

	4 March Lent 3	11 March Mothering	18 March Passion	25 March Palm	1 April Easter	8 April	15 April	22 April Vocations	29 April	6 May	13 May Christian Aid	20 May Pentecost	27 May Trinity
<b>Lectionary</b> (Principal Service)	Exodus 20:1-7 Psalm 19 1 Cor 1:18-25 John 2:13-22	Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 107:1-3,17-22 Ephesians 2:1-10 John 3:14-21	Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 51:1-12 or Psalm 119:9-16 Hebrews 5:5-10 John 12:20-33	Mark 11:1-11 or John 12:12-16 Psalm 118:1-2,19-29	Acts 10:34-43 Psalm 118:1-2,14-24 1Cor 15:1-11 John 20:1-18	Acts 4:32-35 Psalm 133 1 John 1:1 – 2:2 John 20:19-31	Acts 3:12-19 Psalm 4 1 John 3:1-7 Luke 24:36b-48	Acts 4:5-12 Psalm 23 1 John 3:16-24 John 10:11-18	Acts 8:26-40 Psalm 22:25-31 1 John 4:7-21 John 15:1-8	Acts 10:44-48 Psalm 98 1 John 5:1-6 John 15:9-17	Acts 1:15-17,21-26 Psalm 1 1 John 5:9-13 John 17:6-19	Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34,35b Romans 8:22-27 John 15:26-27;16:4b-15	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29 Romans 8:12-17 John 3:1-17
Prayer for:	St. Andrew's	St. Matthew's LEP	St. Paul's	Stones	Todmorden	Heptonstall	Busoasis	Busoasis Sports	Mt. Zion	New Ebenezer	Bethesda	Blackshaw Head	Boothtown & Southowram
<b>Bethesda WL 10:30</b>	Saville	J Taylor	Sherwood C	Brook	Kennard C	H Stafford	Sherwood C	Gunson	Jacobs	G Smith	Sherwood C	H.Royd WT	Local Arr.
<b>Blackshaw Head WL 10:30</b>	J Taylor	Local Arr. A	Griffiths C	Whitaker	Local Arr. A	Griffiths C	Asquith	Foster	Local Arr. A/CW	Munday	Griffiths C	Munday	Local Arr. A
<b>Boothtown &amp; Southm 10:30</b>	Local Arr.	G Smith P	Jones	Sherwood C	Foster	Ng	Prosser	Robinson	Cheetham	Local Arr.	Dobson* P	Collinge	Sherwood C
<b>Brighouse Central WL 10:30</b> <b>6:00</b>	G Smith C/PP Cheetham	C Stafford PP Cheetham	Cheetham B/PP Local Arr. CS	Clarkson PP Cheetham C	Cheetham C Booth	Brook Local Arr.	Cheetham Cheetham C	Cheetham Ng	H Stafford Cheetham	Cheetham C Sherwood	J Taylor G Smith C	Cheetham ----	Keane Sherwood
<b>Christ Church LEP 10:30</b>	Story PP	P Taylor PP/C	Stead PP	Robinson PP	P Taylor C	P Taylor	Guy	P Taylor	CCWG	Jenkinson	Faulkner	Christie	P Taylor C
<b>Clifton WL 10:30</b>	E Appleyard	Dobson*	Hales	Cheetham	Briggs C	Speake	Hales	J Taylor	Brackenridge	Local Arr.	Cheetham	Melling*	Ng
<b>Cross Hills WL</b> <b>10:30</b> <b>6:00</b>	9am/Neil EMC Keen	---- Melling*	Partington ABC Partington ABC	---- Ng	---- Neil C	---- Local Arr.	Local Arr. Welch ABC Welch ABC	---- G Smith	---- + St. Thom's JS	9am Neil EMC Local Arr.	---- Neil C	---- @1pm Revill/Neil ABC Lunch @2pm/Revill/Neil JS	---- Hargreaves ----
<b>Hebden Royd WL 10:30</b>	Brackenridge A	Travis	Neil C	Local Arr.	Gunson A	S Watson	Clarkson	Neil C	Asquith	J Taylor A	Partington	Neil C	L Smith
<b>Heptonstall 10:30</b>	Griffiths C	Collinge	Keen	Guy	@10 am U/C	Robinson	Briggs	Whitaker	Keane	Griffiths C	Local Arr.	Asquith	Dobson*
<b>Highgate WL 10:30</b>	Neil PP	Cheetham PP	Gunson PP	Melling* PP	Keen C/PP	Keane	Keen	H Scott	Walton C/CA	Local Arr.	Christie	Keen C	Robinson
<b>Illingworth Moor WL 10:30</b>	Prosser A	Welch C	Local Arr.	Griffiths	Welch C	Hargreaves	Melling*	Keen	Foster	Tunnacliffe A	Robinson	Local Arr.	Stead
<b>Luddendenfoot URC 10:45</b>	Hull C	H.Royd WT	Halifax URC JS	Mitchell	Saville C	Collinge	Jowett	Hammond	Halifax URC JS	Keen	Guy	Walker	Story
