

Reflections

As we enter the run up to the Flourish event in February 2026, our reflections are based on the four 'threads' or themes that will run through the weekend. Find out more at <https://www.yorkshirenemethodist.org/flourish26/>

Rediscovering curiosity at the heart of faith

"Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path."

Psalms 119 v105

Do you welcome the opportunity to learn more about the Christian faith, to explore stories from the Bible or the experiences of other people and reflect on what they might teach us?

Where do you practice curiosity in your day to day life? Maybe in what you read or watch or spend your time on? Do you seek out the stories of others from different backgrounds and experiences to enrich your understanding? Do you notice things when you are out and about? What might God be encouraging you to be more curious about?



Rediscovering justice at the heart of life



"What does the Lord require of you
but to do justice, and to love kindness,
and to walk humbly with your God?"
Micah 6 v8

Do you like to get stuck in to making a difference in your community? Do you long to see justice on issues of poverty, or climate change, or discrimination?

How do your beliefs about the importance of justice affect your day to day life? In how you spend your money, where you shop, where you go on holiday? Do you notice whose voices aren't being heard? Are there actions you can take-

by donating items or money, joining campaigns, volunteering or raising issues in your church and community?

Where might God be drawing your attention to the need for justice?

Rediscovering God's call at the heart of you

"Speak, for your servant is listening."

1 Samuel 3 v10

Do you feel called by God to a particular role, whether that's a paid job or voluntary role, perhaps at church or in the community? Does a particular thing you do energise and encourage you- do you see how you make a difference, even when it can be challenging?

God calls each one of us to be part of the big 'tapestry' that is being woven throughout time and across the world. What talents or skills or interests do you have? Have you considered how you might be able to use them to bring glory to God? That might be in words, or music, or flowers, or cakes, or craft, or listening- the possibilities are endless!

Our roles might change during our lives, but God still calls us all to be part of the bigger story. Where might God be calling you today?



Rediscovering revolution at the heart of church

"I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?"

Isaiah 43 v19

Do you get excited by the possibilities of new ways of being church? Of going outside the walls, finding worship in the world, walking alongside those who have never known or have rejected traditional forms

of church? Maybe in conversations over food, reflecting on the beauty of God's creation, or finding fellowship with others who share our struggles.

We can sometimes forget that the way we do church hasn't always been the same. To enable people who have struggled to connect with church to see and understand the message of Jesus, it can be necessary to find new ways to share that story. In doing so we can find that our own faith is enriched and expanded.

What might God be calling you to explore today?