

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES – Week commencing October 25<sup>th</sup> 2026.

### FOOD BANK AND REFUGEE COLLECTIONS.

These take place on Mondays

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| Sunday<br>October<br>25th   | Clive Gray                                                     | 10.30am                            | Church                             |
| Monday<br>October<br>26th   | Badminton                                                      | 10am – 12mid                       | Croft View                         |
|                             | Open Church<br>KOGs                                            | 10.45 – 12<br>5 - 7.30pm           | Church<br>Church                   |
| Tues.<br>October<br>27th    | LUNCH CLUB                                                     | 12 -2.30pm                         | Church                             |
| Wed,<br>October<br>28th     | Junior Section Boys<br>Brigade.<br>Company & Senior<br>section | 6.15 -<br>7.30pm<br><br>7.30 -9pm  | Croft Hall<br><br>Croft Hall       |
| Thursday<br>October<br>29th | Open Prayers<br>Toddler Club<br><br>Anchor Boys                | 8.30pm<br>11am to<br>1pm<br>6 -7pm | CHURCH<br>Church<br><br>Croft Hall |
| Friday<br>October<br>30th   | Indoor Bowls                                                   | 1.30pm                             | Croft Halls                        |
| Saturday<br>October<br>31st | Coffee morning.<br><b>Lanchester Cricket Club</b>              | 10am –<br>12mid.                   | CHURCH                             |

**CHURCH NOTICES FOR NEXT WEEK.** If you any items for the week commencing November 1st please telephone Margaret on 07795 034427 or email [churchnotices@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:churchnotices@hotmail.co.uk) by **Wednesday, October 28th**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHECK THE NOTICE BOARDS AT THE BACK OF CHURCH,**

**Minister : Rev. Rick Ormrod**

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**THE NORTHWEST DURHAM CIRCUIT**

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**SUNDAY October 25<sup>th</sup> 2026**

10.30am  
Stewards  
Creche  
Jr.Church

Clive Gray  
Bill and Jennifer  
See notice  
NO JUNIOR CHURCH

Members of the church community who will be leading worship and working for God elsewhere on October 25<sup>th</sup>

|              |                                     |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| Ian Andrew   | Delves Lane (11am)                  |
| Kath Jones   | Leadgate (9.45am)                   |
| Rev.R.Ormrod | South Moor (10.45am) Holy Communion |

### WELCOME

We welcome any visitors and anyone who is joining us for the first time today. Please introduce yourself to one of our stewards who wear name badges. For safety reasons, would parents please look after their children after the service both inside and outside the church?

## CHURCH FLOWERS

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|--------------------------|------------|
| October 25 <sup>th</sup> | Mrs Hughes |
| November 1 <sup>st</sup> | Mrs Hall   |
| November 8 <sup>th</sup> | Mrs Dixon  |

## SUNDAY November 1<sup>st</sup> 2026

|               |                    |
|---------------|--------------------|
| 10.30am       | Philip Mason       |
| Stewards      | Sarah and Margaret |
| Creche        | See notice         |
| Junior Church | NO JUNIOR CHURCH   |

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|                  |                                      |
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| Rev. Rick Ormrod | White le Head 911am) Holy Communion) |
| Kath Jones       | Annfield Plain (10.15)               |

## FEEDBACK FROM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING ON OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

At its meeting on 8th October, Church Council celebrated many encouraging developments in the life of our church and community. Highlights included successful summer and youth activities, the growing Mustard Seed Project funded by a £3,500 grant, preparations for Advent and Christmas, ongoing outreach through Food Week, Churches Together and support for women at the Derwentside Immigration Detention Centre, and continued progress towards our Silver Eco Church Award.

Council also approved the annual accounts, noting a positive financial position supported by regular donations, Gift Aid and reduced utility costs, and agreed to investigate options for introducing a card reader to support future giving.

Everyone was encouraged to take part in the community suicide prevention training **on 17th October** and showing of the People's Emergency Briefing **on 25th October** and to support the many upcoming Christmas events and opportunities for outreach.

The meeting also expressed thanks to all those serving across the church, particularly in pilgrimage activities, youth work, safeguarding and pastoral care.

The next Church Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday 23rd February 2027 at 7.30pm**. Full minutes of the meeting will be available to read in the red file in the porch area of the chapel.

