

CHURCH ACTIVITIES – Week commencing October 26th 2025

FOOD BANK AND REFUGEE COLLECTIONS.

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

Sunday Oct.26th	Rev, S, Earl Holy Communion	10.30am .	Church
Monday Oct. 27th	Badminton Open Church KOGs	10AM - 12mid 10.45 -12 5 -7.30pm	Croft View Church Church
Tues Oct. 28th	Lunch	12 -3pm	CHURCH
Wed, Oct. 29th	Junior Section Boys Brigade. Company & Senior section	6.15 - 7.30pm 7.30 -9pm	Croft View Croft View
Thursday Oct.30th	Open Prayers Toddler group Anchor Boys	8.30pm 10 – 12, 30pm 6-7pm	CHURCH CHURCH Croft View
Friday Oct.31st	Indoor Bowls	1.30pm	Croft Halla
Saturday Nov. 1st	Coffee Morning Charity to be confirmed Justine Harrison	10am	CHURCH

CHURCH NOTICES FOR NEXT WEEK. If you any items for the week commencing Nov. 2nd 2025. please telephone Margaret on 07795 034427 or email churchnotices@hotmail.co.uk by **Wednesday, October 29th**

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THE NORTHWEST DURHAM CIRCUIT

LANCHESTER METHODIST CHURCH

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SUNDAY October 26th 2025

10.30am
Stewards
Creche
Jr Church

Rev. Stuart Earl. Holy Communion

Jennifer and Bill

Please see notice.

Sonia and Claire Pine. (We will be doing food related games and crafts for Lanchester food week.)

Members of the church community who will be leading worship and working for God elsewhere on October 26th

Ian Andrew Delves Lane (11am)

Barrbara Dickinson Annfield Plain (10.15am)

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?

TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB

We continue to meet every Tuesday from **12noon until 3pm**. All are welcome for lunch or to pop in for a coffee and chat!
Margaret Coates

CHURCH FLOWERS

October 26 th	Mrs Hughes
November 2 nd	Mrs Hall
November 9 th	Mrs Dixon

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2nd 2025

10.30	David Brown
Stewards	Bill and Margaret
Creche	Please see notice
Jr Church	Mark and Inge

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Clive Gray	White le Head (11am)
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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.

LANCHESTER FOOD WEEK

Lanchester food week is happening from **the 25/10 to 2/11** and we have been asked to get involved. We are going to pull together a programme of food related activities we already have on that week, but if anyone else would like to run an event, either big or small, that week in church we would love to be able to offer as many things as possible. If you have an idea please speak to any member of the leadership team or contact Sonia on 07736774141. Thanks **Please see the poster circulated with these notices.**

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

I now have the leaflets for the 2025 Shoe box appeal and will leave some in the porch for you to pick up. There are also some empty boxes just waiting to be filled so ask me if you want one. I know there are some who find it difficult to shop for contents but it is possible to fill a box on line or just to give a donation to the appeal. This is something we have supported over many years and I hope we can make the effort again this year. Remember the shoeboxes that we send will deliver Good News and great joy, bringing priceless smiles, unimaginable excitement and hope to children in great need. Thanks, Olna

CHRISTIAN AID COFFEE MORNING

Many thanks to those who helped in any way on October 11. We raised an amazing £285!

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 6th December, 7pm Sound the Trumpets.

An evening of Christmas music with very talented musicians. Further details and tickets nearer the time! Margaret Coates

WATOTO STORIES OF RESTORATION TOUR

Date and time: Wednesday 3rd December 2025 6.30pm

Venue: All Saints Catholic Church Parish Centre, Kitswell Road, Lanchester, DH7 0JH

Watoto is a charity that brings hope and healing to vulnerable women and children in Uganda and South Sudan. A Watoto Village is a safe place where orphaned and vulnerable children can experience the love of a family. The villages provide homes, families and holistic care to over 3000 children. Watoto Neighbourhood provides adult literacy classes, discipleship, business skills training and job opportunities to some of the most vulnerable women in Africa, women who have been left to bear the brunt of war, poverty and disease.

Come and listen to Allen, a Watoto Graduate who was once orphaned and abandoned as she shares her testimony of growing up in the Watoto family. She will share her testimony of redemption, restoration, and the life-changing power of Jesus Christ.

You're invited to this special event where you'll have the opportunity to meet two remarkable women, Allen and also Ritah, and hear their incredible stories of how their lives were transformed by the love of Jesus.

Refreshments available!

Although there is no charge for this event, an offering will be taken to contribute towards the work of Watoto. There will also be the opportunity to purchase beautiful merchandise made by the talented Watoto Neighbourhood women.

WATOTO CHARITY

Watoto brings hope and healing to vulnerable women and children in Uganda and South Sudan. Watoto villages provide homes, families and holistic care to over 3000 children. Baby Watoto rescues orphaned and abandoned babies giving them a bright future and the Watoto Neighbourhood Projects return dignity to Africa's greatest resource, her women. God is at the centre of everything Watoto do.

Mark and Julia Lloyd from Lanchester recently spent time in Uganda volunteering with Baby Watoto. They plan to return for 3 – 4 months next year and would love to be able to take out much needed supplies of premature baby milk, nappies, bottles and as much as they can fit into 6 suitcases to support this charity. As part of their fundraising for the children and women they are hosting, together with some wonderful volunteers, a Christmas Crafting afternoon at Lanchester Methodist Church. Please see below or find all the information in the poster accompanying these notices.

Christmas Crafting

Lanchester Methodist Church

**Wednesday 17th December 2025 1.30 –
3.30pm**

**Refreshments available – Tea/Coffee and
Mince Pie**

**Tickets £12 – to include a Framed Craft, Stick
Christmas Tree
and Mini Bobble Hat Party Favor**

KOGS AUTUMN UPDATE!

On Monday 13th October we held our first trip of the new 25/26 school year. A trip to Knitsley Farm Shop and Granary Café in Knitsley.

We heard from 3 Generations of the Jewson Family including the legend that is Billy himself!

Massive thank you to the Farm Shop for our amazing behind the scenes tour which included a talk about the business and the buildings from Ellen, Rachel in the bakery for answering questions and to Ian in the boning shed for showing us around and where our meat actually comes from, and of course to William for letting us meet his pigs!

We had a beautiful meal of Chicken and chorizo lasagne thanks to Rachael Jewson.

And of course thanks to our own Pete for actually teaching us all about meat and how to make sausage! (You'd think it was his job- it is by the way!)

Once again thank you to all involved- we LOVED our session and member feedback says "BEST NIGHT EVER"!

We have lots coming up in the next few weeks as we start to get excited about bonfire night and dare I say it - CHRISTMASSS!!

We have received a few donations recently and we would like to say a huge thank you to those who have very generously sent them.

We won't name any of you but you know who you are!

It makes a MASSIVE impact to us and we would like to thank you for all your thoughts and support. They really do help keep all of our running costs to a minimum!

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/kidsofgodlanchester