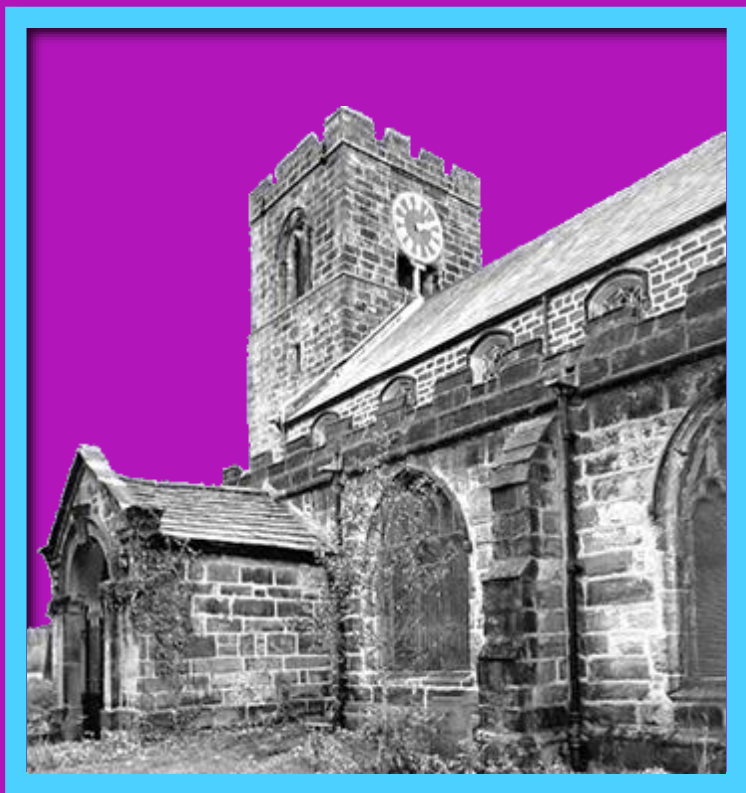


# IN TOUCH

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Otley Parish  
CHURCH



**O****TLEY PARISH CHURCH** is the oldest building in Otley. It's at the heart of our town and, for over 1,000 years, people have been gathering here for worship, with significant family as well as community events.

We are a gathering place for pilgrims on a journey of discovery, kindling hope as we go, and helping one another to be more fully alive to the wonders, the joys and the sorrows of life. We'd love you to share the journey with us.

We want to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to Christ and in service to our local community.

Join us in worshipping our God together on Sundays and in daily life; be with us as we study and discern how to use the Bible in the 21st century; also learn with us what it is to be disciples in the 21st century following Jesus, and help us, with other churches in the town, to bring good news to Otley and far beyond.

**“There is a place for everyone,  
with CHRIST  
at the centre of it all”**

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# Dear Friends Letter



I wonder what comes to mind when you read the words “Prayer Meeting”? Do you say to yourself, “Oh no, not for me - stifling, awkward silences? No thanks”. Or perhaps you think, “Sitting in a room for an hour with strait-laced, po-faced keenies? I’d rather clean the oven!” Or perhaps your internal monologue goes like this, “Talking to God with other people? I don’t even do that very much on my own! No thanks – and I hate speaking in front of a large group!”

Of course, it’s always possible that you say, “Yes! I am hungry for more of God in my life, and I want to see his kingdom come in Otley. Get me to the church on time!”

Even if you were willing to attend a prayer meeting, you may also freely admit that it can be awkward, boring, and uncomfortable at times. Well, I don’t think prayer meetings need to be like that, and I have a few suggestions about how we might avoid that in the future. (Yes, we’re launching a new church prayer meeting very soon, so watch this space for details.)

- 1. Come in Faith.** We must come to prayer in faith. Whether we are praying individually or in a group, if we come to pray believing that God hears our prayer and has the power the answer it, we are off to a good start. So, check yourself. Am I allowing my mind to be filled with unfounded doubts and negativity towards God, or am I coming to him in faith? Nothing will happen in prayer without faith!

