

# Christmas Tree Festival

# All Saints' Church

Saturday 2nd December 10am - 2pm

 $\pounds 2$  entrance to includes tea and coffee

Table top sale, Christmas Crafts, Gifts

Cake stall, Raffle, Tombola, Hand Made Cards

Guess the name of the Reindeer

## SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023

Remembrance Day observance at the War memorial at 11,

Service in All Saints' Church at 11.15



where a retiring collection

will be made on behalf of the

🖌 Royal British Legion



## **BARWICK METHODIST CHURCH**

Organ recital by Aaran Fleet

**£5** 



Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2023 at 2pm

Tickets £5 including refreshments available from

0113 450 7749 OR email nh45nh1@outlook.com

Fundraising concert for Barwick Methodist Church Building Fund

Sponsored by Barbara and Alan brining's family. They loved music and the chance for people to get together. If you have a favourite hymn please mention it at the door. This year it is expected that 40 million poppies will be sold as part of the Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal. But why do we use the poppy to commemorate those who have served in our armed forces?

Poppies would not normally thrive in the untilled soil of northern France. But the time of the Great War was not a normal time. The artillery barrages of both sides ploughed and churned up no-man's land and the explosions of ordinance helped spread the poppy seeds around the mud churned land. The nitrogen of the explosives created a uniquely fertile environment for these poppies to blossom and bloom. Even in the hell on earth that was the no-man's-land of the Great War, a simple, red flower defied the odds and thrived. Beauty came out of tragedy.

We continue to live in turbulent and uncertain times, and it is often difficult see how there could be real beauty, or even any real peace in our world against the backdrop of violence and conflict. But, in the same way as the poppy pushed its way through the mud of the battlefield, out of the agony of a death on the cross, Jesus was able to bring about the same hope that the poppy symbolises for us at this time of year.

It can be difficult for us to see hope in the no man's land of our current world but the assurance that we have in Jesus is not an assurance of protection or tranquilly, but just a total dependence upon the faithfulness of God.

Revd Jonathan Brennan, Rector of All Saints'



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Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November Methodist Chapel Schoolroom – 2 pm Come along and meet new friends



### Barwick Monday Ladies fellowship



Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November £3 including light refreshments **"Flower decorations for** 



## Christmas"

by local flower arranger and Harrogate Show Exhibitor Barbara Leeming

### Baptisms

Charlotte and Anthony will be bringing their daughter Molly and Bianca and Stephen will be bringing their daughter Penelope for baptism on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Please keep these families in your prayers as these 2 young girls start on their journeys of faith.