



The Methodist Church in Sheffield

... growing followers of Jesus

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Dear Friends

I hope you are all well.

As I continue to worry about my terminally ill father, I've had to continue to prepare worship and preach. This has been such a blessing to me (sometimes hard doing it, but wonderfully affirming of my calling each time). I don't think that there is anything that makes me feel so alive and fulfilled as when I lead worship and preach. But it has also made me so aware of my own need to talk (whether through informal conversation, supervision or spiritual direction).

If you are struggling in one way or the other, Please do not hesitate to speak to me or to any of our ministers. We are here to support you as we collectively try to make the love of Christ known to the world around us.

I want to remind you again that I use the Preaching Plan every week in my personal prayers. So please know that when you prepare for and lead worship, that I have prayed for you by name.
Every blessing.

Your brother in Christ
Romeo

For your information, please find enclosed;

- your Preaching Plan (if requested),
- your print out of appointments,
- your Preaching Card

Please take time to read this letter carefully and to transfer dates into your diary for the coming year.

I remind all preachers that if you are unable to take any appointments in a particular quarter it is your responsibility to find an accredited substitute and inform the superintendent minister. **Please use the office as a last resort to find a replacement.**

The Cut-off date for submitting Plan availability for the June to August 2025 Plan is 31st March

For your information please see below the Plan making timetable;

Mon 31 st March	Deadline for submitting Plan availability
Tues 1 st April – 3 rd April	DW to add pre-arranged appointments

Friday 4 th – Mon 14 th April	Ministers to put in their own dates and agreed pre-arranged services, local plan makers to put in church pattern and agreed pre-arranged
Tues 15 th April	Plan making team to fill in the gaps
Fri 18 th – Tues 29 th April	Proof reading by ministers
Wed 30 th April	Plan to be published and distributed

The upcoming dates for the LWPM gatherings will be Thursday 13th March, 7.30 pm, Millhouses MC & Thursday 5th June, 7.30 pm, Greenhill MC.

There are a number of appointments which were unable to be filled, please see below. If you are able to help please let the Circuit office know as soon as possible;

Appointments still to be filled

16 th March	10:30 am	Coal Aston
	10:30 am	St Mary's Unstone
6 th April	10:45 am	Victoria Stafford Road
	10:30 am	Parson Cross at Creswick Greave
	10:45 am	Mount View
	10:45 am	High Green
27 th April	10:30 am	Brightholmlee
4 th May	10:45 am	High Green
	11:00 am	Hatfield House Lane
18 th May	10:45 am	Christ Church Stocksbridge
25 th May	11.15 am	Trinity Renishaw

In addition

Emmanuel Waterthorpe 10:45 am on 9th March **OR** 18th May (With Communion if a Presbyter is available)

Circuit Admin Team