

# ST OSWALD'S SOWERBY



Sunday 15th September  
2024

Welcome to St Oswald's Church, Sowerby

*Readings: James 3:1-12, (11-13), 14-17, Mark 8:27-38*

Sunday 15th	8:30am 10:30am	Holy Communion Worship for All *
Monday 16th	10:00am	Little Wonders Baby and Toddler Group (hall)**
Tuesday 17th	2:00pm	Movie Tuesday (Methodist church)
Wednesday 18th	9:30am 7:00pm	Holy Communion Alpha course (Annexe)
Friday 20th	12:00pm 9:00am	Warm Welcome Lunch (Hall) Safeguarding training
Sunday 22nd	8:30am 10:30am	Early Worship Family Communion *

**Children's groups:** All at 10.30am. 1st & 2nd Sundays is Godly Play in the Annexe. 3rd Sunday we're all in church for Worship for All. 4th Sunday: we're in church for the start of the service then we go out to Kids Club and return to church for Family Communion.

\*These services will be available on Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/2607227907>

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## NOTICES

**Mother's Union Fishermen's Choir Concert** - Many thanks for all the support given to our concert. Special thanks for the super venue, (St Oswald's Church), to Graham for the loan of the wine glasses, Jane for all the inserts into Saint's Alive and notice sheets, Pauline for her help at the concert, the Fishermen's Choir who were brilliant and enjoyed by all, and to everyone who came and supported our fund raising for Mothers Union Charities, we all had a super evening.

**Brass cleaning** – Please would you consider giving one hour twice a year to clean the church brasses. We usually work in pairs but if you offer as an individual I will work with you. Please speak to me after church or ring me on 07718 200504. Your help would be much appreciated. Thank you.

Cecily Rands

**Dates for your diary** -

**COFFEE CAKES & CRAFTS** will be on Saturday 23rd November, 10 am - 12.30 in the Parochial Hall. Please come and support us and enjoy cake, crafts and a chance to chat. We will also need plenty of people to volunteer to set up and clear up, run the stalls, and provide home-made cakes, bottles and prizes for the raffle.

**CHURCH WORKING PARTY** – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 9:30am. We will be tackling various jobs some inside and some outside (weather permitting). Inside we need to have a good clean up of cobwebs which are appearing everywhere now! We will need to clean up hidden corners and have a good tidy up. Outside, the elder bushes that we cut down earlier in the year are beginning to grow back – these need cutting back before they get too big!

**MEN'S GROUP** – A Men's walk is planned for 26th October, meeting at Twisted at 9am for a 9.30am start, walking for around 2 - 2.5hrs and returning to Twisted where people are welcome to stay for a drink/snack before heading home. Please also earmark Nov 30th & the Jan 7th (dates tbc) in your diaries as we are planning a clay shoot in the morning at Thirkleby Shooting Ground. More details to follow.



**Open the book** - Open The Book Training Opportunity - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October  
Open the book (OTB) is a wonderful way to share the Gospel in our local primary schools. Currently OTB is done in 4 local primary schools meaning that about 600 local children regularly have the opportunity to hear a bible story, presented to them in an interactive way. Feedback from the children who hear these stories is overwhelmingly very positive.

To enable the teams to keep running and to hopefully be able to expand OTB into other local primary schools we are always looking to recruit new volunteers. A face to face training event has been arranged for Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 10.00am – 1pm to be held at St Oswald's church. This is an ideal opportunity to come and see what OTB is all about and see if you might like to be involved. If you would like to discuss it further please contact me. Rachel Halkyard

**Dementia Awareness** – I have organised for Fiona Andrews from Dementia Forward to come and do a dementia awareness session for our Pastoral visitors. The session will run on Thursday 26th September 1-3pm at Sowerby Methodist Church. We have capacity to invite more people to this event, so I am opening this up to other church congregations in the area. Please can you contact me, ideally by Monday 23rd September if you would like to attend. Either email [helenmethodisturc@outlook.com](mailto:helenmethodisturc@outlook.com) or call me 07751078506.

Helen McCormack, Pastoral and Development worker with Older People at Thirsk and Northallerton Methodist Circuit.

**House Groups** – these will be starting again on 3<sup>rd</sup> October. If you are interested in joining a House Group, please speak to David Brooke or David or Lorraine Bacon.

**Food Bank contributions** - Please keep these coming in as the needs continue. Box is at the back of church. The following items are always welcome: pasta sauce, boxes of cereal, tinned fish and meat/meat meals, long life milk, tinned tomatoes and vegetables, tea, coffee, hot chocolate, jam, honey, loo roll, toiletries and cleaning products, strong carrier bags/bags for life.



**Soup Lunch Rota** - The soup rota for September/October is on the notice board at the back of church. We need 3 volunteers each week. Please sign up! *We do need your help to run this lunch weekly.*

**Collect – Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

Lord of creation,  
whose glory is around and within us:  
open our eyes to your wonders,  
that we may serve you with reverence  
and know your peace at our lives' end,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**Build Community.**  
**Serve Sowerby.**