<b>Mount Tabor 10:30</b>	H Scott	Sherwood P	E Appleyard	Lawton	S Watson	Dobson*	Griffiths	Sherwood C	Local Arr.	Guy	Revill	Sherwood C	Melling*
<b>Northowram 10:30</b>	P Taylor C	Gunson	C Stafford	Foster	Local Arr	Keen C	Lawton	S Watson	P Taylor C	Christie	Brook	P Taylor	Local Arr. 30 mins
<b>Salem 10:30</b>	Welch C	Local Arr.	Christie	Welch	Welch C @8.30am	G Smith	Ng	Brook	L Smith	S Watson	H Stafford	Local Arr.	Collinge
<b>Southgate WL</b> <b>10:30</b> <b>6:00</b>	Sherwood C Keen	S Watson Sherwood	L Smith Sherwood C	Local Arr. Christie	Sherwood C Sherwood P	Melling* G Smith	Jacobs Ng	Collinge Sherwood C	Briggs Keen	Sherwood C Cheetham	Local Arr. Dobson*	Jacobs Sherwood C	Christie Neil
<b>St. Andrew's WL</b> <b>9:00</b> <b>10:30</b> <b>6:00</b>	Keen C Christie A ----	---- Briggs C ----	---- Guy Keen Pr	---- Keen Keen C	Keen C G Smith C ----	---- Local Arr. Keen	---- H.Royd WT Sherwood	---- Fox Keen C	---- Griffiths Neil	Keen C Asquith A/Pr ----	---- Saville C Whitaker	---- S Watson Local Arr. Pr	---- Keen Keen C
<b>St. Matthew's LEP</b> <b>8:00</b> <b>10:00</b>	Cheetham C Cheetham A/B	Russell C Russell C	Lydon M'dale C M'dale	Lydon C Hannam C	Russell C Russell C	Lydon C Hannam	Cheetham C Dobson*	Lydon/M'dale C Hannam/M'dale C	Russell C Russell C	Lydon C Hannam	Cheetham C A M Appleyard C	Russell C Russell	Russell C Hannam Russell C
<b>St. Paul's WL 10:30</b>	Guy	Neil	Keane	Hargreaves	Christie	Slim	Saville	Local Arr. P	Neil C	Clarkson	Whitaker	Local Arr.	Neil C
<b>Stones WL 10:30</b>	Robinson	Revill A	Slim	@9.30 Neil U	Brackenridge A	Local Arr.	Neil C	Wilkinson A/CO	Travis	Neil C	G Smith A	Local Arr.	S Watson
<b>Todmorden 10:30</b>	Whitaker	Griffiths C	Story	Local Arr.	H Scott C	Travis	Local Arr.	Griffiths C	Keen	Hargreaves	Asquith	Griffiths C	Local Arr.
<b>Special Services</b>							Mt Zion @ 2.45pm Blundell						
<b>Open To God 10am</b>	Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> March Illingworth Moor	Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> March Illingworth Moor	Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> March Illingworth Moor	Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> March Illingworth Moor	Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> April No Meeting	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> April New Ebenezer	Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> April New Ebenezer	Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> April New Ebenezer	Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> May Salem	Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> May Salem	Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> May Salem	Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> May Salem	Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> May Salem
<b>Key:</b> WL = Worship Leader/s available	* = Transport required, A=All Age, ABC=All Age Breakfast Church, B=Baptism, C=Communion, CA=Church Anniversary, CCWG=Christ Church Worship Group, CO=Commissioning of Organ, CS=Choir Service, CW=Cafe Worship, EMC=Early Morning Communion, JS=Joint Service, P=Parade All Age, PP=Planned Preaching, Pr=Praise Service, PV=Pastoral Visitors Dedication, U or US=United Service												

