



Special services

26th April – 10.30am - Rev. Neville Simpson

31st May – 10.30am – Rev. Ruth Duck

21st June – 10.30am – Rev. Keith Albans

5th July – 10.30am – Rev. Roger Dunlop

2nd August – 10.30am – Rev. Ian Hill

20th September – 10.30am – Rev. Isabel Stuart

15th November – 10.30am – Deacon Kim Gabbatiss

There will be bring and share lunches after each of these services to enjoy fellowship with the visiting Ministers and each other

The first Chapel in Heworth 1826

The first chapel, proudly bearing the inscription “Wesleyan Methodist Chapel 1826” carved on a stone at the front, was a simple brick building with stone sills and gabling under a slate roof. The chapel measured eight yards square and was set six or seven yards back from the road. The visitor would approach the chapel from the road through an iron gate set in a low wall surmounted by iron railings, across a flagged area, up stone steps to a double door flanked by two windows. Inside he would find a room neatly plastered with a ceiling fourteen feet high and lit by two further windows in the back wall. An old fashioned pulpit and a single pew to the right on the Heworth-side wall faced a rising bank of pews divided by two aisles to the left (on the York side wall) which could accommodate just over a hundred people.

This followed Methodism being brought to Heworth by John Nelson, the Birstal stonemason converted by George Whitfield, who was one of the first laymen to spread the Evangelical revival in Yorkshire, in the early 1740s.

By the time of the opening ceremony, membership of the new Society stood at twenty, it's highest to date, and shortly afterwards a second class was started under the leadership of Mr. Boggett.