2. **Come Full.** Prayer meetings are not where we come to get topped up in our walk with God. If we come to a prayer meeting hoping to get our walk with God back on track, especially if this is true for many of those gathering, we are guaranteed to have an awkward, boring, and uncomfortable time together, wondering, “Why did we put ourselves through this?!” So, if we all come to the prayer meeting overflowing with strong praise, and hopeful petition, we’ll have a more fruitful time.
3. **Up!** For many of us a prayer meeting involves taking turns, and speaking out loud to ask God for things from a long list of wants. This is intercessory prayer, technically, but if all we think about in a meeting are our needs, we will be terribly aware of what we don’t have. This is depressing, and makes for a torturous prayer meeting. Rather, if we first lift our eyes to heaven in praise and worship, we will then have a vision for prayer.
4. **In!** A prayer meeting without Jesus is pointless. But he promises us, “Where two or three are gathered together in my name, I am there in the midst of them” - *Matthew 18:20*. And so, the Lord will want to minister to us, his people, to strengthen us and empower us to carry his presence into the world, so an essential part of a prayer meeting is listening carefully to the Holy Spirit who may speak through Scripture, a picture or word, to encourage, guide and direct us. That is both exciting and empowering!
5. **Out!** Having placed ourselves in an awareness of God’s presence and goodness through praise, and received from him in ourselves, we are then in a place to reach out to the world around us in prayer.

**Boring? Awkward? Uncomfortable? No thanks! Let’s come in faith, come already full of God, to look up, in and then out. Let’s pray!**

- *Look out for details of forthcoming prayer meetings coming soon!*

# IN THE **HOT** SEAT

*with*

**Nathan Twichell**



**We know that you are fairly new to Otley Parish Church, Nathan, and many of us will know you by sight but not really know much about you. Will you please answer a few questions that will help us all to get to know you a little better? *Thank you!***

## **When were you born and where did you grow up?**

I was born in 1977 in Buffalo, New York, in the middle of a blizzard which has sparked a lifelong love of snow. At the age of 5 my parents divorced, so my brothers and I moved with our mother to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where I spent the next 42 years.

## **Did you go to College or University? If so, where?**

I majored in Business Management at Grove City College, in Grove City, Pennsylvania. Grove City is a small, Christian university, and the

friends that I made there are still some of my closest friends.

## **When did you become a Christian?**

I was blessed to have a Christian mother and grandparents who modelled faith for me. I accepted Jesus at a young age, and grew up going to church regularly. During university I stopped attending church, stopped taking my faith seriously, and things got a little pear shaped. God did not stop pursuing me though, and it was through seeing people living out their faith, living lives of consequence, that I decided

Jesus was worth taking seriously.

**When and where did you meet your wife, Erika?**

Erika and I met on 6th December 2011 at a St. Nicholas Day gathering at her house. It was love at first sight for me, and I had to try really hard to play it cool, try to talk to other people there, and not just Erika. But I was so taken by her, her heart for Jesus, her love for the church, and her experiences sharing the love of Jesus in China and elsewhere. We started dating two months later, and were married a year to the day of our first date. When you know, you know!

**What was your occupation and where did you work? What is your occupation now – and where? Does Erika work?**

When we first met, I was managing my family's small business, selling rock climbing and backpacking equipment. This was good training for what I do now, serving as the Farm Shop Manager at Crag House Farm/Caring For Life in Cookridge. Erika and I had been praying about a call to serve the church overseas, and we never expected that call to take us to Yorkshire! We prayed that God would call us someplace where we could serve those on the margins of society, and some place where the local church was small and where we

could be of encouragement. Erika also works at Caring For Life where she is starting an Expressive Arts Therapeutic Project for the vulnerable adults that the charity serves.

**Do you have brothers and sisters?**

I am the middle of three boys. My older brother is Matthew, and my younger brother is Jesse.

**How many children do you have?**

We have 4 kiddos: Henry (10), Anne (7), and twins, George and Jack (5).

**How long have you been living in Otley or nearby and why did you choose to live here?**

We've been in the UK since the start of June this year, and are currently renting a home in Adel. Our kids go to school in Cookridge, and we work in Cookridge, so Adel is close to work and school, and not too far from OPC.

