



Fulwood Methodist Church
Community Theatre Visit Group



Programme May 2018

Monday 21st May 2018 – Lake District, Ambleside and Windermere cruise. Price £40 per person – optional extra insurance at £4 per person. The price includes return coach travel, entrance to Beatrix Potter Centre, cruise on Windermere and also the steam train to Haverthwaite. There will be time available to spend in Bowness, with many opportunities to shop and dine. We need 30 people to make this trip viable, so bring your friends. Weather not guaranteed.

Saturday 9th June 2018 – Singing in the Rain – Lowry Theatre, Salford. Price - £35 per person plus optional £3 insurance (per person). This replaces the trip we were planning to a show at the Bolton Octagon (the theatre is being refurbished). We will leave at 11.00 am to give time for lunch and other activities at Salford Quays. Joyful music, vigorous dancing and a great production are promised.

Thursday 21st June 2018 – Day Visit to Ilkley - Opportunities to sit and relax, to shop, to dine, to walk on Ilkley Moor and to see top class tennis at the pre-Wimbledon tournament. Whatever you do will be your choice. Ilkley is now one of Yorkshire's leading tourist destinations. Think Betty's for a start! Cost £28 with optional £3 insurance. Admission to the tennis at the gate, probably £5.

Wednesday 11th July 2018 – Agatha Christie’s Love from a Stranger at the Lowry Theatre, Salford. Cost £42 with £4 optional insurance. You said you wanted to have more detective plays so here is one! Again, a matinee with probably a 11.00am start from Church.

Wednesday 22 August 2018 – Keswick North Lakes (Day Visit) to include optional visit to see ‘**Single Spies**’. Price will be £30 with optional theatre ticket purchase (an extra £15 to be confirmed depending on numbers. You can find out more about this play if you visit The Theatre by the Lake website. Optional Insurance £3.

Friday and Saturday 7th and 8th September 2018 - Residential visit to Stratford-upon-Avon. Chance to see a new production of **Romeo and Juliet**, spend time in the town, relax and dine and visit **National Memorial Arboretum at Stoke-on-Trent** on the return journey. Accommodation (bed and breakfast at The Crowne Plaza) and travel are currently estimated at £160 per person with a £52 supplement for a single room. Optional dinner in the hotel would be an extra £25. The theatre ticket will be extra (at the moment we have 20 top quality stalls tickets on hold at £43). Admission to the Arboretum is free but there would be a small charge if you chose to tour the whole site on the electric train (with commentary). We will leave at 9.00am on the Friday and anticipate returning to Preston around 7.30pm on the Saturday.

If you would like to book for this trip, the deposit of £40 per person is now due – if you have not paid the deposit, please send payment by 1st May 2018 latest. Please note deposits are non refundable. The final balance will be due by 11th July 2018. This also is non refundable. As this is a residential trip,

the church is not offering insurance for this trip. We strongly recommend that you take out separate travel insurance with a reputable company, as unfortunately we are unable to offer any refunds if a place is cancelled after the final balance has been paid.

Saturday 15 September (matinee) - The Lowry, Manchester.
The Comedy about a Bank Robbery. Remember The Play That Goes Wrong? Stopped smiling yet? This play is by the same company and is described as Ocean's Eleven meets The Marx Brothers. A smash and grab hit comedy - it would be criminal not to see it. Given many 5* reviews during its run in London. Cost will be £50 per person with optional £5 insurance. (To give us the confidence to take up the good seats we have on hold we invite deposits of £10 by 16 May.)

Monday to Friday 1st to 5th October 2018 – (4 nights / 5 days) at the Buxton Palace and Spa Hotel. To include bed, breakfast and evening meals and daily excursions (coach travel). The price per person based on Bed Breakfast and Evening meal will be £360 per person (sharing a twin or double room).

The hotel has offered us four single rooms at no extra charge. Thereafter single rooms will be charged at £45 per night. Some of these rooms will be normal rooms but with single occupancy and others will be single rooms only. We think it more in keeping with our group if we charge everyone in a single room the same price. Therefore we cannot say what that price will be at present but it will be well below £45. When we know how many single rooms we require, we will identify the total extra cost and divide that sum by the number of people occupying those rooms. We trust you feel this is more appropriate.

At present we are contemplating excursions to Bakewell and The Crich Tramway, Chesterfield and a local place of interest. The price for the excursions (i.e. coach travel) are included in the price, however there will be a separate price (TBC) for the Crich Tramway. If there is sufficient interest we could again visit Chatsworth (where there would be an admission charge). We will also allow time to explore Buxton itself. We also hope to be able to arrange tickets for those who wish to see a show at a local theatre on the Thursday evening. Some more active folk might like to enjoy a walk in the Peak District which we are currently planning (not compulsory!). Final programme and prices for any additional admission costs for excursions such as the Crich Tramway, Chatsworth House or theatre ticket will be available mid-May.

A non refundable deposit of £40 for this trip will be required by 17th July 2018. The final balance will be due by 13th August 2018. As this is a residential trip, the church is not offering insurance for this trip. We strongly recommend that you take out separate travel insurance with a reputable company, as unfortunately we are unable to offer any refunds if a place is cancelled after the final balance has been paid.

Wednesday 17th October 2018 – Full day visit to the **Keswick** to include, if you wish, a ticket to see **Jeeves and Wooster** at the Theatre by the Lake. Price will be £30 with optional theatre ticket purchase (approxiametly £15). Optional insurance £3 or £4

Wednesday 21st November 2018 – matinee performance of **Matilda** at **The Palace Theatre, Manchester**. Projected costs are as follows, the cost for ticket, travel and gratuities will be £80. We realise this is a significant cost and it will be our most

expensive show this year. However, this musical based on the Roald Dahl story, based on the production of the Royal Shakespeare Company has been considered as the best new musical of the Last 20 years. Insurance will be £6.

Additional information

Terracotta Army, Liverpool World Museum Over 80 people came recently on our visit to see this wonderful exhibition. The exhibition continues well into the autumn and we are prepared to arrange another visit probably in mid-October. However, we need to know that there would be sufficient interest. So if you are interested do please let Sharon know.

Summer 2020 – Oberammergau Passion Play. Details to be confirmed. Expressions of Interest being taken for this trip.

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