

WEEKLY NEWS

Trinity Methodist Church Woking

Message from the Leadership Team

It's very rewarding when you put effort into something and it is really appreciated. The recent Neighbourhood Party involved quite a lot of effort by quite a lot of people – a wonderful coming together of our wider church community.

And it was really appreciated. As well as many positive comments as people left, many have also gone into writing to thank everyone involved, and so I must pass those thanks on. We're also getting requests for new names to be added to the list for the next party.

For those not at the party, we started with a short tribute to Dorothy Kirkman who died the previous week. Recently she had been our pianist. Graham Kirby Smith had some limericks Dorothy had written about some of the challenges and more amusing aspects of aging, and Elaine Slatter read a few of these out.

We then had our entertainment – led by Graham, Shona and Mike. They had stood in at very short notice. They were so good that several of the guests asked me whether they were professionals. A short grace, and tea followed – prepared by Pauline Robson and her team and distributed by the Guides and the table hosts. There was a quiz on the table, and after tea Marian went through the answers. No table got all the answers correct – which suggests the level of complexity was right. We then had a sing along, ably led by our musicians, before our guests departed home. It was a busy afternoon, but full of joy and fun.

Whilst many of our guests come from various churches, many don't and I hope they take away from the party a sense of the Christian love and care which goes into the planning and delivery and which makes these parties a little bit special.

A huge thank you to everyone involved - well done!

Hugh Bowerman

Communion Service - Change of Date to 27 October.

As you know at the moment the circuit is two ministers down, and it is very difficult for our Superintendent Paul Glass to fill gaps in the preaching plan especially when communion is required.

This means that this coming **Sunday 27th October** will be a communion service and will be led by Rev Paul Tabraham.

There will not be communion on 3rd November.
Thankyou for your understanding of this.

Jean Normington - for the stewards

Upcoming Services

Sunday 27 October
Communion Service

10.30am

led by Rev Paul
Tabraham

Foundry Worship, 6pm

Sunday 3 November
Morning Worship

10.30am

All Soul's Service
led by Rev Claire
Hargreaves
4.30pm

Sunday 10 November
Remembrance Service

led by
Rev Malcolm Herbert
10.30am

Foundry Worship, 6pm

Live Stream Link

[CLICK HERE](#)

Circuit News

The Circuit Letter for the week is available [HERE](#)

The Circuit Prayer Diary for October is available [HERE](#)

Foundry Worship - 27 October

This **Sunday (27th)** at 5.45pm for refreshments and worship at 6pm. Our theme will be "Hearing, but not seeing". In the lectionary over the past month the OT has followed Job, and the NT has had various attempts by Jesus to tell his disciples what would happen to him. There is a lot hearing, but not a lot of "seeing" what was actually meant. To what extent do we hear, but not see? What types of things blind us? Are we missing out on the richness of God's grace as a result?

I hope you will be able to join us as we worship God together
Hugh Bowerman
Foundry Pastor



ROC Conversation

Thursday 24 October 2024

Please pray for everyone involved in the Woking ROC Conversation being held this evening (I'm writing this on Thurs), at Trinity. So many people from Trinity are involved in the practical delivery tonight, but huge thanks must go to Ruth Taylor who chairs ROC Woking, and Hugh Bowerman is also on the Committee, as well as to the other committee members, many of whom have a long standing relationship with Trinity. Dan WS

Prayer Corner

The prayer group at Trinity meet together to lift up the needs of our Church and around the world to God - amazing things can happen when God hears our prayers! As a Church and as Methodists one of our core values is connecting with God through prayer so, everyone is welcome to join us for an hour of fellowship and prayer on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month. The next opportunities will be **Friday 1 November** and **Friday 15 November**, 10am in the Prayer Room. All are welcome!

Messy Fun Church Handout

Written by Helen Bowerman



Have you ever been anywhere where it has been pitch black and you cannot see anything at all? I once visited some underground caves. The caves were lit and we could see where we were going easily. But just for a few seconds they turned out the lights and it was pitch black. You couldn't see anything! Without the light we couldn't do anything. We need light to help us see where we are going or to help us find something. Without light no plants would grow and we would have no food. Light is essential for life.

Jesus said **"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."** John 8:12.



Just like a torch or a candle or a light bulb that gives us light, Jesus says that he will light up the way for us. If a path isn't lit, it is easy to trip over something and fall. Sometimes life is a bit like an unlit path - we can trip up, make mistakes and get things wrong. Having Jesus as a

friend is a bit like having a light that makes the path easier to see. If we follow Him and trust Him as our friend, He will help us to see where we are going and show us the best way to live.

Jesus also asks **us** to be like a light for others - to our friends and family and everyone we meet, by being kind and loving and telling them about Jesus too.

What could you do to be like 'a light' in the world?

How many things can you think of that give us light?



Prayer - Thank you Jesus for showing us the best way to live. Amen





The next collection at Trinity will be on **Sunday 3rd November**.

The following items would be gratefully received. Tinned ham, tinned vegan and vegetarian meals, long life sponge puddings, long life fruit juice, peanut butter and small size laundry detergent. Many thanks for your continued support. Carole Hymers

ALL SOULS' SERVICE

TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD
4.30PM



Do you have somebody you want to remember?

We will come together to remember those we love who have gone before us.

If you would like the name of your loved one to be read out in the service, please email trinitywoking@btinternet.com.



The Methodist Church



Coffee and Chat - Wed 30 October

Next Wednesday, Coffee and Chat will be led by Steve Shurville. The theme will be 'Reminiscent Music'. Refreshments from 10.30am. All are welcome :)



Last week I promised you details of the Panto at Trinity on **Saturday 7 December 2024**, at 2pm.

This is a touring Christian panto, delivered by lolbear, who perform it at schools, and to all sorts of groups across the country.

It is described as being for the young, and the young at heart!

You can book your tickets for the panto via Eventbrite, click [HERE](#)



The Tearfund Big Quiz is returning to Trinity this year. It will be held on **Saturday 16 November** from 6pm - 8pm. Look out for sign up details in the church, and more publicity, soon!