

WEEKLY NEWS

Trinity Methodist Church Woking

Leadership Notes

Last Friday, the Circuit Mission Group held a Zoom prayer hour, focusing on the needs of the poor, peace, reconciliation, and healing in divided communities. We prayed for the wellbeing of creation, the earth's restoration, and support for those enduring hardship. I would like to share with you the prayer we offered for Creation and the Future.

Creator God,

We give thanks for the beauty of the world you have made for land and sea, sky and soil, for creatures great and small,

for rhythms of season and life.

Yet we come with heavy hearts,

aware of how fragile your creation has become, and how often we have lived as though the earth were ours to use,

rather than a gift to cherish.

We pray for places where the land is exhausted, where waters are polluted, where forests fall and species disappear.

We pray for communities already feeling the cost of climate change through drought and flood, hunger and displacement.

God of wisdom, teach us to live differently.

Where we have taken too much, teach us restraint.

Where we have wasted, teach us gratitude.

Where we have damaged, teach us how to restore.

We pray for those working to protect and heal the earth scientists, farmers, campaigners, and policymakers.

for indigenous communities whose wisdom has long been ignored.

for young people who carry both anxiety and hope for the future.

Give them courage when the task feels overwhelming, and remind them that faithful change often begins small.

Renew in us a sense of wonder,

that we might fall in love again with the world you have entrusted to us.

Shape our choices, our habits, and our priorities, so that care for creation becomes part of our daily discipleship.

As we hold the future before you,

help us to trust that you are not finished with this world that your Spirit is still at work,

bringing life where there is brokenness, and hope where there is fear.

We place the earth, and all who depend upon it, into your gracious hands. Amen.

Jean Normington Senior Steward & Circuit Steward

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Forthcoming Services

Sunday 18 January 2026

10.30 am

Morning Worship led by
Reverend Sam Funnell

6 pm Foundry Worship

Sunday 25 January 2026

10.30 am Morning Worship

led by

Reverend Claire Hargreaves



Live Stream Link

[Click HERE](#)

Circuit Prayers

The Circuit prayer diary for the first part of the month of January is [HERE](#)

Circuit Letter

The Circuit letter dated 14 January 2026 is [HERE](#)

Foundry Worship

This week our theme is 'I am'. Based on the 7 'I am' sayings in John's gospel, we will be looking at a few of them in a bit more detail to consider what they say and mean to us today. Leading us in looking at this theme will be Kevin Page, I think I would be correct in saying one of our original Foundry members.

Foundry Worship will follow our familiar cafe style, with refreshments served at the start and an opportunity to praise God through song, reflect together on what God is saying to us today and sharing our joys and concerns with God through prayer.

We hope you will be able to join us, 5.45pm for refreshments, 6pm for Worship, all on Sunday 18th January at Trinity.

Hugh Bowerman
Foundry Pastor

Bread - of life (Jn 6:35, 48) - which came down from heaven (Jn 6:41, 51)	Light of the world (Jn 8:12; 9:5)	Door (Jn 10:9) of the sheep (Jn 10:7)	Good Shepherd (Jn 10:11, 14)
Before (Jn 8:58) Abraham was	I AM		
Resurrection and Life (Jn 11:25)	the Way, the Truth, and the Life (Jn 14:6)		Vine (Jn 15:1, 5)

TRINITY PRAYER CHANNELS



We want to encourage people to feel able to ask for prayer when needed and to know how best to do so.

If you would like a prayer included in the [Sunday service](#), please contact your Pastoral Visitor and they will pass it on to a Steward for inclusion.

If you have an [emergency](#) prayer need, please go through Allison, as Pastoral Secretary and she will pass this on to the Leadership Team for immediate prayer response.

N.B. – If you are asking for prayer for someone else, please ask their permission first; it is part of our pastoral care for people that we only share what people are comfortable with others knowing.

Thank you!

Rev Sam & Allison



Our January coffee donation charity is York Road Project



The York Road Project's goal is to defeat homelessness in Woking. It has a 10-bed shelter made available for those in urgent need. Plus, it manages three 'move-on' properties, with a total of

14 beds, for those transitioning to longer-term accommodation.

Their people-first, problem-solving approach has helped 816 people transition to stable housing in the past five years. They offer their clients personalised support and guidance to get their lives back on track. Through their move-on properties and Tenancy Sustainment Team, they transform temporary refuge into a journey towards lasting independence.

The project also provides a base for people during the day and backing to rebuild their lives. Having this stability and regular contact with York Road Project means they can help their clients also address any medical, addiction, mental health and housing needs.

All money donated for refreshments and coffee in January will be given to York Road Project



More information at www.yorkroadproject.org.uk



Christian Unity Week is 18 to 25 January

Lord Jesus Christ,
You bring us together in all our diversity,
as family and church.
In the face of so many situations on earth,
where hope has given way to despair
and hearts are wounded and emptied by disappointment,
renew our strength and unify us.
Help us to share Your hope wherever we find ourselves.
You are the true Light,
who casts out the darkness of sin,
despair and brokenness,
who shines into our hearts, releasing the joy
and the true hope of Your eternal love for all.

Amen



Have you ever owned a pet? A dog, cat, rabbit, rat, tortoise? Or perhaps something more exotic like a snake or a parrot? Why do we have pets? Pets provide company – they are living things. They give us much joy

and teach us the value of responsibility and caring for another living thing. They respond to the love and care we show them and can provide real company. Our pets are often a very much valued member of the family and play a very important role in our lives.



Animals are part of God's creation, and he gave them to us to care for.

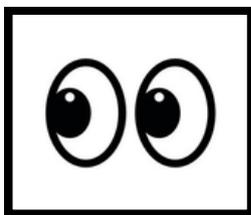
God made every type of wild animal, every type of domestic animal, and every type of creature that crawls on the ground. God saw that they were good. Genesis 1 25 – 28

A pet will often give us unconditional love – no matter who we are with our good and bad points, or what our circumstances are. They don't judge us - they will love us just the same. And that's a bit like the love that God has for us. God loves us unconditionally and wants the very best for each one of us - just as we are.

Prayer – Thank you God for our pets.
us to love and care for them.
Thank you for loving each one of us too.
Amen

"PETS ARE NOT JUST ANIMALS. THEY ARE GIFTS TO US THAT BRING LOVE AND JOY TO OUR LIVES"





Jug and Mug Amnesty

Over the last few weeks a lot of our jugs and mugs have gone on holiday. They didn't notify us in advance, and we're not sure when they're due back. If you know anything about where they may have gone, perhaps you could ask them if they would return?



Joking aside, we are down to all but one of our milk jugs and I estimate perhaps 30-40 mugs are missing. I think some plates may be missing as well. Before we buy replacements, if anyone knows the whereabouts of them or recalls putting them temporarily in the wrong place, can you please return them or let us know.

Many thanks.



Woking Foodbank

The next collection will be on Sunday 1st February.

- Items urgently needed are long life sponge puddings,
- instant mashed potato,
- small cartons of laundry detergent (bio & non bio),
- surface cleaner sprays
- and toilet cleaner.

Also useful are

- tinned tomatoes,
- tinned mixed vegetables,
- coffee
- and jam.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Carole Hymers

**The Crocus Café
at Woking URC**

For those affected by dementia and
their caregivers

2nd and 4th Monday of every Month
11:00 to 12:30
Woking URC, GU22 7HA

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Thank you.