**Did you worship anywhere before coming to Otley Parish Church? How long have you been coming here?**

I had been attending an Anglican church in Pittsburgh for 23 years, so it was important to us to find an Anglican church here. Erika and I wandered into OPC when we visited the area in 2023, and immediately felt at home. We have been so blessed in our 4 months here, and appreciate how

welcoming you all have been to our family.

**Do you have a favourite Christian hymn or song?**

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”

**Do you like classical music? Do you have a favourite piece?**

I enjoy classical music, but wouldn't say that I have a favourite piece.

**What about modern songs or music – anything in particular?**

I spent most of my late teens, 20s, and early 30s deep in the indie rock scene around Pittsburgh. I'm sure my kids are tired of me trying to explain the beauty of Starflyer or The Innocence Mission!

**Can you play a musical instrument?**

Sadly, I never took the time to learn any instruments.

**Do you have a favourite part of Yorkshire that you like to visit?**

I absolutely love walking in the Dales. We have just scratched the surface of the trails and footpaths here, but we have loved the time we've spent on the footpaths above and around Grassington.

**Is there somewhere you would like to go on holiday where you've not been before, regardless of expense?**

I would really love to explore Scandinavia. I love mountains, water, and tall trees, so the wilds of Norway or Sweden seem pretty magical to me.

**A book you enjoyed reading – Christian or general? Any special reason?**

My favourite author is Wendell Berry. Berry is a farmer, a poet, an essayist, and novelist who focuses a lot of his writings on what it means to love a place. His books are set in a fictional small town in Kentucky, and contain beautiful examples of neighbourliness, fidelity, and care for creation.

**Do you have a hobby or something you enjoy doing to relax?**

I love being outside, love walks with Erika and the kids, love my bike ride to work, and generally need some time outside to feel relaxed.

**What would be your favourite meal?**

I am blessed to have married an awesome cook. If I had to pick a favourite meal, it would probably be some sort of taco, preferably with a healthy amount of spice.

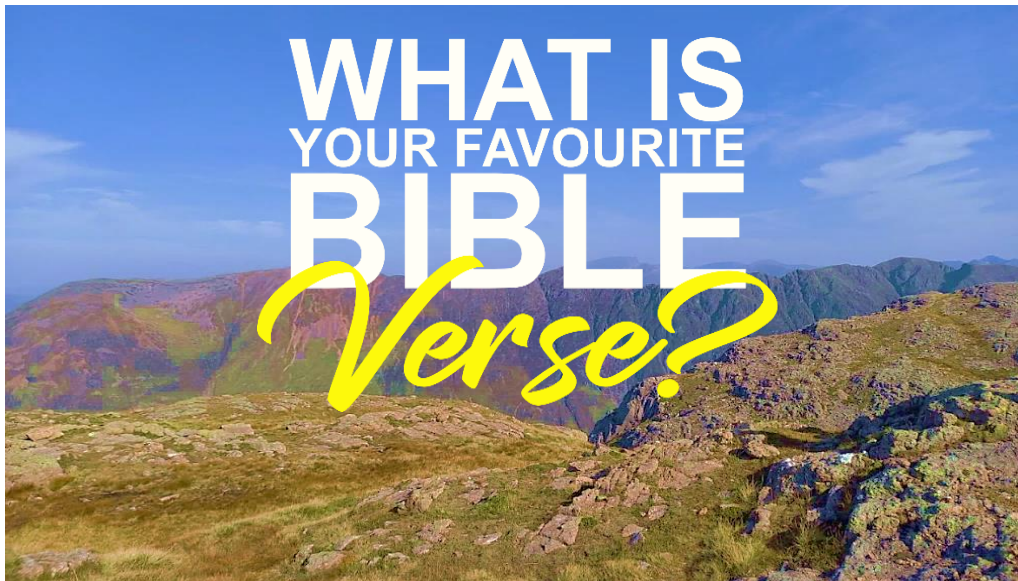
**If you were to spend a whole year on a desert island on your own, what luxury would you take with you?**

Coffee! I would absolutely make sure I had a year's supply of dark roast espresso and a moka pot to make it in!

**Which one word best describes your life right now?**

Chaotic!

