

# TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER



OCTOBER 2025



Thank you for the beautiful flowers at the front of the church,  
planted by our Rainbow group





## October Highlights



- ❖ **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 6.30pm for 7pm – 8pm** Creating Space for God. Taize worship at Norwood Methodist Church led by Rev Fran Rhys.
- ❖ **Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 10am – 3pm** Fairtrade stall on the church drive, for Fairtrade Fortnight, ‘Do it Fair’
- ❖ **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am** Harvest all-age service. Bring cooking oil for Open Doors, or non-perishable foods for the East Riding Foodbank.
- ❖ **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am – 11.15am** For the churchy and the unchurchy; continental breakfast and informal worship, led by local preacher, Adam Ellis
- ❖ **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 11.30am** Ordinary Congregational Meeting, starting with prayer for New Places for New People led by pioneer pastor, Lydia Harrison
- ❖ **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October and Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October** Guiding Centenary weekend, including Coffee Morning (10am – 11.30am) and service (10.30am) led by Rev Rachel Hawkins
- ❖ **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm** Ignite informal worship with the Butty Band
- ❖ **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 1.30pm – 3pm** Light party in the church – children and their carers are invited to join us for crafts, snacks and dancing at a non scary alternative to Halloween. No need to book, just turn up!
- ❖ **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm** Bible Study online of Luke 18:9-14 (The Pharisee and the Tax Collector). Zoom link from [tollgaveloffice@gmail.com](mailto:tollgaveloffice@gmail.com)



## Regular Events



### Worship and Community

- ❖ **Sundays at 10.30am** Classic Methodist/United Reformed Worship (communion once a month), refreshments follow. Activity area for children – children need to be supervised by own parent/carer
- ❖ **LAST Sunday of the month at 6.30pm (26<sup>th</sup> October)** Ignite informal worship with the TG band in the church – now meeting on the LAST Sunday of the month instead of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday.
- ❖ **Messy Mondays at 9.30am – 11.00am (term time)** for babies to pre-schoolers in the hall. We have a new Facebook page – **Toll Gavel United Church Children, Parents and Carers**, to share information about all the children and families work going on at Toll Gavel United Church.
- ❖ **Mondays (excluding School Holidays) at 2.00pm – 3.30pm** Welcome Space/Woolly Wesleys in the church. Knitting, chatting, board games, jigsaws available. Everyone is welcome, no need to book so please feel free to drop in!
- ❖ **Alternate Tuesdays (14<sup>th</sup> October, 28<sup>th</sup> October) at 2pm – 3.30pm** Creative Ladies, now in the hall
- ❖ **Wednesdays at 10am – 11am** Still Waters – Meditation and prayer in the church
- ❖ **Thursdays at 10am – 11am** Prayer and Share in the church quiet area
- ❖ **Third Thursday of the month at 7.30pm – 8.30pm** Bible Study online (link from [tollgaveloffice@gmail.com](mailto:tollgaveloffice@gmail.com))





## Food and Drink



- ❖ **Centre Café on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10am – 11.30am (excluding Bank Holidays)** come in for a hot or cold drink and perhaps a toasted teacake!  
TG Jigsaw Library also open during these times, suggested donation of £1 to borrow any jigsaw in our collection



- ❖ **Lunch Club Alternate Tuesdays (14<sup>th</sup> October, 28<sup>th</sup> October)** serving at 12.30pm Are you retired, looking for company and would like to meet new people? Why not join us at Lunch Club in the church hall for a two course lunch followed by a cup of tea. Cost is £5. To book a place please contact Christine on 01482 863558 or [christine@99milburn.karoo.co.uk](mailto:christine@99milburn.karoo.co.uk).
- ❖ **Wednesdays at 11.30am – 12.30pm** Community Kitchen lunch (suggested donation now £2) run by Beverley Against Poverty. A shower is also available for use from 12.00pm – 1.30pm as part of Beverley Against Poverty
- ❖ **Saturday Coffee Mornings at 10am -11.30am in the church hall to raise money for good causes**  
4<sup>th</sup> October for church funds, 11<sup>th</sup> October - 4<sup>th</sup> Beverley St Mary's Guides, 18<sup>th</sup> October – Guides, celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary this month, 25<sup>th</sup> October – 1<sup>st</sup> Beverley St Nicholas Scouts  
Would your charity like to hold a Coffee Morning to raise funds? Contact [tollgaveloffice@gmail.com](mailto:tollgaveloffice@gmail.com) for more details.
- ❖ **Foodbank Wednesdays 2pm – 3pm in the Welcome room** run by the East Yorkshire Foodbank (everyone who comes to the foodbank for emergency food needs to have a valid foodbank voucher)





