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WEEKLY NEWS

Trinity Methodist Church Woking

### Message from the Leadership Team

In our circuit leadership meetings we have been thinking about mission. Our mission supper is coming up on March 8th (tickets available soon) and Trey Hall, the Director for Evangelism and Growth in the Connexional Team, is coming to talk to us. He is keen that we have done some thinking about our church's mission before he speaks.

Trey sent a useful resource 'Our Churches Future story: Guidance and resources for growth and planning.' In this it describes church growth as spiritual, missional and numerical.

Spiritual growth is described as becoming more deeply rooted in the love of God in Jesus Christ. It is a love that includes all people and that calls us to share good news through evangelism and doing justice.

Missional Growth is described as about being a justice-seeking church: doing justice, showing loving kindness and walking humbly with God. It is also about knowing our communities well and building warm and meaningful relationships. It is about sharing good news through evangelism.

Numerical growth means more people becoming part of Christian community, more people knowing Jesus.

Reading the resource made me reflect on where I had a possibility for mission but am not taking it up. What do I need, to have a more meaningful conversation about God in my work and social life and what would help me? Is it a form of words to get started in a conversation? Is it confidence in being able to answer difficult questions? Is it about not missing the opportunity or having a better plan for what to say?

If you were to talk more about your faith and share the love of God in everyday life with people you meet what would help you?

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## **Morning Worship**

Sunday 12 January 2025 Morning Worship, 10.30am led by Rev Claire Hargreaves

Sunday 19 January 2025 Morning Worship, 10.30am led by Dave Ingoldby

Foundry Worship, 6pm

## Live Stream Link <u>CLICK HERE</u>

take a moment to Hush the Moise

Start the new year with self compassion and self care: think of the things you don't want to change about yourself, the qualities and strengths that make you unique. There are a number of suggestions of things we could do to further our church mission including, for example, asking groups that use our church and we engage with if there is anything they would like us to pray for and offering our prayers. We already remember the organisations who use our church in prayers on a Sunday morning and this could be extended by engaging with the different groups and asking them about their specific needs for prayer. This is just one idea but I'm sure you have many others that you could do to develop mission in the church.

Ruth Taylor, Church Steward and Circuit Steward. January 2025

#### Church Opening Hours

The Church Office opening hours are now **Monday -Thursday, 9am -1pm.** 





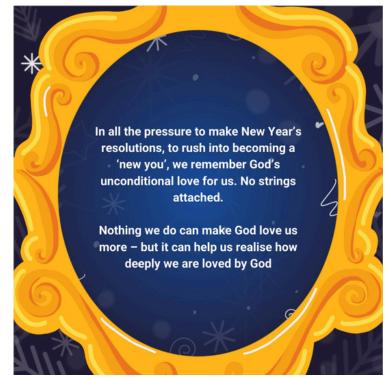
### A Christmas Cracker!

Who is this handsome chap?! Did you guess right? It's David Lorberg! Send me a picture of yourself if you'd like to take part in this occasional series :)

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#### **Prayer Corner**

The next opportunity for prayer together at Trinity will be **Friday 10 January 2025** 10am in the Prayer Room. All are welcome!



## Letters from the Global South

This touring exhibition will be visiting Trinity on the weekend of the Repair Cafe, on Saturday 18 January. It will remain up until the middle of the following week, so please do have a look on Sunday - 19th.

https://www.lettersfromtheglobalsouth.org/

You can find out more about the Repair Cafe <u>HERE</u>

#### **Circuit News**

The Circuit Prayer Diary for January is <u>HERE</u> The Circuit Letter for the week is <u>HERE</u>