

CONNECT

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Church is ..

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 September



Sunday 2nd September 9.30 Holy Communion with Helen Lambert
10.30 Worship with Derek Allan

Sunday 9th September 10.30 Worship with Michael Noble
Communion in the Graveyard 3pm @ Ruth's

Sunday 16th September 10.30 Worship and Holy Communion
with Helen Lambert, 1% Appeal Launch

Sunday 23rd September 10.30 Worship with Helen Lambert



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

Tristan, Zoe and Thomas
 Janice
 Neville, Ruth, Sarah and all the family
 Marion
 June
 Doreen

Connect with us this month:

The next Trustees' Meeting will be Monday 17th September at The New Manse (32 Micklefield Lane) @ 7.30pm

Ps and Qs (Pie Night) will next be Thursday 20th September – we pray that Tristan will be well enough to join us. Please see Andy or Pete for details.

Trinity Pub Quiz at the Princess every 4th Thursday - see Linda for details !

Connect this month:

- "Russia under Stalin": a talk by David Longley Thursday 13th September 7.30pm Rawdon Community Library
- "Cambodia: From despair to hope". Pete Lambert will speak at Rawdon Quaker Meeting House on Saturday 15th September at 7.30 pm as part of the Rawdon Amnesty Concert Series (see noticeboard for full programme)
- Christian Aid Walk Sunday 23rd September (see Margaret Thompson for details)

Rawdon Remembers: the people behind the names

In common with Rawdon St.Peter's, we have been successful in our bid to be part of a chain of Churches up and down the country to display life-size perspex profiles of the fallen of our communities from two world wars. Please watch this space for more information as we seek, together with as many parts of our community as possible, to make this year's commemoration a particularly poignant one, coming as it does on Sunday 11th November 2018 exactly 100 years from the signing of the Armistice in 1918. Special thanks to Dinah Smith for alerting us to this.



Connect with us in fellowship

PRAYER CHAINS There is great power in God's people joining together in a common prayer - we have just seen that with Tristan and so I would encourage you, to join the Trinity prayer warriors on our Prayer Chains! It's a very quick and efficient way of asking for prayer and informing the church family about those in need of prayer as well as for bringing updates on our prayer progress. Helen is re-organising the Phone Prayer Chain, so if you would like to go onto either the phone or the eprayer chain speak to Helen.



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.

We now have a fourth and fifth **LIFE GROUP** both starting next month - Karen's group will be starting up again on Thursday September 13th at Karen and Kens and Rachel is starting a monthly group on the 4th Thursday of every month which will begin with tea at the Princess in Rawdon. It would be great to get a 6th Life Group set up so everyone in the church is in a group. Ruth and Gordon Carr have offered to host a Life Group on Tuesday afternoons 2 – 4pm but they need a leader and some members – if you feel God is calling you to lead a **LIFE GROUP** at Ruth and Gordon's or would like to join one of the current **LIFE GROUPS** please see Helen. I am praying for six groups to be running by the end of 2018 as they provide valuable pastoral support and fellowship – ask some of the folk how much they value the groups they are in!

1% HARVEST APPEAL 2019 will be launching on **Sunday 16th September** and the Missions Team will be serving bacon butties after the service with all donations going to the 1% Appeal funds. After prayerful consideration by the Team, the missions to be supported this year are: **Father's Heart** – a local charity based in Bradford that is supporting the building of a medical centre in Uganda. This is a charity that would be very happy to develop an ongoing relationship with Trinity so we could feel part of the work and maybe be involved in an exciting partnership which would allow us to be part of an ongoing work to transform the lives of a local community in Uganda.

Sense – is a national charity which supports people with complex communication needs to be understood, connected and valued. We also continue to support **LFIS**.

Connect with our community

Trustees' Group. We reported recently our need for two new Trustees to take over from Amanda and Frank Lyden from September so there are opportunities for "new blood" to serve God in our Trinity Church Community. Two names have now been brought forward from the membership, Haydn Wilson and Antony Webster and we will vote on these and any others at the next Congregational Meeting on 21st October. Please consider prayerfully if you might be able to fulfil this role and if God is calling you to this work. If you would like to nominate someone, please see any Trustee or Helen as soon as possible.

Playstation Volunteers needed. Sadly, we have lost some of our volunteers at Playstation and in September we will be running on a minimum team. This work with young people is valuable outreach as we serve 25 children (and their families) every week! If you feel you could help out and would like to know what we do at Playstation, please see Helen.

Cleaning News. Jean Jackson retired from her role as our cleaner in August. We thank her (and Cliff!) for their many years of commitment and service to this Church. As from September, we welcome Helen Brown as our new cleaner and we look forward to working together to the mutual benefit of all.



Half of the 16 young people that left Playstation this Summer to start Benton Park have indicated to Helen that they would still like to journey with us as a church community. Haydn has offered to set up a Friday evening Youth Club for them in the New Hall called **FridayNightLive**. This is a fantastic opportunity for us to maintain our relationship with these lovely young people. If you would like to volunteer or know any young people who would like to join please see Haydn or Helen for more details.