

CONNECT

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a human connection of love,
not a building

a lifestyle, not a weekly
activity

an act of service, not a
service to attend



Minister
Rev Helen Lambert

Welcome to Trinity Rawdon!

At the heart of our ministry here at Trinity, Rawdon is the welcome we extend to all and so we are really happy that you have made this connection with us.

Whether you are searching for answers to the big questions in life, exploring your faith, or looking for a new home church, we hope that we may be able to draw alongside you as you make your journey.

Our church family is made up of members from our local community of Rawdon, Yeadon and Guiseley and further afield too. Trinity has existed in its present form for over forty years – since the Baptist, Methodist and Congregationalist (United Reformed) churches in Rawdon came together to form one church, hence the name Trinity – in the unity of the Father, the Son and the Spirit.

We like to think that no two Sundays are alike at Trinity Rawdon and we enjoy exploring new ways of journeying and drawing closer to God in worship.

Although we may have our own individual denominational identities, what unites us is the belief that church is who we are, not where we go, not just a building, but also the act of sharing God's love.

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Worship in May



**Sunday 6th May 9.30 Holy Communion with Helen Lambert
10.30 Worship with Helen Lambert**

**Sunday 13th May 10.30 Christian Aid focus with Missions & the
Worship Team**

Sunday 20th May Pentecost: Holy Communion with Helen Lambert

**Sunday 27th May Mick Dewhirst – Lay Minister from Skipton
Baptist Church**



People to Pray for:

Lord, may those named be wrapped in
Your love, found deep in Your everlasting
wings, carried and kept, safe and
cherished.

May the healing power of Jesus breathe
across them all. AMEN

Joan
Audrey
Marion
June
Doreen
Frances

Connect with us this month:

Trustees' Meeting Monday 21st May at The New Manse (32 Micklefield Lane) 7.30pm

Ps and Qs (Pie Night) Next occasion will be Thursday 17th May – see Tristan for details

A belated [Thank You](#) to all those who supported the Easter Breakfast. After costs we were able to send £50 to Mercy Ships.

We will be starting a new sermon series in June looking at the book of Esther – if you have time please read it - it's a wonderful story.

BIG BREKKIE Sunday 13th May after the service in support of the work of **Christian Aid** (see note later in this bulletin)

Connect with community events next month:

Saturday 2nd June Rawdon Fun Day

Saturday 23rd June The Great Get-together, Micklefield Park 3.00-7.00pm

Saturday 30th June Rawdon Village Fair, Micklefield Park



Connect with us in fellowship

Walk and Talk meet each Friday for a short local walk lasting approximately one hour, exploring areas that many of us had forgotten existed. We have a good chat and enjoy a cup of tea to finish with. You would be most welcome to join us! We meet each Friday outside the church at 2pm.

Knit Café meets every week on Tuesdays 2.00pm at Browns Green Vegetarian Café, 3b Harrogate Road, Rawdon, Leeds. We love to knit, chat and of course eat cake! All are welcome, not just knitters, people who want to learn and those who want to make new friends.

Life Groups Our Life Groups meet in homes in order to share life together and study the Bible. This is where people really get to know others and discover the value of their prayers and practical support. It is also the place to chew on difficult issues and to unpack further what the preacher may have been saying the previous Sunday. Please contact Helen to find out more.

We now have a third **LIFE GROUP** which is led by Linda and meets alternate Wednesdays at the Haigs'. A fourth Life Group will be meeting in the future on alternate Thursday Evenings – led by Ruth Ashton-Ward. Ruth and Gordon Carr would like to host a fifth Life Group on Tuesday afternoons 2 – 4pm but, need a leader and some members who might prefer to meet during the day. If you feel God is calling you to lead a **LIFE GROUP** at Ruth Carr's or would like to join one of the current **LIFE GROUPS** please see Helen or one of the leaders. We would love to see five groups running by the end of 2018!! They provide valuable pastoral support and fellowship – ask some of the folk how much they value the groups they are in!



Connect with our community

Missions The theme for **Christian Aid Week** this year is "God's Kingdom is stronger than storms." The charity is supporting all those who lost their homes and livelihoods in Haiti as a result of the severe hurricanes in 2016. Staff are working to re-build homes and prepare for an uncertain future. Daily Devotional have been produced for use during the week. Copies are available in Church. The Team are organising a **Big Brekkie** in Church after the service on **13th May** to raise funds for Haiti. Come and join us for food and fellowship and bring a cake for the stall if you can. We will not be collecting house-to-house as we have done for many years, but if you wish to continue to give in this way, there will be envelopes available for you in Church. Please look at the Christian Aid website for lots of interesting information and let's **Stand with Haiti through the next storm!** (Margaret Thompson)

Messy Church Saturday 26th May 3.00 - 5.00. All are welcome and we are always glad to welcome extra helpers.

Trustees' Group We need two new Trustees to take over from Amanda and Frank Lyden. The intention was for Amanda, Frank and Linda to continue as Trustees for a limited period whilst the new regime established itself. Now they wish to focus more on their leadership role and so there are opportunities for "new blood" to serve God in our Trinity Church Community. Please consider carefully if you might be able to fulfil this role and feel free to have a word with any current Trustee or Helen.

TWAM Following the success of the collection of tools for the 1% Appeal in 2016, it was decided at the ACM on 22nd April that we would do a further collection of unwanted tools and equipment over the next month and these will be collected on **Sunday 3rd June** by TWAM. Contact David Longley on 250 3466 if you need help in moving anything, or simply bring to Church on a Sunday or by alternative prior arrangement.

Thanks, David