

WEEKLY NEWS

Trinity Methodist Church Woking

Message from the Leadership Team (LT)

Last week I attended my little granddaughter's school. Each child invited a grandparent or 'special person' to share their act of collective worship, play outside with them at break time and enjoy some 1:1 time in the classroom, sharing activities they had chosen for us to do together. The children delighted in telling and showing us all the little details of their daily school lives – their paintings on the wall, the place where the hedgehog lives in 'Forest School', their own place where they sit on the mat to listen to the teacher. Their smiles told us they felt special, and so did we! We left with equally large smiles on our faces. Why? Because children and adults alike all felt valued in being part of each other's lives and sharing the 'everyday.'

One of the Bible Studies at Spring Harvest spoke of the 'vertical' connection between us and God – but of equal importance, the horizontal connection of us to everyone around us. The power of community and those we 'live with' - of valuing and being valued, the privilege of sharing, encouraging, supporting and growing together in the 'everyday'.

What 'horizontal' connections do we make here at Trinity as we reach out to each other, our Chinese friends, our tenants and those who use our buildings? And what of the world beyond our four (or is it 8!) walls? Sometimes it is in sharing the little everyday details of our lives – our joys, sadnesses, concerns and experiences that open the doors to sharing our faith and help us be a community of people who know they are valued and held in the love of God.

Helen Bowerman



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Forthcoming Services

Sunday 26 April 2026

Morning Worship

led by

Rev Barrie Tabraham

at 10.30 am

6 pm Foundry Worship

Sunday 3 May 2026

Morning Worship and

Holy Communion led by

Rev Sam Funnell

at 10.30 am



[Circuit Prayer Diary](#)

for April

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Foundry Worship Sunday 26th April 6 pm - led by Kevin Page

Many of us may not have heard of the Woking Prayer Network. This is a group of people led by Andrew Humphries who have been faithfully praying for Woking for many years. This week Kevin Page, a member of the prayer network, will be leading Foundry Worship to help us celebrate this work, identify our town's needs & pray for them, and to ask God's blessing on the future work of Andrew & Louise. **Kevin writes:**

"As I'm sure you're aware, Andrew has been faithfully praying for Woking for as long as I can remember, so it would be good to spend some time praying with him and listening for what God might be saying at this time. Also for Louise who is a candidate for ordained ministry in the Church of England.

I have offered to lead **Foundry Worship at Trinity Methodist Church on Sunday 26th April at 6:00pm (tea & coffee from 5:45pm)** and would be delighted if you could come along so we can collectively bless them both.

Foundry is an informal (band led) service and attracts a number of different church folk from around the area

We would love this to be an event well supported by Trinity people, a time to praise God together for all that he has done for us and to uphold our town in prayer.

Hugh Bowerman
Foundry Pastor



Neighbourhood Party

Last Saturday Trinity hosted our latest Neighbourhood Party. Over 50 guests were entertained by Mike Cope and the Monday Group Ensemble, enjoyed a high tea full of homemade food, had a fun quiz and finished with a singalong. On behalf of all our very appreciative guests we'd like to thank everyone who helped make this happen from the entertainers, the hosts, the drivers, our flower arranger, the Guides and all the people behind the scenes baking cakes, preparing sandwiches, making jellies, serving and washing up and setting up and taking down the tables and chairs. A great team effort and a lot of fun!

Pauline Robson

Street Angels urgently needed

Woking Street Angels are urgently seeking volunteers to train and to join their team. We are a friendly bunch, the task is not onerous and requires a commitment of only one night every 4 weeks. Days and dates can be flexible. If you are aged over 18, please can you give this serious consideration. At the moment we sometimes have to cancel shifts because we don't have enough available Angels. That means someone who needs help may not get it that night. Please call 07827 914714, email wokingstreetangels@gmail.com or go to www.wokingstreetangels.org.uk for information or to apply.



Our April coffee donation charity is 'Engage'



'Engage' takes the Christian message into over 30 local Primary Schools, several Secondary Schools locally and Woking College.

In addition to delivering Primary School assemblies, their work includes the running of lunchtime and after-school clubs, storytelling, small group work focusing on well-being and mental health, delivering RE lessons, organising Christian Unions which support school staff in a pastoral capacity, and mentoring students. These services are provided at no cost to the schools, students, and staff, and are positively and widely welcomed.

'Engage' manages and coordinates all the activities delivered by a team of talented volunteers and church Youth Workers. They also support The Bible Society's 'Open the Book' Bible stories programme.

All money donated for refreshments and coffee in April will be given to Engage.



More information at: www.engagewoking.org

LADIES INTERFAITH COFFEE



TUESDAY 5TH MAY 2026

10.30 am - 12.30 pm

The Lighthouse,
High St, Church Path, Woking, GU21 6BG

Join us for a relaxed Ladies Interfaith Coffee at The Lighthouse, Woking.

A chance to meet women of different faiths, make new connections, and hear from the Manager of The Lighthouse about their inspiring work and projects.