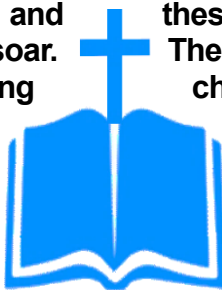




## Isaiah 40:28-31 (NIV)

*“Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.”*

I love these verses. There were many times in my working life where I felt exceptionally tired, and these words have always lifted me and made my heart soar. The whole chapter leaves me with a sense of being cherished by God. I love being up high in the mountains and seeing amazing views. So, the idea that I could fly effortlessly and enjoy the best of creation is incredible. All the clutter of life and responsibilities can be thrown off and you can just ‘be’. There is strength and refreshment to be found in the arms of this loving and mighty God.



Mary Pike



## ALLEN BRADFORD

Allen was taken into the loving arms of Jesus on 9th August 2024, at Mayfield View Care Home in Ilkley. He was 87 years old.

His funeral service was held at Otley Parish Church on 19th September.

Allen was the very much-loved husband of Kathleen who sadly died in 2017 after 58 years of marriage, and the much loved dad of Amanda and Helen. He was also a loving grandad and great grandad.



Allen will, of course, be very sadly missed by everyone who knew him at Otley Parish Church.

● *In the June 2020 edition of **IN TOUCH** Allen Bradford was featured in "The Story of My Life". For those of you who are fairly new to OPC it will be interesting for you to read his fascinating life story which is featured again in this month's edition on page 24.*



## ***Happy Birthday Daniel!***

Daniel was born on 3rd August 2020.  
He's the son of Katie and Rick Mayers.

**HAPPY  
40<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY!**



Geoff Park now 40 years old, was born on 4th August 1984 in Kendal, Cumbria, and grew up in nearby Garsdale. He is here with his daughter Eliza, aged 5.



## **Lovely New Baby!**

Stewart Hartley with his new granddaughter Olivia. She was born on 14th August and weighed 8lb 8oz. Also with Stewart is Alice, his lovely and lively 4-year-old grand-daughter. She has just started at school.



***CONGRATULATIONS MOLLY!***

**Molly Hird celebrated her 21st birthday on 3rd October 2024**



Happy Birthday  
Natalie!

'Young & Sweet Only 17' Natalie Bowman celebrated her birthday on 18th August. She was born way back in 2007!

# NATALIE RUNS GREAT NORTH RUN



**Natalie Bowman ran the Great North Run half marathon, 13.1 miles, from Newcastle-upon-Tyne to South Shields on Sunday 8th September 2024. Despite the awful wet weather, she thoroughly enjoyed it!  
*Very well done Natalie!***

# Baptism of Jane



**Jane (Xiuqin) Tao was baptised by Aaron Kennedy on Sunday 1st September 2024**

***“Jane, may your baptism serve as a beacon of hope and strength in your life’s journey”***



# MARTIN HIRD

*of Otley Parish Church is now a*

## LICENSED LAY MINISTER

**A** Licensed Lay Minister is the new term for what used to be known as a 'Reader'. It refers to a member of the congregation who has gone through training and assessment and then is formally recognised by the bishop as being able to "teach the faith, enable mission and lead in church and society". The training includes 6 modules, each with essays and some with practical assessments. It also includes a placement in another church or ministry setting. There are also regular assessments of sermons and feedback on the leading of services.



LLMs serve both in their local congregations, and they may take roles elsewhere, such as in Chaplaincy, or in supporting other congregations who find themselves without a vicar.

If this role is something to feel called to, there is a discernment process which explores whether someone is felt to be suitable for the training which takes place both through discussions in the congregation and then with an application process, and finally an interview by a representative of the Diocese. To help someone to begin this process, the Diocese runs a stand alone module called, "Introduction to Theology". This module next runs locally in Spring 2025 and is taking applications now.

- **Martin was licensed as a Lay Minister at Leeds Minster on Sunday 22nd September 2024.**

# An Appreciation of Ray Dunn



**M**arjorie Dunn has expressed her appreciation of everyone's love, support and prayers following her husband's death. Many of you told her what a lovely man Ray was. His Christian faith was strong, and he faced his final chapter of life with peace, dignity, humour and love.

