to take on the position of Church Council Secretary which was previously held by Mignon. It involves taking minutes at meetings and writing them up, collating reports from different groups and sending them out 2 weeks prior to a meeting and dealing with some correspondence. The position does not have to be held by one person, it could be a job share. If you are interested please see Rosemary or one of our stewards.

### **Flute Concert**

The Windstruments Flute Orchestra have kindly agreed to come to our church on Sunday 13 December during the afternoon to give us a concert. Please make a note of the date in your diaries.

### **Circuit Prayers**

This week we are asked to pray for the church family who were at Farnhill.

### **“To Worship in Stillness”**

The next service of quiet contemplation will be on Thursday 5 November at 7 pm. The theme — “God of Reconciliation”.

### **Winter Fayre**

Our Winter Fayre is on Saturday 21 November and on the hymn book table is information about the different stalls we are having and how you can help. Please take an information sheet if you have not already got one.

Each of the stalls need goods to sell and the refreshment table needs lots of buns, scones, homemade biscuits, traybakes etc.

We also need people on the door to welcome our visitors.

The posters are ready to be taken to the shops in the area. If you can help with this please see Pam B.

Carol Lake has agreed to organise the distribution of flyers around the neighbourhood so if you can help she would be grateful.

Please help if you can.

### **Pastoral Visitors**

Rev Rosemary has arranged a meeting for all Pastoral Visitors on Thursday 19 November in the Quiet Room at 2.30 pm. We hope that you will be able to come as there have been some recent changes and feedback will be much appreciated. Looking forward to meeting together.

Thank You. Carol Lake.

### **Why are we here?**

#### **The Independent Methodists**

John Wesley considered democracy to be the “devil's work”; no wonder he was known as pope John. One result was that his church was often in disarray with individuals breaking away to become independent, or join other denominations. In the early days with very few ministers, it was agreed that churches or even circuits could be represented at conference by lay people. When these people were turned away there was an unseemly punch up. As they reported back, not unexpectedly their churches elected to become independent yet some retained their Methodist title. In 1932 at Methodist unification although invited to join very few did. I was told that the Wesleyan Reform Church in Micklethwaite could never have afforded the circuit assessment but in any case, since there was a Wesleyan as well, the village couldn't have sustained the two and one would have to close. The Wesleyan closed in the early 1950s and in the absence of a village hall, the village society was able to use the Independent Sunday School for events. The Reform Union had reverted to early Methodism and alcohol was permitted! Sadly this closed four years ago.

(Today there are 74 churches listed with about 1500 members.)

*Sent in by Eddie*