

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

### MONDAY

1.30pm Pop In (Live at Homes).

### TUESDAY

2.00pm Friends Fellowship (1st Tuesday each month).

6.00pm Yoga Class - Adult

7.30pm Trefoil Guild (2nd Tuesday in each month)

### WEDNESDAY

10.00am Morning Worship (Holy Communion 1st Wednesday).

10.30am Coffee

11.00am Keep Fit with Tonia

1..30pm History Group (4th Wednesday each month).

### THURSDAY

10.00am Yoga Class – Adult

2.00pm Craft Group (2.00pm - 3.30pm)

2.00pm Bowls Club.

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

10.00am Coffee Morning.

New members are always welcome at all these events. If you don't try them, you won't know if you will enjoy being part of the fellowship.

Enquires about room hire can be made via the 'Contact Us' button on our web site [memc.uk/normanby](http://memc.uk/normanby)

When attending activities please avoid traffic congestion by using nearby car parks.

# NORMANBY METHODIST CHURCH



**Come in to worship, Go out to serve  
To LOVE Christ, To GROW in Christ,  
To SHOW Christ's Love, To MAKE Christ Known  
SUNDAY SERVICE**

**10.30 am Morning Service**

**WEDNESDAY SERVICE**

**10.00am Morning Worship**

**If you are a regular worshipper at this Church, or worshipping with us for the first time, we bid you a warm welcome & hope that you will feel at home among us.**

**If you are interested in any information about the Church, please ask a church steward or the minister.**

**Baptisms & weddings take place by arrangement with the minister.**

**We look forward to welcoming you to the Church again.**

**Minister: Rev J Howard-Norman  
Telephone 01642 764211**

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

[memc.uk/normanby](http://memc.uk/normanby)

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Mr D Elliott**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December – No Service**

**Thursday Christmas Day – 10am Service**

**Revd. John Howard-Norman**

(Retiring collection in aid of Action for Children)

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December – Mrs D Harris**

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> December – No Service**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Mrs D Pearson**

**Prayers** – Please pray for those we know who are ill, in hospital, housebound, in care homes, all who mourn & all those fleeing violence of any kind. For Keith Johnson, Audrey Hall, Molly Cooke, Betty Cockerill, Jean Bircham, Gillian Moore, Rod Davies, Joyce French.

**Thank you** – The W&M committee would like to thank everyone for their help, support & kind generosity at the Christmas Fayre, which raised £1,712.05 for church funds, over 100 people attended, many from the community, as well as raising funds for the church it was a day of fellowship & outreach.

**Thank you** – The W&M committee would like to thank everyone for their donations, support & help at the Chocolate Tombola Coffee Morning Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December, it raised £639.00 for church funds. Its success wouldn't be possible without you; you helped to make this happen.

**Poem** – on the back of this weeks' notice sheet, you will find a poem sent from Andrew Shires, Andrew understands this, is one of the last poems Celia wrote but never published, Andrew would like to share it with the church at this special time of the year. Celia normally took our service the Sunday before Christmas.

**W & M's Coffee Morning** – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> January (**NOT 3<sup>rd</sup> January**) from 10am. Cake Stall, Book Stall, DVD's & CD's, Jigsaws, Bits & Bob's Stall, Raffle

to name a few. Entry £1.50 includes tea, coffee, treat. Come meet old friends & meet some new ones, share what you have been up to over the festive season, all are welcome.

**Men's Fellowship** – The Circuits Men's Fellowship meets at Grove Hill on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January at 1.30pm. Rev John Holy, Communion; everyone is most welcome.

**Thank You** – On behalf of the Ways & Means Committee, we would like to thank you for kind generosity, your help & support towards all we do, coffee mornings, social evenings, fayres, raffles etc. We ask, you give, over & over again. We are overwhelmed by your kindness. Our success is down to your care & generosity. We could not do this without you. Well done & thank you, one & all. You are all amazing & we are humbled by your continuous support & exceptionally grateful, many, many thanks from the Ways & Means Committee & have a blessed Christmas.

**Church Social** – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January, 7pm. Come join us for fun & fellowship, bring a friend. The night will be a Snowman drive. Tickets available from W&M Committee members, adults £6.00, child £3.00 includes supper.

**Stamps/Coins** – the church is collecting used postage stamps & no longer required foreign coins in support of Teesside Hospice; a yellow collection bucket is in the foyer. Please collect all the stamps you get off any Christmas card or letters you receive this festive season, many thanks.

**Offering: Don't ask "what do I need to give?" But "how do I give reflecting God's love for me?"**

Did you know we get no financial help from outside; all our income comes from what we do & from the support people like you give us, thank you for your support in God's continuing work in the Church. As a sign of the offering of ourselves, please stand as the Stewards bring forward today's offering.

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## CHRISTMAS NOW AND THEN

Snowflakes dancing from the sky  
Children laughing passing by.  
Snowball fights and sledges glide  
Santa's reindeer soon will ride.  
Stockings hung for one for all  
Mistletoe hangs in the hall.  
Christmas trees with lights aglow  
Presents tied up with a bow.

Shepherds in the fields abide  
From the East, the Wise Men ride.  
Mary, Joseph and the child  
Baby Jesus, meek and mild.  
Gold and Frankincense and Myrrh  
Presents for the baby fair.  
Shepards coming to adore  
The baby whom Mary bore.

The gifts we get on that day  
Are sent with love, as they say.  
Even more, from God above,  
Comes to us the gift of love.  
For this baby grows to be  
Our saviour, who sets us free.  
Dying on the accursed tree  
For the love of you and me.

CELIA SHIRES 14.9.24

**The notice sheet editorial team would like to thank everyone  
a blessed Christmas & a prosperous New Year  
Remember to share the reason for the season  
NEXT NOTICE SHEET – 4<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