As anyone who knew Ray - even just a little, would know he was a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit who exuded joy, contentment and confidence - and he finished his race well.

Ray, born on 1st March 1934, died peacefully at home in the arms of Marjorie, his beloved wife of 69 years on 26th June 2024 at the age of 90. He was greatly loved by his 3 children - Carol, Graham and Helen, and also by his 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren, and all his extended family. In his own words Ray described himself as wonderfully blessed.



In October 1996 urgent roof repairs were needed at Otley Parish Church. This is Revd. Ian Rodley who was the vicar here at the time, preparing for a deluge if the target was not met!



## SPREAD A LITTLE JOY

Margaret Parkin loves marmalade! She has been using this *Tiptree* brand for a long time but has only just realised the importance of the words in the middle of the inside of the lid – “Spread a little joy”. She says it seems a good motto for daily living.



# My Devotional Thoughts

**Lesley Noble**

**“If you love me, you will obey what I command. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor to be with forever - the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.”**

**John 14:15-17 (NIV)**

**Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.”**

**Revelation 3:20 (NIV)**

# SEEK AND YOU SHALL FIND

When my dad died in 1991, I didn't know Jesus or God, but on the night that he died I knew there must be something other than just 'this life'. I questioned, 'Why was he born? He was a good man, a caring and loving dad, so why has he died and what was it all for and where has he gone now?' There were times in my life when I wished I had never been born, but as I looked at him in that hospital bed, I suddenly felt so glad that I had been born because I wanted to go where he had gone.

I was lost, and I started looking for God. This verse of scripture sustained me throughout my journey and past the first two years. Then I was confirmed and came to believe in Father, Son and Holy Spirit. But I wasn't complete. I yearned for this promise, and it was only when I stopped wanting other people's experiences, and learned to pray with a completely open heart, that I realized after praying many times for Jesus to come in by his Holy Spirit that the handle was on the inside. I opened my heart and invited Jesus in, and on that day in September 1995 I was filled to overflowing with an amazing joy that has never, ever left me. I believe this was indeed the Holy Spirit. I was complete.

*Holy God, how blessed are we to have such a loving heavenly Father looking over us and guiding us even through the times we didn't know you were there. Thank you for bringing us out of the darkness into the radiance of your light, love and awesome presence. Amen.*



**SAFEGUARDING.**  
**LET'S TALK ABOUT IT!**



*'Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves,  
for the rights of all who are vulnerable.'*

Proverbs 31:8

**Save the date!**

**SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY**  
**Sunday 17th November 2024**

**O**n this Safeguarding Sunday, we and churches across the denominations will be talking and thinking about Safeguarding - that is, how we support vulnerable people in our communities.

Sadly, many institutions - including faith communities - have failed in their responsibility to ensure that they provide safe places of worship and activity for children, young people and vulnerable adults and have failed to acknowledge and support people who are suffering or who have suffered from abuse in the past.

Churches including the Church of England have responded to recent safeguarding

enquiries and reports by implementing policies and procedures across the denomination and employing safeguarding staff across the dioceses. Recruitment of Vicars and volunteers has been tightened up and safeguarding training has become an integral part of all roles across the church community.

Within Otley Parish Church we have a fantastic team of people who volunteer across many roles in the church – Sunday Club, Youth group, Choir and Music groups, Baby and Little Rascals, Open House, Pastoral Support group, Baptism Co-ordinator, Prayer team, Craftynuts and Newall Ladies Fellowship. Also,

our Sunday morning welcomers, flower arrangers, church cleaners and the church bell ringers. We have a team that take the Bible to local schools as part of the Open the Book scheme and another who take Communion to local care homes, and, of course, we have a team of associate ministers and now 2 Lay Ministers as well as our Churchwarden and all members of the Parochial Church Council. And, of course, I mustn't miss out the Editor of In Touch! They are all amazing people (apologies if I've missed you out of the above list!) for whom we are deeply grateful to God for their service and commitment.