# Greetings from our new Pioneer Pastor!



I am Lydia, married to Mark, and have a dog in law called fizz (she lives very near us with Mark's parents, and she calls round for treats 3 times a day on her walks).

In my spare time I like to read, do creative things like needlefelting, painting, journalling, and collecting cows. I also visit a farm called Dumble Farm in Beverley where they have Highland cows. Despite my love of cows I am lactose intolerant, which feels like a juxtaposition!



I have been a Methodist all my life, being confirmed at 13 and become a trainee Local Preacher at 17. I was accredited as a Local Preacher in 2013, and the delay was moving to Yorkshire from Lancashire (I did have my passport stamped!), to do a Theology and Religious Studies degree at York St John and also meeting Mark shortly after graduation. During lockdown Mark and I teamed together to lead online worship for Huntington Methodist Church whilst the minister was on sabbatical. I also worked as Children and Family Work Enabler in the Goole and Selby Methodist Circuit for 6 years, doing things like TakeTime Meditations, toddler groups, preaching/leading intergenerational worship, Out Of The Box stories, Open The Book assemblies, activity boxes for families in lockdown and helping a local charity run a neurodivergent stay and play group for families in the Selby area. Before my work in Goole and Selby I worked as a support worker for adults with learning difficulties, and before that worked in an elderly care setting.

Mark has also been a Methodist all his life, helps with property and projection at Huntington Methodist. He works as an IT consultant and is also doing a masters at York Uni.

I did my training as a Pioneer with the Church Mission Society in 2022 and built some of what I learned in to my role at Goole and Selby as children and families worker (2019-2025). When this role came to an end I read the advert for this job and was instantly excited. It felt very much that the role was right up my street and in my skill set and I am looking forward to being part of the beautiful community that Beverley Mission area is! I am looking forward to sharing with people, getting to know you, and working out what the way forward is with this role. Please do come and have a chat with me! My contact details are 07856307178 and npnpbeverley@gmail.com.



# Mustard Seeds and Rebel Girls

## visit to Scarborough

### September 2025





## Rebel Girls



We are a group that meets on alternate Mondays in the Dog & Duck for lunch together and to plan future outings.

Here we are, dressing up and having fun at the Harbour Museum in Bridlington on Heritage week.



If you'd like to know more about what the Rebel Girls get up to then please contact Sally on 07907 843778



Ignite



# **IGNITE**

## **INFORMAL WORSHIP**

# **HELP!**

**Popular music and hymns  
to help us reflect on social issues  
and how having a Faith helps**

**SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

**6.30PM**

**TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH**



## Messy Mondays



# Light Party



Children and their carers are invited to join us at our Light Party for crafts, snacks and dancing at a non scary alternative to Halloween.

Drop in session, no booking required

Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 1.30-3pm in the church

Email us: [messymondays tollgavel@hotmail.com](mailto:messymondays tollgavel@hotmail.com)

Facebook: Toll Gavel United Church Children, Parents and Carers



**Keep up to date with events for young people at our Church**



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Looking Ahead



**BEVERLEY  
TOWN COUNCIL**  
WORKING AS A COMMUNITY



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INSPIRING WOMEN

# SAVE THE DATE

Join us for the White Ribbon Vigil  
Tuesday 25 November 2025  
Toll Gavel United Church

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Raising awareness about gender-based  
violence

Together, we can make a difference

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**Church Administrator Office hours**

**Monday 9.30am – 2.30pm, Tuesday 10.00am –  
1.30pm, Thursday 9.30am – 2.00pm**