

Dear Churches

You are invited to the BIG Day Out 2022! This year the event will take place at **Lightwater Valley, Ripon, HG4 3HT** on **Saturday 17 September**. The park is open from 10.30am - 5pm.

Alongside this letter you should also have:

1. A digital poster for advertising in your church and groups.
2. A covering letter from the Mission Fund Panel and an application form.

Tickets for the event are £15pp and under 3's are free. We have been enjoying the BIG Day Out as a synod for a number of years now and we thank you for your efforts and support in gathering people and coming along. The synod hosts this event as an opportunity to bring together church families from across the synod for a day of laughter, fun and worship.

Please do not be put off by the location. Lightwater Valley has a wide range of rides and activities to suit all ages. This includes soft play areas, outdoor adventure parks, treetop trampolines, a carousel, crazy golf, swan boats and a relaxing train ride that travels through the entire park. There is also a forest area with woodland walks and nature trails.

If you find yourself needing a moment, or looking for someone to talk to, or fancying a warm drink then head to the Show Barn. A small team of people will be in the Show Barn throughout the whole day. There will be a time for worship together at some point during the day. This will be inclusive to all.

The synod will also be running a short program out of 2 marquees in the park for you to get involved in if you wish. JPIT will be talking to us about climate change and we will be celebrating 50 years of the United Reformed Church. And keep your eyes open for wandering nativity characters....

Food and drink are available at the park but there are also plenty of picnic areas so feel free to bring your own lunch.

Ticket sales are open now and close on Friday 09th September. Please contact the synod office to book your tickets (office@urcyorkshire.org.uk / 0113 289 8490) **Include your church/group, group leader (and contact email), the number of paid tickets and how many free under 3 tickets**. Payment by BACS is preferred:

Sort code: 60-60-05, account number: 86473573

Account name: United Reformed Church (Yorkshire Province) Trust Ltd

Reference – BDO and your church reference, name or surname.



Alternatively, you can send a cheque made payable to United Reformed Church (Yorkshire Province) Trust, to United Reformed Church Yorkshire Synod, Somerset House, St Paul's St, Morley, Leeds, LS27 9EP.

For any further questions contact Megan Tillbrook (megancyp@urcyorkshire.org.uk / 07522 220213).

We look forward to seeing you there.

With every Blessing,

The BIG Day Out Planning Team