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**Mount Zion Easter Sunday Service**  
2.45pm Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 - Blundell

**Mount Zion  
Easter Offering Service**  
4pm Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018

**Staff preferred days off:** M Cheetham - Friday, T Keen-Monday, F Neil-Friday, C Griffiths-Friday,  
C Sherwood-Thursday, P Taylor-Thursday, P Welch-Thursday

Please can June 2018 to August 2018 plan requests from churches be submitted **through Ministers** by **1 April 2018**

**Calderdale (27/34) Preaching Plan****March – May 2018**

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## Holy Week & Easter Services – Additional to Normal Service Times

Bethesda	6:30pm 26/03/18 6:30pm 27/03/18 6:30pm 28/03/18	Holy Week Reflection – Sherwood Holy Week Reflection – Sherwood Holy Week Reflection – Sherwood
Blackshaw Head	7:00pm 29/03/18	Maundy Thursday Meal and Meditation
Boothtown & Southowram	7:00pm 30/03/18	Good Friday Service – G Smith
Brighouse Central	7:30pm 29/03/18 12:30pm 30/03/18	Maundy Thursday Communion Good Friday Service
Christ Church LEP	8:30am 26/03/18 8:30am 27/03/18 9:00am 28/03/18 7:30pm 29/03/18 1:00pm 30/03/18 10:00am 01/04/18	Prayer breakfast Prayer breakfast Prayer breakfast Maundy Thursday Communion Good Friday Service Easter Praise – followed by Communion at 10.30am
Clifton	7.30pm 27/03/18	Holy Week Service
Cross Hills	2:00pm 30/03/18 6:00pm 30/03/18	'Stations' @ St. Thomas' – Neil – U Prayer Labyrinth – Revill/Neil
Hebden Royd	12:30pm 30/03/18 8:00am 01/04/18	Churches Together Walk of Witness & Lunch – Neil – U Easter Sunday Morning Communion – Neil
Heptonstall	11:00am 30/03/18	Good Friday Service -
Highgate	7:30pm 26/03/18 2:30pm 27/03/18 11:00am 30/03/18	Monday Devotional Service – Melling Tuesday Fellowship Service Good Friday Service - Christie
Illingworth Moor	7.30pm 29/03/18	Maundy Thursday Service - Welch
Luddendenfoot URC	11:00am 30/03/18	Good Friday Service
Mount Tabor	7:30pm 10/05/18	Ascension Service - Sherwood
Mount Zion	2:45pm 01/04/2018	Easter Sunday Service – Blundell
Northowram	2:00pm 30/03/18	Good Friday Service – U @ Heywood
Salem	7:00pm 30/3/18	Good Friday Service - Welch
Southgate	7:30pm 29/03/18 7:30pm 30/03/18 8:30am 01/04/18	Maundy Thursday Communion – Sherwood Good Friday Event – Sherwood Easter Sunday Morning Communion – Sherwood
St. Andrew's	7:30pm 29/03/18 10:30am 30/03/18	Maundy Thursday Communion – @ All Saints – U Good Friday Service – U
St. Matthew's LEP		
St. Paul's	7:30pm 29/03/18 10:00am 30/03/18 9:15am 01/04/18	Maundy Thursday Service – Neil/Dick – U Walk of Witness from St. Patrick's to St. Paul's – Neil – U Easter Sunday Morning Communion – Neil
Stones	9.30am 25/03/18 6:00am 01/04/18 6:00pm 13/05/18	United & All Age Communion @ St Bart's followed by Walk of Witness to Stones - Neil Sunrise Service – Local Arrangement Ecumenical Christian Aid Service - Neil
Todmorden	7:00pm 29/03/18 10.00am 30/03/18	Maundy Thursday Service – Griffiths Good Friday Service - Griffiths

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

As I write this article it is only three weeks since Christmas and the celebration of Jesus' birth. As you read the article it will be about eight weeks to Easter when we will be remembering Jesus' death and celebrating his resurrection. What a weird time in church life!!

To help write what I want to say I have just done a quick search on the internet to find out what there is there about Easter. I was amazed to find that most of the references were to eggs, bunnies and eating chocolate.

We are reminded through Easter that the Resurrection of Christ is the great Hope of the World. The Resurrection is also the great personal Hope that enables us to rise above so much that would otherwise depress and completely overwhelm us. So often life can seem very cruel, but if we put our trust in Jesus Christ and His victory over death then we will be able to withstand all the trials and tribulations of life.

Many people today dismiss Jesus, proclaiming with some vigour that he is irrelevant and out of touch with the world. That was what the Scribes and Pharisees thought over two thousand years ago, and they were determined to do something about it. As Easter approaches and we are preparing to celebrate, let us be mindful of the fact that we do not lean on a broken crutch, but that we have a real, and living faith to sustain us. It will sustain us through the darkest of days, and it will also help us to keep our feet firmly on the ground when the going is easy and joyous.

But why did Jesus rise from the dead? What difference does it make? A great deal. To begin with, if Jesus had stayed dead, we might be able to dismiss him as some kind of religious crank or fraud. But if he rose from death, then we are forced to take him seriously. Secondly, his death would be of little importance. But Jesus said that his death is of crucial importance: the means of dealing with our sin and making us God's friends. Thirdly, it would have made nonsense of his claim to be the resurrection and the life, and of his offer of life beyond death. One more thing: If Jesus has risen then he is still alive. And if he is still alive, then it is possible that his talk of returning as a judge is not an idle threat, is it?

May this period of reflection called Lent help you to deepen your relationship with Jesus and as you remember his death and celebrate his resurrection may it be an occasion of great blessing.

Yours in Christ,

