

Long Preston Methodist Chapel Life & Community Joy

Loving God and our Neighbours Autumn 2025



"Once people get through the door, they're pleasantly surprised by how warm, cosy, friendly, and inviting the atmosphere is in Chapel."

Highlights & Celebrations throughout the last year

- **A New Church Member** On 22nd June 2025 Kathleen Jennings was confirmed and welcomed in membership of the Methodist Church. Kathleen attended this church as a child and we celebrate her renewed commitment to this church.
- **VE Day 80th Anniversary** A fabulous service with Steve Gledhill playing the organ, followed by a super village party on **Thursday 8th May** to remember those who sacrificed so much and celebrate the end of WWII.
- **Songs of Praise** A moving locally-led service in August at which we talked about our favourite hymns and served bacon butties. We will be planning more. Watch this space.
- **Little Footsteps** From near closure last September to thriving weekly sessions with **15+ children and adults**. We're celebrating its **3rd Birthday on 22nd September!**
- **WarmSpace & Lunch Club** Since October, Mondays have become a hub of warmth and welcome. The crumbles and cakes are a hit! And we celebrated Christmas dinner at the Maypole with entertainment.
- **Festive Feast in April** On **7th April**, Annette treated us at Warm Space to a delicious Christmas Lunch in Chapel—complete with all the trimmings
- **Community Cafe** On the first Thursday of the month at 1pm to 3pm we open our doors and provide drinks, cakes, jigsaws and space for conversation. Everyone welcome. Who knows where our conversation will lead?
- **Craft Club Contributions** Helpers from Craft Club, which meets at the chapel, have been decorating Chapel for Remembrance events and assisting at gatherings. **Knitting for a Cause** Over **1,000 Innocent Smoothie hats** knitted, raising **£500 for Age UK North Craven (Settle)**. A beautiful act of service and creativity.



Craft Club VE Day decoration

The spirit of welcome continues to grow—thanks to every volunteer, visitor, and friend who makes it so.



Rev Susan McIvor with new member Kathleen Jennings