

WEEKLY NEWS

Trinity Methodist Church Woking

Message from the Leadership Team

Faith is a gift from God ... Amazing grace

A couple of weeks ago, I was invited by Guide Dogs for the Blind to see their London office. We were fortunate enough to meet some of the pups who have already left their Puppy Raisers and gone into training – this is what my fellow puppy raisers and I refer to as “Big School”. We spent a very interesting afternoon both in the office and out on the roads. It allowed us to understand how the puppy training we do in our own homes leads on with what the pups learn at big school when they leave us at 14 months of age. We were blindfolded and led around by the trainers to allow us to experience the feeling of being visually impaired. Guide Dog owners literally put their love and trust in their dog’s paws multiple times a day. It is an amazing job that the dogs are trained to do. The pups who meet the grade, love working and go on to hold a very responsible job. In my recent personal study, I saw a parallel that in the same way a blind person puts their trust in their dog, we can put our trust in Jesus. Simple but clear. Hebrews chapter 11 verse 1 “Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see”. God gives us this gift of faith. A guide dog owner may not be able to see, but they are confident that their dog will lead them safely. How much more can we have confidence in placing all our trust in our Creator who knows us and loves us? Only God can sustain us through all the highs and the lows of life. We have faith enough for everyday – we can surrender our life on a daily basis into the hands of Jesus – He’s got you and cares about every step you take. Amen?? Amen!!

Shirley Turner



Upcoming Services

Sunday 28 April
General Church Meeting
Service
led by Rev Sam Funnell
Brunch served from 10am

Foundry Worship 6pm

Sunday 5 May
Communion Service
Led by Rev Sam Funnell

Live Stream Link

[CLICK HERE](#)

Circuit News

The Circuit Prayer Diary for April is [HERE](#)
The Circuit Letter for the Week is [HERE](#)

Foundry Worship

This Sunday at 6pm (refreshments from 5.45pm). Our theme this week is CID – not the Criminal Investigation Department but Creation, Invention, Discovery. We live in a world where many people deny the existence of God. Many more will accept that there may be something out there. It's difficult to talk about God's love to people who deny or have no personal concept of God. How can we bridge that gap between the sceptics and apathetic and our own enthusiasm for God? In a world that is ever changing because of the richness of human creation, invention and discovery, what might this tell us about God. Genesis 1 says we are made in the image of God, so perhaps our CID abilities exist because of this.

Whether a Foundry Regular or this would be your first time, you will be very welcome.
Hugh Bowerman, Foundry Pastor



Due to the bank holiday Monday the next collection at Trinity will be on **Sunday 12th May**. The following items would be gratefully received. Coffee, Honey, tinned Tuna, longlife milk (whole and semi skimmed) , cooking oil, children's toothbrushes and children's toothpaste. Many thanks for your continued support.
Carole Hymers

Prayer Corner

The Trinity 'Whatsapp' Prayer Group usually meet at church on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month. They welcome new members, or you are welcome to pop in on an ad hoc basis. **ALL** are welcome.

If you would like to join the whatsapp group, please contact Jean.

If you would like the team to prayer for you, please let Jean, Shirley, Carole H, Graham W, Enid B or Helen B know, or contact Dan in the office.

Please feel encouraged to use the prayer tree in the corridor. All prayers are kept confidential. All are welcome to join in the payer life of the Church!



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Pray with us today.

Eternal God, we seek clarity and reassurance in a bewilderingly complex world. Grant us the patient trust that will enable us to sense your hand in the emergent, the ambiguous, the random and the fragile. Give us courage to embrace your vulnerability seen in Jesus Christ.

May your Spirit help us to understand it is amid the darkness that your light can be seen most clearly; attune the eyes of faith so that we can detect and follow the glimpses of your kingdom's radiance. In the still, dark night of our days may we behold galaxies of divine light and love and be captivated by the vision of your glory. Amen.

A special Benevolence Fund Collection

On Sunday 5 May, we will be making a special benevolence fund collection for Woking People of Faith. We have decided to do this in response to a request from WPOF for support from the local churches as they have lost their Woking Borough Council funding.
The Stewards.