Limited places available.

RSVP by 28th April to:
Kawther.Hashmi@smef.org.uk

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Each month we have a dedicated **Coffee charity** to which all the refreshment donations are given. Over the course of the year this amounts to hundreds of pounds given to worthwhile causes. Some are local charities, others National charities.

Do you have a charity that is particularly meaningful for you, or one that you feel would be good for Trinity to support in this way? If so, please let Helen Bowerman know and we may be able to include this over the coming months.

TRINITY NEWS & VIEWS

Trinity News & Views

This is a last call for items for inclusion in the forthcoming edition of TNV. Please submit copy to tnv@trinitywoking.org no later than next Sunday, 26th April. Thank you.

David Lander



What makes a Super Hero?

Someone strong, and brave, who fights for what is right and defends the weak. Someone who hides their identity but uses their supernatural power to help the world become a

better place. Super people – not like you and me!

But wait a minute! In the Bible, where we learn

about God's love and plan for the world, there are lots of super-heroes. They didn't wear special clothes or hide their faces **BUT** they achieved amazing things because they trusted in God and obeyed Him and they were just ordinary people like you and me!



David was a Bible Super Hero – but he was just a young boy who looked after sheep! An enemy army with a giant of a soldier called Goliath was about to attack the Israelites. Everyone was terrified of him. But David trusted God and was able to kill Goliath and save his people. He was an ordinary Superhero



1 Samuel 17: 50 So David defeated the Philistine with only a sling and a stone! He hit him and killed him. He did not even have a sword in his hand.



Superheroes come in all shapes and sizes and ages!

Ordinary people - Empowered by God!



Ildi on the run again

On 7th June, I'm doing another 5K race. This time, I'm raising funds for the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Everybody should have the right to feel safe and secure! If you would like to and are able to, please support my efforts to raise money for their work via the link below! Thank you!

https://www.justgiving.com/page/ildiko-johnson-1?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=EM&utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_fundraiser_page_donation_received_-_first_donation



Christian Aid Plant Sale
 16th May 10.30am – 12pm
 Our annual plant sale event is rapidly approaching and help is needed to make the event a big success. Are you able to help either to grow plants, help with refreshments, put up gazebos and tables, and sell the plants. If you can help, then please speak to **Daphne Lander** – all offers of help will be gratefully received!

Christian Aid Week – Plant Sale

We are unsure at this stage whether it will be feasible to hold the Plant Sale scheduled for Saturday 16th May this year. A decision will be taken in the next few days. We are in urgent need of more ‘able-bodied’ helpers.

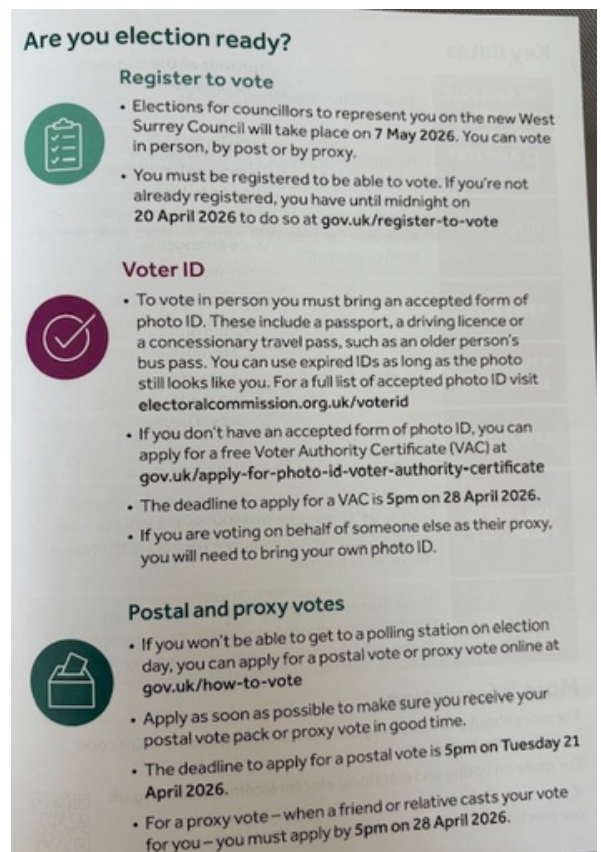
If it does not go ahead we shall be looking to support Christian Aid in another way.

Woking foodbank. The next collection at Trinity will be on Sunday 3rd May.

Items most needed are

- tinned sweetcorn,
- coffee,
- tomato ketchup,
- mayonnaise,
- small cartons of laundry detergent (non bio),
- toilet gel,
- anti-bacterial cleaning spray

Many thanks for your continued support. **Carole Hymers**



Prayer is foundational to faith

It's how we communicate with God, and it is the life-giving fuel that powers our actions.

It's the sunshine that brings a smile to our face and brings light to hidden places.

It is the rain that helps new creation grow from the hidden depths.

from the Methodist Church website

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