

WAKEFIELD CATHEDRAL



Community Outreach

OCTOBER 2018

School Age Children

Scissett CE Academy

This was the first time a class from Scissett CE Academy had visited Wakefield Cathedral. They asked for a bespoke workshop to support the work they had been doing in their RE lessons about creation. Many of the children had never been to the Cathedral so spent the first part of the workshop asking general questions about the building. We then moved onto the labyrinth where they listened to the creation story and then, in groups, ordered the events. They then looked at the importance of light and water in Christian worship. They also thought about themselves as part of creation and drew each other. Other activities included making creation stained glass windows using acetates and world prayers.



Ordering the days in the creation story.



Drawing each other.



Making creation inspired stained glass windows.



A world prayer.

Flanshaw J & I School

I went to Flanshaw School to deliver Collective Worship for KS2. Their theme for the term was New Beginnings so I told them the story of Zacchaeus.

Wakefield College

A group of students from Wakefield College came to visit the Cathedral for a bespoke workshop. They had an introduction to Wakefield Cathedral as a Christian place of worship and also found out about the roles different people have with-in the Cathedral. For most of the group it was the first time they had been in the Cathedral and for some it was the first time they had been in a Christian place of worship.



Christian Nurture for Young People

Children's group for Refugees

A request was made by Wakefield Cathedral Church Warden, Jenny Homer, for some activities to be collected together for the children who attend Canon Tony Macpherson's classes for Iranian Refugees with their parents. These classes take place twice weekly in the Cathedral.



Refugee children taking part in activities.

Messy Cathedral

The theme for the Harvest Messy Cathedral was about the Tree of Life; 'The leaves of the tree are for the healing of all the nations' *Revelation 22 v2*. For my



activity the children used washing up brushes and paint to print trees with autumn leaves.



Film Food Friends Fun



The *Film Food Friends Fun* met to watch the film *A Song for Jenny*. This was a thought-provoking film about a woman's response to her daughter's death in the 7/7 terrorist attack on London. In their discussion of the film the group thought about different responses to grief. Before the film they ate a meal together.



Adult Education

Mothers' Union

I was invited by the Mothers' Union to give a talk about my role as Community Outreach Officer at their monthly meeting. I told them about the different areas that I am responsible for and answered their questions.



The Trench Symphony - Silk Painting Workshop

In November the premiere of the Trench Symphony - for the Mothers and Sons will be taking place in Wakefield Cathedral. This is a new work by composer Charlie Wells. As part of the project we were able to offer an adult silk painting workshop in association with Charlie and Edgeland Arts. The workshop was led by Helen Thomas and Tony Wade who took us through the whole process from tracing out the silhouettes of the soldiers to using gutta and silk paints to produce the finished pictures. The participants also chose lyrics from contemporary songs to write in gutta on the silk paintings. These will be used as part of the backdrop for the Trench Symphony performance and will then be displayed in Wakefield Cathedral.



Activity Monitoring October 2018

PRE-SCHOOL
SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN
CHRISTIAN NURTURE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
ADULT EDUCATION
WORK WITH VOLUNTEERS

DATE	ACTIVITY	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS	VOLUNTEERS	AGE RANGE	GROUP DETAILS
2 Oct	Cathedral Crafts	4	1	45-60+	
4 Oct	Bespoke Workshop – Wakefield Cathedral	13		16-18/2 tutors	Wakefield College Progression Students
6 Oct	Messy Cathedral - Harvest	57	9	2-14/30 adults	
8 Oct	Mother's Union Talk	15		55+	
9 Oct	School Outreach Collective Worship – New Beginnings: Zacchaeus	107		7-11/1 adult	Flanshaw J & I School
9 Oct	Cathedral Crafts	5	1	30-70+	
10 Oct	Children's group for Refugees	5	2	2-8	
11 Oct	Bespoke Workshop – Creation Y3	33		7-8/4 adults	Scissett CE Academy
12 Oct	Film Food Friends Fun	4	1	12-15	
15 Oct	Children's group for Refugees	2	2	6-8	
16 Oct	Silk Painting Workshop	7		30-60+	With Edgelands Arts, part of the Trench Symphony Project
16 Oct	Cathedral Crafts	4	1	30-60+	
17 Oct	Children's group for Refugees	4	1	2-6	
22 Oct	Children's group for Refugees	3	2	2-6	
23 Oct	Cathedral Crafts	5	1	45-70+	