CHURCH ACTIVITIES – Week commencing November 8th 2026.

FOOD BANK AND REFUGEE COLLECTIONS.
These take place on Mondays

Sunday November 8th	Ecumenical Service. Remembrance Service. 	10.45am	Village Green
Monday November 9th	Badminton Open Church KOGs	10am – 12mid 10.45 – 12 5 - 7.30pm	Croft View Church Church
Tues. November 10th	LUNCH CLUB	12 -2.30pm	Church
Wed, November 11th	Junior Section Boys Brigade. Company & Senior section	6.15 - 7.30pm 7.30 -9pm	Croft Hall Croft Hall
Thursday November 12th	Open Prayers Toddler Club Anchor Boys Men's Meditation	8.30pm 11am to 1pm 6 -7pm 7.30pmish	CHURCH Church Croft Hall .Lanchester Social Club
Friday November 13th	Indoor Bowls	1.30pm	Croft Halls
Saturday November 14th	Coffee morning. Alison Gray	10am – 12mid.	CHURCH

CHURCH NOTICES FOR NEXT WEEK. If you any items for the week commencing November 15th please telephone Margaret on 07795 034427 or email churchnotices@hotmail.co.uk by **Wednesday, November 11th.**

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

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SUNDAY November 8th 2026



10.45am **Ecumenical Service.**
Remembrance Service on the Village Green.
(Please see notice.)

6pm **Circuit Service led by Rev.Rick Ormrod at Annfield Plain Methodist Church.**

Members of the church community who will be leading worship and working for God elsewhere on November 8th

Clive Gray	Blackhill and Shotley Bridge uniting
Rev. Rick Ormrod	Medomsley (11am) at Church of England

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

November 8th Mrs Dixon
November 15th Mrs Rowe
November 22nd Mrs Wingfield

SUNDAY November 15th 2026

10.30am	Rev. Rick Ormrod. Holy Communion, Baptism
Stewards	Jen and Sarah
Creche	No creche
Junior Church	Kath and Claire

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE -NOVEMBER 8TH 2026

This Sunday our morning service at Lanchester Methodist Church is at the Cenotaph on the village green. The service starts at 10:45am with a parade at of youth groups from 10.30am from the Black Bull. Unfortunately we will be unable to live stream the service.

FRIENDSHIP ACROSS BORDERS FUNDRAISING

Thank you to all who came to our coffee morning in September. We raised £236. Here is another opportunity to support the visitors to the women held in Derwentside.

MUSIC & POETRY EVENING

Saturday 7th November at 7pm (Doors open 6.30pm)

Blackhall Mill Community Centre

More information & Tickets £10
available at https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendshipacrossborders1/2407575
Or contact christine.slatcher@gmail.com

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The time for packing shoeboxes to send to children, for whom the box may be the only Christmas gift they receive, is here once again. If you are able to pass this joy onto one or two of these children then I'm hoping the leaflets will be available at church on Sunday. We do still have some boxes from last year so ask me if you want one. Please bring filled boxes to chapel by **10th NOVEMBER**. You can if you wish pack and send a box on line by going to **Operation Christmas Child UK 2026**
Thanks Olna 520664

COFFEE MORNINGS 2027

If you would like to organise a coffee morning for your organisation or charity, please get in touch with me in the next two weeks . After that I will be offering it out to the wider village community.
Many thanks
Judith Brown 07947600415 or judith@bordinelbrown.me.uk

HELP NEEDED AT STANLEY FOOD BANK.

Is anyone available to help at the food bank at The Venue in Stanley twice a month on a Wednesday morning for 2 hours, 10-12 ?
We are urgently needing a volunteer to fill this post, helping in the store alongside another volunteer.
If you feel that this is something you would be interested in doing , please have a chat with Margaret Lynn or phone 07788661500.

HALF DAY RETREAT TO SHEPHERD'S DENE

For our November pilgrimage opportunity, you are invited to join us for a half day retreat making some space to focus on God before the busyness of Advent begins. We will begin our day with tea / coffee from 10 am and then spend some time altogether in the chapel for worship and reflection. After this there will be time to explore different activities set up around the house including our indoor labyrinth, prayer stations, an opportunity to sit with your Bible in front of the fire, do some colouring or enjoying a stroll in the beautiful grounds. We will then join together for a light lunch which will be provided by the staff at Shepherd's Dene. We will draw our time to a close between 2 / 2.30pm by sharing bread together in the form of an agape meal. The cost of the day is £27 pp and if you would like to come along you must let Sarah Hume know by Sunday 15th November. Thank you

sarahruthhume@gmail.com

Tel 07933074191

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.

EXHIBITION OF CREATION AND CREATIVITY AT LANCHESTER LIBRARY 2-7 NOVEMBER EXHIBITING 12 OF THE WONDERFUL CREATIONS OF OUR CHILDREN.

Please come and support our young people from KOGs, the Boys Brigade and year 6 children from the Lanchester EP school by visiting Lanchester Library this week.

As part of the Mustard Seed Microscope Project we went into the Boys Brigade, KOGs and year 6 classes at the EP Primary School to encourage the children to look at the beauty of creation. They all went out and looked at the life around them in the playground, in the garden etc and with the use of a macro lens they have made the most wonderful pictures and written a short description of their photos to link them to the subject of creation.

By doing this we hope they have seen the wonder of creation and the wonder of the Creator. Their photographic images and captions have far exceeded our expectations. Their enthusiasm was wonderful to witness.

Seven independent judges were asked to help shortlist the 79 submitted entrants down to 12. These 12 are being exhibited in Lanchester Library from 2 – 7 Nov.
The library is open
Monday & Tuesday 2-5.30 p.m. Wednesday and Friday closed
Thursday 9a.m. to 7 p.m.
Saturday 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.
On the Saturday 7 there will be tea/coffee and refreshments served from 9.30-11.30 a.m.

In the library there will be voting slips to choose the “best of the best”. When you visit, please choose your favourite exhibit and put the number of the exhibit on the voting slip and pop it into the voting box.

The winner will be announced in a service led by the team at Lanchester Methodist Church at 10.30 a.m. on the 22 November and the prize for the winner will be a macro lens and filter kit.

It would be good for as many of you who are reading this, whether you live in Lanchester or elsewhere in the circuit, to come and support these children as we reach out to the community via the Mustard Seed Microscope Project.

The Mustard Seed Microscope Project Team: Kath Jones, Roy Quinlan and Ian Reeve.

KOGS FESTIVE FUNDRAISER - SATURDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER.
Our Festive Fundraiser tickets are now on sale and will take place at Lanchester Methodist Church on **Saturday 28th 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
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, gillets, 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
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