



Yorkshire Church on Show *A GREAT Christian Presence At the GREAT Yorkshire*

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A Word from the Chair of YCoS

NEWS

Early Bird? Why not join the Show chaplain for prayers around the bandstand each morning at 7.30am.

Can you help as a steward? Get in touch with the chief steward AND receive a free entry pass.

Look at our website... please note the two conferences in our region: one re. diversity & equality, the other worship in small congregations

www.yorkshirechurchonshow.org.uk

Theme for 2008 – “The Good Shepherd”

turn over for details

Dates for 2008

Tues 8th - Thurs 10th July

“I am delighted that YCoS continues to be ecumenically diverse, reflected not only in our membership but also in those providing financial support, including some new donors.

I am particularly grateful for the grant from Harrogate Church House Trust (see over for more details). Yet again the Design Team have raised the bar (baa?) and I look forward to an exciting and engaging display, which will provide a memorable and enjoyable experience for our visitors.”



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Introducing the Yorkshire Church on Show 2008 theme

Building on the positive response and high level of visitor participation in previous years, once again, the design team plan to offer a refreshing and inspiring labyrinth experience. The aim is to enable visitors to explore, reflect upon, and encounter tenets of the Gospel in everyday life.

The Good Shepherd: "I know my sheep and my sheep know me". John 10

Travelling through four areas of the Church Pavilion, visitors will be introduced to, or reminded of, the Parable of the Good Shepherd.

Focus will be particularly given to the Good Shepherd:

- knowing his flock by name
- feeding them
- leading to places of refreshment
- protecting them
- leading through places of danger
- rescuing them
- and bringing them safely home



1. The Green Places

- **where the sheep are fed.**

A power-point display introducing and re-telling the story of The Good Shepherd.

2. The Place of Refreshment

- **where sheep rest.**

Inspiring images of creation reflected in a prayer pool, giving visitors opportunity to rest, reflect and float their own prayers.

3. The Place of Danger

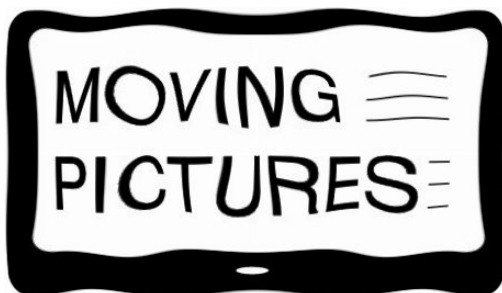
- **being shown the way.**

Confrontation with difficulties and dangers: around the world, in farming, and in each of our lives, with footsteps to help lead the way through danger.

4. A Place of Safety

- **coming home.**

Acknowledging that we are each called by name. Giving opportunity to visitors to add their own name to the sheepfold.



Thanks to a generous grant from Harrogate Church House Trust a large 40 inch LCD screen has been bought for use at the Church on Show display each year.

Nic Sheppard, convenor of the Design Team says, "We have produced and been given permission to use some great visual displays, but have always been hampered by what will catch attention in daylight conditions. The new screen should be a great asset and we are excited to have opportunity to use some inspirational imagery".

For the other 51 weeks of the year, the screen has found a useful home in St. Peter's Primary School in Harrogate.

