**Rotas** 

26<sup>th</sup> January 10.30

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Preacher: Sheila Hargreaves

Vestry: lan Fyfe

Count: lain Baird, Joan Rivers

Organist/ Pianist: Sharon Wright Fire Steward: Jacqui Fyfe Property Steward: Chris Kendrew

Door Stewards: Group E Screens: lain Baird

2<sup>nd</sup> February 9.00 Holy Communion

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Martin Ramsden

Vestry: Ian Fyfe

10.30 All Age Worship

Preacher: Rev. Sarah Ramsden

Vestry: Alison Dale

Count: Alison Dale, Monica Dowling

Organist/ Pianist: Nathan Ramsden Fire Steward: Martin Sheffield Property Steward: Tom Chambers

Door Stewards: Group F Screens: Paul Toon

**Activities** 

Sunday 26th January: Morning Service and Junior Church - 10.30am

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January: Carpet Bowls — 7.00-9.30pm

Wednesday 29th January: Parent & Toddler's Group 10.00-11.30 am

Brownies 6.15-7.30pm

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January: Octago 10.00-11.30am

Youth Club 7.00-8.30 pm

Choir 7.30-9.00pm

Saturday 1st February: Coffee Morning 10.00-12.00 noon

# Welcome to Worship at Yarm Methodist Church

This morning's service will be led by Sheila Hargreaves

Please join us for refreshments in the hall after the service.



## God in Love Unites Us

The Methodist Conference, at its last session, discussed a report from the *Marriage and Relationships Task Group.* The report is called *God in Love Unites Us.* The report considers the nature of marriage and relationships and includes proposed resolutions about Methodist policies with respect to civil partnerships and marriage between people of the same sex. The report has been commended to the Methodist people for study and prayerful discussion. In order to help us engage prayerfully with the report, the Church Council has asked Rev. Dr. Martin Ramsden to lead 3 sessions of study and prayerful consideration. The remaining sessions will take place at church at 7.30pm on 27th January and 5th February. All are welcome to attend either or both of the sessions. There will be a Church Council meeting on the 10th February at 7.30pm at which the Church Council will reflect on the conversations and consider any response that may be brought to the Circuit Meeting for discussion.

## <u>Luncheon Dates — 12.30pm</u>

30<sup>th</sup> January

27th February

26th March

## Calling All Project Box Holders

Could you please hand your box to Chris or Malcolm Robinson for the half yearly count. Thank you.

#### **Collections**

The collection on the 19<sup>th</sup> January was £1186.45 with £22.06 for Saturday Coffee. The retiring collection for Ehlers-Danlos Support UK amounted to £55.50. Your contributions are greatly appreciated Thank you, Joan Rivers, Church Treasurer

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# Ladies Friendship Group

The Ladies Friendship Group invite you all to an afternoon of music by a Ukulele Group on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 2pm. The afternoon is for all ages and all are invited. There is even a cup of coffee or tea and a biscuit all for £1. Come and listen to a variety of music by this group

## Traidcraft

There will be a Traidcraft stall in the hall after the service on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. A big thank you to you all for your support last year.

#### Thank You

A belated thank you from the Choir to all those who supported the Christmas Concert. Financially the concert made just over £600. £100 was given to each of the following: Church Funds, the Church Project and DKMS UK (see notice: DKMS and Peter McCleave). The remaining £300+ from the concert will remain in choir funds to help with the cost of purchasing new music.

Thank you again. Michael Salmon, Choir Treasurer.

All new notices should be emailed to: notices.yarmmethodist@gmail.com Alternatively you can ring and leave a message on: 01642 508935 Notices must be submitted before 6pm on Wednesday to be included

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### **DKMS** and Peter McCleave

My nephew Peter McCleave, diagnosed in 2017 with Myeloma, was given 7 years left to live if a compatible stem cell donor could not be found. Deciding to make a pro-active response to this devastating news he joined forces with DKMS, a charity which is carrying out research into cures for blood cancer, to raise awareness of the need for more stem cell donors on the global register.

As a direct result of Peter's campaign, "making stem cells as available as Aspirin" he has now added 33,402 new donor names to the register, has raised over £25,000 for DKMS and has found 12 exact stem cell matches for other blood cancer sufferers. Motivated by Peter's cancer story, The Team Margot Atlantic rowers are at this moment rowing the Atlantic in a bid to put 1.5 million new names on the stem cell donor list: they are due to complete this challenge on 24 Jan 2020 and their arrival is to coincide with the launch of a new record for Peter, written by singer/songwriter Lee Gordon, Called "The Tide"- lyrics based on Peter's cancer journey.

The mission has now reached Australia, where Peter's brother Tim, supported by Australian charity, "Strength to Give" is furthering the work of his brother over there.

The search goes on ......

Margaret Walker.

