

WORSHIP

Rejoicing on the green

Baildon Methodist Church, Bradford

This Eco congregation of Baildon Methodist Church, Bradford, ended a celebratory service by praying on its lawn.

Ten years on since Baildon Church appointed its first Eco Officer, the church has enjoyed a variety of services on electricity, oil, water and the biblical basis for Eco theology.

As well as many services highlighting the importance of environmental issues, the church has also gone to great lengths to ensure it obtains all its electricity from renewable and environmentally friendly sources.

As well as installing solar panels on the roof, which in turn has gone on to generate funds for the installation of LED lights, the old gas central heating has been replaced by infrared heating and extensive insulation has been installed.

In this year's celebration, examples of fruits from the trees in the church garden were displayed, along with an acted-out conversation between St Francis and God on the state of the earth. Hymns written for the occasion were sung and individuals were challenged to take specific eco actions mirroring those of the church.

Continuing their efforts, the congregation has been inspired to raise money to erect a [Passivhaus](#): a special type of building which consumes very little energy.

Mervyn Flecknoe, Eco Officer for the church said: "By massively reducing our carbon dioxide emissions, we are following Christ's words in Mark 16:15 'Proclaim the good news to the whole creation'."

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This is a copy of an article which appeared in **The Buzz**, which aims to share good news from across the Connexion.

Keeping Our Young People Safe

Find out how you can help keep children and young people safe from exploitation & grooming both online & in the physical world.

Do you know the signs of CSE?

If a child told you they were being exploited...

Would you know what to do and who to report concerns to?

Who would you turn to for support?

Barnardo's will come to answer these questions on...

Wednesday 23rd November

7.00pm – 9.15pm

Northcliffe Methodist Church, Shipley

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Suits On the Streets

On 8th of November there will be a memorial service for those who have died on the streets in West Yorkshire and on 10th of November 2016, Inn Churches are holding their fourth annual **Suits on the Streets** event.

On Tuesday 8th November, we will gather at 5.30pm in Bradford Cathedral to remember all those who have died homeless in Yorkshire, remembering each person by name, and praying for those who still have no home - and for all those who work with them to bring transformation and change.

The service is organised by Inn Churches and Housing Justice, with the Very Revd Jerry Lepine, Dean of Bradford. It will start with refreshments.

Please share this event with anyone who works with the homeless and join us on the evening. If you have the name of someone you would like to remember please email juli@innchurches.co.uk and we will add their name.

Suits on the Streets

Where?

The venue is the old arches, near Forster Square train station in Bradford, a unique and interesting venue perfectly suited to host our sleepout. The event aims to highlight the harsh realities of homelessness and also offers the opportunity to raise vital funds that will directly support homeless people in Bradford

The Methodist Church West Yorkshire District

is seeking to appoint a part time District Administrator & Personal Assistant to the Chair of District with effect from 1 February 2017

23 hours per week – 18 hours office based over 3 days (Weds – Fri) and 5 hours flexible at various locations around the District

Salary Range £12.50 to £14 per hour plus pension contribution

To request an information pack please contact:

West Yorkshire Methodist District Office

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Increased hours could become available in due course.

Closing date for completed applications: 12 noon on 16 November 2016

Interviews to be held morning of 2 December 2016