

CHURCH ACTIVITIES – Week commencing February 1st 2026

FOOD BANK AND REFUGEE COLLECTIONS.

These take place on Mondays and Wednesdays, 11 -12 midday.

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| Sunday, February 1st | Local Arrangement led by Sarah Hay. Pilgrimage. | 10,30am | Church |
| Monday February 2nd | Badminton Open Church KOGs | 10AM - 12mid 10.45 -12 5 -7.30pm | Croft View Church Church |
| Tues February 3rd | Lunch | 12 -3pm | Church |
| Wed, February 4th | Wives and Friends Junior Section Boys Brigade. Company & Senior section | 1.30pm 6.15 - 7.30pm 7.30 -9pm | Church Croft View Croft View |
| Thursday February 5th | Open Prayers Toddler group Anchor Boys Ladies Night | 8.30pm 10 – 12, 30pm 6-7pm 7.30pm | CHURCH CHURCH Croft View Lanchester Social Club |
| Friday February 6th | Indoor Bowls | 1.30pm | Croft Halls |
| Saturday February 7th | Coffee Morning. Blood Cancer UK | 10am - 12mid. | CHURCH |

CHURCH NOTICES FOR NEXT WEEK. If you any items for the week commencing **February 8th** please telephone Margaret on 07795 034427 or email churchnotices@hotmail.co.uk by **Wednesday, Feb. 4th**

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



THE NORTHWEST DURHAM CIRCUIT
LANCHESTER METHODIST CHURCH
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SUNDAY February 1st 2026

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| 10.30am | Local Arrangement led by Sarah Hay (Companion and former Leader of the Northumbria Community, Spiritual Director, Retreat Leader, currently Supervisor at Lindisfarne Priory) |
| Stewards Creche J Church | Sarah and Bill See notice Mark and Elaine |

Members of the church community who will be leading worship and working for God elsewhere on February 1st 2026
Rev. S. Earl **Consett (9.45 am)**

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?

CRECHE

Sadly we are not able to provide a creche at present, but there are toys, books etc in the back room if parents/carers wish to take their children out of the service. Children of any age are very welcome to join in with junior church although we ask if any child under 3 could come out with a parent / carer,

CHURCH FLOWERS

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| February 1st | Mrs Gardiner |
| February 8th | Mrs Davies |
| February 15th | Mrs Gill |

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 8th 2025

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| 10.30am | Phil Mason |
| Stewards | Jen and Doreen |
| Creche | See notice |
| Junior Church | Kath and Bill |
| 6pm | Circuit service led by Rev. S.Earl |
| Stewards | Jennifer and Lynn |

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Janet Quinlan Leadgare 9.45am)
Rev. S. Earl United service at South Moor Uniting with Whie le Head

LANCESTER METHODIST CHURCH WIVES & FRIENDS.

Wednesday February 4th at 1:30pm.

Scripture Market. If members would like to bring a verse from the bible which mentions an item & if possible please bring the item. After the verse is read out the item will then be auctioned.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of Church Council will be **Thursday 5th February**. Please send any items for discussion to jewdavies@yahoo.co.uk

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Christan Aid soup lunch will be held on **Wednesday 11 March**. More details to follow.

SOUP LUNCH

On Jan 25, 30 of us enjoyed lunch after church with lots of chance to chat. Though it wasn't our prime aim, we raised £135 for our church charities. A big thankyou to all who helped in any way.

CHURCH CHARITIES 2026

The Church Council has agreed for our church to support '**Watoto**' and '**If U Care Share**'. We have links with both charities: Watoto through Julia and Mark Lloyd who visited Watoto very recently and we will be welcoming the Watoto Children's Choir to church on **14th February**. If U Care Share because David Brown supports and works with the charity.

Here is a brief introduction:

Watoto Celebrating Christ, caring for community. Watoto brings hope and healing to vulnerable women and children in Uganda and South Sudan. Watoto Villages - Giving the lost and forgotten a family. Baby Watoto - Rescuing orphaned and abandoned babies, giving them a bright future. Watoto Neighbourhood - Returning dignity to Africa's women. Keep a Girl in School - Every girl matters and every girl has the right to stay in school.

If U Care Share A local charity based in Pelaw If U Care Share's vision is of a society where suicide is prevented. The mission is to provide fair and impartial access to timely, effective, and appropriate services that are designed to meet the unique needs of people affected by, or at risk of, suicide.

To support our charity giving, please think creatively and enjoy working together throughout the coming year. Thank you Margaret Coates Richard Hume Mark Temple

THANK YOU FROM WILLOWBURN HOSPICE.

The money raised from Carol Singing in the village has been donated to Willowburn Hospice. They have sent a card to the church thanking us for this generous donation of £210.10 and have said that the funds will be used to fund 10 hours of nursing care in the Helen McArdle Inpatient wing in the coming year, Please see a copy of the card circulated with these notices.....

KOGS CHURCH NOTICES DECEMBER 2025

We have so much happening at KoGs in 2026! So, if you're looking to get in on our action, come and join us!

We are hitting the road again in May and heading back to Seahouses with more of our members for a jam-packed long weekend full of fun, laughs and memory making – we can't wait!

We also have lots of guests coming to help with our sessions this next term starting with Jayne Natress from Henry Dancer Days to come and talk about Henry's time with us at KoGs, his story and of course the amazing work that she carries out with the charity Henry Dancer Days. Speaking of Henry Dancer Days, our very own Pete is taking on his first ever Great North Run

in September 2026 to help raise money and awareness for Henry Dancer Days!

Other guest speakers and workshop runners will include people from Prison Me No Way! Service to speak about drugs, anti-social behaviour, knife crime and gangs. Lucy Brooks – a Swim instructor and Life Guard coming to do some water safety training with us, and Joy Wingfield will be coming to lead this year's Mother's day Craft workshop – just to name a few!

We will also be holding a coffee morning on 14th March complete with a mini KoGs Shopping experience – more information coming soon!!!

We have recently received a few donations from people whom wish to stay anonymous – THANK YOU so much you know who you are! It really makes a huge difference to our group and we truly appreciate it!

Please be sure to follow our Facebook page to keep up to date with all of our adventures! www.facebook.com/kidsofgodlanchester

We do have room for a few more so it's still not too late to join us! KoGs (Kids of God) is a Christian based youth group that meets in the Methodist Church on Monday Evenings.

We offer a range of activities including: 2 course meal, games, messy games, day trips, evening trips, residential weekend trips, crafts, drama, cell sessions and much much more!

We start at 5pm to 7.30pm, Monday's during School Terms.

Ages 8 – 18 years.

The cost of the sessions is £3 per person but your first week is free! (All activities and your weekly meal is included)

For more information contact Laura & Peter Cole on 07428500059 / 01207 654291 or email kidsofgod@hotmail.co.uk

WATOTO CHILDREN'S CHOIR TOUR 2026

Saturday 14th February 2026 15:00

Lanchester Methodist Church DH7 0ER

TICKETS ARE FREE!

We are delighted to welcome the internationally loved Watoto Children's Choir to Lanchester for a vibrant, hope-filled afternoon of music, dance, and inspirational stories. This special event is led by children aged 10-12 from Uganda with their adult team, sharing powerful testimonies of restoration and joy through an energetic and heart-lifting performance.

This is a FREE event but tickets must be reserved through Eventbrite. Book early as tickets are limited.

Use the QR code :- or the

URL:-



www.tinyurl.com/watotolanchester

A voluntary offering will be taken to support the ongoing work of Watoto.