All relevant people have been police checked (DBS) and have taken part in different levels of safeguarding training which are re-checked and updated on a regular basis. The PCC has adopted a range of safeguarding policies which are available on the church website - thank you Kevin. Safeguarding is an agenda item at all monthly PCC meetings and there are posters in and around church pointing people to the safeguarding leads in church and in the diocese, and signposting to other support agencies. Please have a look at the notice boards in the church.

But we cannot rest on our laurels. It is sadly true that abuse has gone on in various bodies in plain sight despite policy and

procedure, and we have to be alert to this.

I am hoping that Safeguarding Sunday will be an opportunity for us to 'Talk About It' - to raise issues that perhaps within a church are difficult to talk about, and hopefully as an outcome to think about how we can do things better.

I have just finished reading a book by Harper and Wilson about a Vicar and a Bishop, called 'To Heal and Not to Hurt'. It's a rather disturbing read about the churches past responses to people who have been emotionally, physically, sexually and spiritually abused within the church. I conclude with a paragraph from this book which emphasises the need for us all to be involved in safeguarding:

'The whole church community has to take responsibility for its own safety. Churches can only be safe if everybody at every level within them exercises vigilance, with a positive duty of care towards one another. Only in this way can the barrel become a healthy microclimate, within which rotten apples cannot thrive'.

I hope you will all take this as an open invitation to join us on November 17th to start the discussion about making Otley Parish Church a safe and healthy 'barrel'.

**Jenny Liston**  
***Safeguarding Officer***

# Craftynuts

Most of you have probably seen mention of the Craftynuts Craft Group meetings in our weekly church notice sheets.



Have you ever wondered though, “what that’s all about?” Well, here’s the history! We began some 20 or so years ago following a Talents Weekend at Otley Parish Church, and if anyone is to blame for it, it’s Pam Oliver and Phil Moon! On the talent Saturday I ran a ‘make and take’ card session. Pam enjoyed it and asked why we couldn’t do this regularly? Phil (then our curate) decided we could!! The rest, as they say, is history!

As a group we are not expert at anything - just Jacks of all. All I ever guarantee is that if you come to a Craftynuts Craft Group meeting, you will get a drink (tea

or coffee - with biscuits if you’re lucky!) and a good natter and a laugh. We try lots of different crafts and anything anyone wants to try or learn we will do our best to include. In the past we have made cards, Christmas baubles, bracelets, boxes, trying crochet, knitting, patchwork, teddy bear and doll making. An offshoot is a Scrapbooking group where we make memory books using photos, paper, card and embellishments.

We regularly decorate the chancel window in church, and we have meals out, shopping trips and full craft days. If all this sounds interesting and is something you would like to try, please check the dates with me and give it a go. It’s the interest that counts, not the skills.

**Lynne Barber** [emma.otley@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:emma.otley@hotmail.co.uk)



*The Story of*

**MY LIFE**

*by Allen Bradford*

## **A Look Back at the Life of Allen**

**Allen very sadly died in August 2024**

**I was born in July 1937 into quite a strict Christian home here in Otley. My mother taught me to read the Bible and to pray every day. When I was about 6 years old, I could recite the whole of Psalm 1.**

My early school days were at Westgate Primary, and then from the age of 11 at Otley Secondary Modern School, later to become Prince Henry's Grammar School.

My parents were members of Bethel Gospel Mission which used to meet in a building on Mercury Row in the town centre. My mother played the organ there and my father was a Methodist local preacher. Sundays at Bethel consisted of Breaking of Bread at 10.30am, Sunday School at 2pm, a Praise Meeting at 3pm and, at 5.30pm, an Open Air Meeting on a street in Otley (often in Paradise Square – now Charles Street car park). There was then an Evening Service at 6pm followed by a Prayer Meeting. Over the years Bethel moved to various premises and just very recently moved into Westgate and at the same time changed its name to Beech Hill Church.

The pastor of the Mission in my days was Revd. Sydney Key who proclaimed that all the other churches in the town were definitely not Bible based.

As a rebel teenager I decided to go to the Methodist Church in Otley one Sunday and found that they too preached from the Bible, sang and prayed. I couldn't find any difference between here and the Mission Church, so I began to attend the Methodist Church on a regular basis.