## LANCHESTER FOOD WEEK OCTOBER 24<sup>TH</sup> TO 31<sup>ST</sup> 2026

Our church is again taking part in Lanchester Food Week, from 24th to 31st October 2026. We are pulling together a programme of events for this. If you would like to run any extra food related events during this week, we would love to be able to offer as many things as possible. Church hire will be free for this week and all events get well advertised in the village via the Lanchester food week team, so if you have a favourite charity you would like to run an event for, or any other ideas, then this is the perfect time to do it. Please speak to Sonia ( or email [soniaanddavid@btinternet.com](mailto:soniaanddavid@btinternet.com) / text 07736774141) or any of the church leadership team.

## CHRISTIAN AID

Our "Big Brekkie" on Saturday October 17th raised an amazing **£447.15**. Thank you to all who helped in any way.

## TRAVELLING NATIVITY.

We hope to send some nativities from house to house around the village in December, ideally with each house keeping a knitted angel. If anyone is able to knit or crochet angels to give out that would be appreciated. We have three nativities currently but if you have any more you would like to donate, we could send more around. Please pass on angels or nativities by November to Sonia or others from the leadership team.

## LANCHESTER PARTNERSHIP – PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING

Lanchester Partnership is hosting a local screening of the People's Emergency Briefing, and we would be delighted if you could join us and help spread the word.

The film brings together leading UK scientists and experts to explain how the climate and nature crisis affects our food, health, economy and everyday lives. Importantly, it also explores the positive and practical actions we can take—individually and collectively—to help create a better future. Please note due to the nature of topics covered, this film is only suitable for those aged 16 and over.

The screening will take place:

**Date: 25th October 2026**

**Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm**

**Venue: Lanchester Community Centre**

**Booking details: Eventbrite**

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1998489332391?aff=oddtcreator>

For further details on booking tickets please see the poster on the church notice board or speak to Jen Davies **on Sunday 18th or 25th October**.

## KOGS ARE BACK AGAIN!

That's right, after yet another summer holiday that has seemed to fly by we are once again back!

As always we have LOTS going on already for the 26/27 School year, starting with 2 weeks of science and pizzas, led by Roy Quinlan and Ian Reeves.



We also have coming up - Private after hours Hall Hill Farm Tour, a visit from the Fire Brigade (yes, they are bringing a fire engine!!) a KoGs Bonfire night special, our Festive Fundraiser, Christmas Party Night, Christmas PJ Movie night, Trip to Sheffield to watch Sheffield Steelers (blame Laura for that one!) and our return to Seahouses for our residential on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. This year's theme? CAMP AVENGERS! And an extremely special event will take place in April 2027 to mark the 20<sup>th</sup> Birthday of KoGs! We are also hoping to revisit our Homeless awareness event with including out big sleep out.

## FESTIVE FUNDRAISER - SATURDAY, 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.

Our Festive Fundraiser tickets are now on sale and will take place at Lanchester Methodist Church on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 4:30pm. They will be priced at £5 per Child under 8 years and £8 per Adult and can be bought via Laura + Pete – 07428500059, Kath Jones – 07704160449 or Email us at [Kidsofgod@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:Kidsofgod@hotmail.co.uk)

Each ticket includes Homemade Broth Supper + Bread Roll, Tea / Coffee, Mince Pies and Gingerbread men

Additional hot and cold drinks will be available to purchase throughout the event.

We will have light entertainment and will be showing the film 'The Nativity' after the meal.

There will also be Homemade apple chutney and lots of festive jam (Made by Pete) on sale as well as some jewellery and other crafts.

Get your tickets before they sell out!

KoGs Merch is available and open to everyone.

Our merch is a fabulous way to help us spread the word that we are here.

All items are sold at cost price and we never make a profit on them! We have everything from pens, backpacks and water bottles to fleeces, gilets, dryrobes and more!

All information for these are on the Yellow KoGs board at the back of the church!

We are very pleased to let you know we have opened up our books again and have a few spaces available if you would like to come along and give it a go! At KoGs we offer a range of activities including: 2 course meal, games, messy games, day trips, evening trips, residential weekend trips, crafts, drama, cell sessions/ life skills and much much more! We start at 5pm to 7.30pm, Monday's during School Terms (and some half terms) At Lanchester Methodist Church for all ages 8 – 18 years!

The cost of the sessions is £3 per person weekly or £30 per person a term but your first week is free! All activities (excluding additional trips) and your weekly meal is included. We are open to anyone who would like to join us, you don't have to have a religious background!

For more information contact Laura & Peter Cole on 07428500059 / 01207 654291 or email [kidsofgod@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kidsofgod@hotmail.co.uk)

We also have a Facebook page if you'd like to see more or get in touch with us that way, [www.facebook.com/kidsofgodlanchest](https://www.facebook.com/kidsofgodlanchest)