Neighbourhood Party - Thank You

A huge thank you to everyone who took part. Feedback from our guests suggest it was very well received. I estimate that the Party resulted in footfall through Trinity of over 220 people. A wonderful, intergenerational, community event! Thank you again.
Hugh Bowerman



Methodist Modern Art Collection

A group of us from Foundry are planning to go to Eastbourne to see the art exhibition on **Saturday 25th May**. If there are enough of us we'll hire a mini-bus. The Exhibition is at the church that Rev Paul Tabraham is minister at. It is a new building (that probably excites me more than the art . . .). Subject to weather, we will aim to see the Exhibition late morning and then lunch on the seafront. Perhaps a chance for the energetic to go up Beachy Head? More details will emerge as we get a better handle on numbers and weather. If you are interested, could you let Enid Burman (tel.) or Hugh Bowerman (07900 483728). We'll form a WhatsApp group so we can keep everyone up to date. FYI, the exhibition is free, but I expect a share of the Transport costs will be circa £15 per person. Hugh Bowerman

Remembering Lisa

If you are planning to send in a memory (A5 or photo) of Lisa Barrott for a memory book, please could you send it to the office, or leave it in the Pastoral pigeon hole by 28 April. Thanks, Allison Jackson

In the building this week...

Tenants and Building Users for Intercessions

Week: 29 April (Monday) to 5 May (Sunday)

Tenants

- Achieve Together
- Badminton
- Band Clinic
- Beavers, Scouts, Cubs
- Brownies
- Bro-Ga
- BSF
- Catalyst Support
- Chair Yoga
- Coffee and Chat
- Cremona Dance
- Dot Sign Language
- Epworth Choir
- HALOW
- Martial Arts/Judo
- Mayford Lace
- Pilates
- Rayner Karate
- Richmond Fellowship
- Shifa Network
- The Jam
- Trinity Toddlers
- Woking Ladies Choir
- Woking Music
- Woodham Ladies Badminton
- WBC Local Elections
- Yoga with Julie

Building Users

- Messy Fun Church
- Morning Worship
- Circuit Staff Meeting
- Chinese Congregation Seekers
- Chinese Congregation (Bible Study)
- Chinese Talk and Walk in Christ
- Chinese Worship



The garden at Trinity 23.4.24

Trinity Plant Sale in aid of Christian Aid

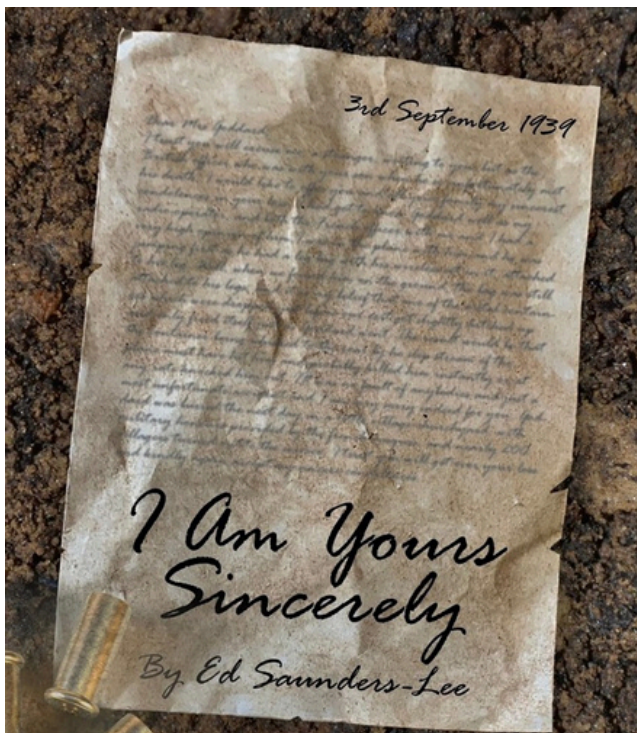


Please sign up via the noticeboard in the Sanctuary to grow plants, and help on the day,
Thank you!

Lego and Discovery Club

The next session of Lego and Discovery Club will be on **Saturday 18 May**, 10am and 11:30 am. Thank you to Geraldine and Eilish for their commitment in running this group.

Digital notice board!



ONE MAN SHOW – 'I AM YOURS SINCERELY'
ED IS THE GRANDSON, AND SON OF TRINITY
MEMBERS (Doreen, & Derek).
RECENT GRADUATE FROM GUILDFORD
SCHOOL OF ACTING,
THE SHOW IS GOING TO THE EDINBURGH
FRINGE,
PRE FRINGE SHOWS...

The Studio at The New Wimbledon
Theatre – Tuesday 25th June

The Etcetera Theatre, Camden – Friday
28th June and Saturday 29th June

The Edinburgh fringe – 2nd to 10th August
(if anyone will be up in Edinburgh at the
time!)