I left school at the age of 15 and applied for a job as a motor mechanic at

the local bus company as I had always had an interest in buses. I started there in August 1952 where I learnt how to recondition bus engines.

When I was 17 years old, I went to a performance of Haydn's "Creation" at the Methodist Church. I sat there in the West Gallery and saw three other teenagers sitting opposite me. One of them I knew quite well but I didn't recognise the other two. One of the ones I didn't recognise was the prettiest girl I had ever seen!

After the concert ended, I went over to speak to Margaret, the girl I did know. She introduced me to her boyfriend David and to Kathleen, the very pretty one, who was his sister. I was then invited to Margaret's house with the others so we could all have a good chat. This was my great opportunity to get to know this gorgeous girl. As it turned out Kathleen had just become a Christian at a Billy Graham rally in Leeds two months earlier. She was so full of joy which was something that I knew was missing in my life.

Back in those days Radio Luxembourg was very much the in-thing. That evening we listened to the Hour of Revival programme until 11pm and then decided it was time to go home. I offered to walk Kathleen home, but she refused - I will explain why later. We did though spend a long time sitting on a wall while we said goodnight to each other. This was the start of a loving relationship that lasted for many years.

Kathleen's early years had been very sad. Her father and grandfather were joiners and undertakers whose workshop was in Wellcroft here in Otley. Her grandfather had also made the rowing boats for the River Wharfe in Otley. Very sadly, Kathleen's father took his own life, but nobody ever knew why this tragedy happened. Because of this, her grandfather closed the business. Kathleen's mother remarried a man called Fred which was a marriage of convenience rather than one of love. This was before the days of the NHS and Benefits, and she had three children to consider and look after. Fred took responsibility for them but never loved them. Kathleen's mother had two sons to Fred but later she became ill and was diagnosed with bowel cancer. She died when Kathleen was just 13.

Fred then expected Kathleen to become 'stepmother' to his two sons as well as an unpaid housekeeper. Fred's sister lived opposite and always kept a very close eye on Kathleen. This was the reason she didn't want me to be seen walking her home on the very first day I met her!

**•The second part of Allen's interesting life story will be told in next month's edition of IN TOUCH.**



## Otley Parish Church Services in October

Each 10.30am service is live streamed to YouTube:

[www.youtube.com/@otleyparishchurch](http://www.youtube.com/@otleyparishchurch)

<b>Sunday 6th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>All-age Harvest Thanksgiving Service</b>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>ACTIVATE</b> Lively, informal and reflective worship <i>(followed by pizza)</i>
<b>Sunday 13th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship with Holy Communion</b> Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers) OPC Youth Group (Yr7 and upwards)
<b>Sunday 20th</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> This monthly service of Holy Communion is based on Common Worship, with a short talk and no hymns
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Service of the Word</b> Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers)
<b>Sunday 27th</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Sunday Worship with Holy Communion</b> Sunday Club (KS1, KS2 and pre-schoolers) OPC Youth Group (school years 7-13)

## Our Midweek Services in October

<b>Every Tuesday</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> A short service with no hymns
<b>Mondays to Thursdays except in school holidays</b>	<b>4.30pm</b>	<b>Evening Prayer</b> There will be a variety of approaches to prayer; also, a reflection on a Bible passage, and time for silence and to pray for others

**ARE  
YOU  
NEW  
HERE?**



If you are fairly new to Otley Parish Church, you are indeed very welcome here!

If you'd like to get connected, involved, or find out more about us, please pick up a *Welcome to Otley Parish Church* card which you'll find on the table at the back of the church.

Please fill in the details and return it to us, or put it into the red wall safe on the back wall.

We will use your contact information to help you find a way to connect into the life of our church. We do take care to ensure that your data is kept secure.

## *Please Keep in Touch*

We would love you to keep in touch and tell us what you'd like to see in *your* monthly **IN TOUCH** Church magazine. If you've got something you would like to share with us in the October edition of **IN TOUCH**, please send it to our editor, [stephenhey01@gmail.com](mailto:stephenhey01@gmail.com)

**NO LATER THAN**

**Saturday 13th October**



# Otley Parish CHURCH

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