

WEEKLY NEWS

Trinity Methodist Church Woking

I don't know about you, but I frequently find the news depressing at the moment. How often do we hear that a 14-year-old has been arrested and charged with the murder of another schoolchild. Or there have been horrendous crimes like rape, but the accused cannot be named because of their age.

Then there are horror stories about what young people are reading on their phones or laptops etc. Driving some to suicide, some to commit serious crime or simply become depressed.

The stock answer seems to be that we will legislate, make some terrible things unlawful and we believe that will stop it all. Who's kidding who? I can get despondent about what can be done to stop such terrible things, knowing in my mind that I am helpless to intervene.

Then this morning, the Verse for the Day on my Phone arrived – Matthew 19:26 But Jesus looked at them and said to them, 'With men this impossible, but with God all things are possible' (Old RSV version! for 'with men' please read 'with people'!) and the answer has to be that the least we can do is pray that God can and will intervene at some stage.

Also today, I received the Engage Newsletter which tells very positive stories about the development and growth in numbers they have achieved in Christian Union Groups, Friendship Workshops or Assemblies in various schools in Woking. And then I think, perhaps there are some positive things happening which don't make the news headlines, but which in due course, might just make a difference. I am sure God is inspiring the Engage Team and I offer my prayers that their successes may continue and grow.

John Nelson

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Forthcoming Services

Sunday 12 July 2026

Morning Worship
led by
Malcolm Herbert
at 10.30 am

Sunday 19 July 2026

All age Worship
led by
Rev Sam Funnell
at 10.30 am

Foundry Worship at
6.00pm

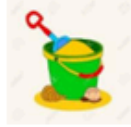


[Circuit Prayer Diary for July click here](#)
or visit the website for the most up to date one
www.veyvalleycircuit.org.uk/publications

[Circuit Letter for this week click here](#)
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Having a break from what we usually do is good for us. We have school holidays when we can have a rest and have time to do something different.



We might be able to try something new, visit friends or go away. Sometimes we just need to have some time away from our usual routines and find a little space and peace.

Resting and having time to recharge our batteries is important. God knows what is best for us because He loves us. He knows that we all need a break from work and our usual routines.

Psalm 23 'He/God makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul'

David, the ancient King of Israel, wrote Psalm 23 in the Bible.

It talks about how God is like a Shepherd who looks after his flock of sheep. The shepherd knows what his sheep need to be safe and to flourish. And God knows what we need so that we can flourish too.



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What do you like best about holidays?

Prayer – Thank you God that you know what we need. Amen



SPACE FOR YOUR NEWS

**SEND YOUR ARTICLES TO
NEWSLETTER@TRINITYWOKING.ORG**

Can you help?



Would you be able to help in Junior Church on a Sunday morning?

It would be really helpful to have a few more volunteers. No experience needed or requirements to plan, organise or lead – just a willingness to be present if needed and to join in. Unless we have two people present to maintain our safeguarding commitments, we are not able to hold Junior Church, so having a helper each week is vital. Please speak to Helen Bowerman if this is something you could help with – even on an occasional basis.

Our July coffee donation charity is DEBRA



DEBRA is the UK's national charity for people affected by [epidermolysis bullosa \(EB\)](#). These rare, inherited genetic conditions cause the skin and mucosal tissues to become extremely fragile, developing painful blisters and tears from the slightest friction, minor bumps, or even just touching something. With skin as fragile as a butterfly's wings, EB is often referred to as 'butterfly skin'.

Blistering can also occur on the eyes and on internal organs including the throat and oesophagus.



DEBRA supports 4,000+ members across the UK, including over 2,000 people living with EB. They support those with inherited EB, their families and carers, as well as healthcare professionals and researchers.

Alongside their support work, they fund and drive vital medical research to improve lives.

All money donated for refreshments and coffee in July will be given to DEBRA



More information can be found at www.debra.org.uk



Methodist Prayer Handbook 2026/27

I will be placing an order for the 2026/27 Prayer Handbook in July. If you would like a copy could you please let me know. (LT and Prayer Group I already have your names). They will be approx. £4.99

Jean Normington

Prayer Room Project - Update

Despite the hot weather, good progress is being made on the prayer room. Please look in and see what is happening. The whole space will have a very different ambience and practicality when it is finished.

We are moving to the time when we will need to decorate and finish the room. This is down to us. I will be asking around for volunteers to help with this task. We would also like to move any items that loiter in the premises (those things that have laid untouched for years, decades??) from their places of hibernation into the skip - we may as well return it fully filled. Again, more volunteers needed.

Any questions, please do not hesitate to find me or Dave Glynn for more info.

Hugh Bowerman, Property Steward

Revd Paul Hulme

The death was announced recently of Revd Paul Hulme, who was a minister in this Circuit based at Godalming until his retirement from full-time ministry in 2019.



For those wishing to attend, his funeral will take place on Monday 20th July at 11:00am
Wesley's Chapel
49 City Road, London EC1Y 1AU



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Community Worker (part-time)

- Are you experienced in community outreach?
- Do you have a passion to share the good news of Jesus?
- Do new initiatives for community engagement excite you?

We're a parish of three churches in south Woking with growing community work amongst all ages and a heart to grow new disciples. We are looking for a part-time Community Worker to join our ministry team.

Part-time post – 15-18 hours per week over 2-4 days to suit applicant

Salary – £27-29k pro rata depending on experience and qualifications

For a job description and application form go to

www.stpeterwoking.org/communityworker

or contact the Parish Office 01483 755852, admin@stpeterwoking.org or

Closing date for applications: 10am Thursday 16 July

Interviews: Thursday 23 July



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The family of Judith Bramall has let us know that she passed away on Saturday 27th June. She was a previous member of Trinity and leaves husband John and family Katie and Ed.

Judith was very much involved in the drama life at Trinity and was a big character who will be sorely missed by family and friends.

The funeral date will be published when known and, meanwhile, prayers are invited for all those who knew her and especially for her immediate family.

Refugee Tales 2026

We are getting ready for our walk in July by not practising much as it is too hot to go outside the gate!

We will be walking **Bognor to Chichester**, so will be in **Chichester on the evening of Fri 10 July and would love to see you there! (for 7pm)**.

If anyone wants to come to the evening event (talks/music), here is the list, and you can book on

Eventbrite or just turn up and pay £5 donation.

Arundel 8 July - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1986002390612?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Bognor 9 July - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1986072280655?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Chichester 10 July - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/evening-with-refugee-tales-chichester-tickets-1986003481876?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

Emsworth 11 July - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1986068693927?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Portsmouth 12 July - <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1986003931220?aff=oddttdtcreator>

Allison, Sue, Ruth, James

A prayer for God to guide us

Loving God,
Fill us with your grace, so we can:
know the way and walk in it,
hear your word and respond to it,
see injustice and address it,
be attentive to pain and alleviate it,
seek transformation and bring it,
through your empowering Spirit.
Amen.

Andrew Charlesworth, Chair, Wales Synod Cymru

Do you have social, emotional or practical concerns and need support?

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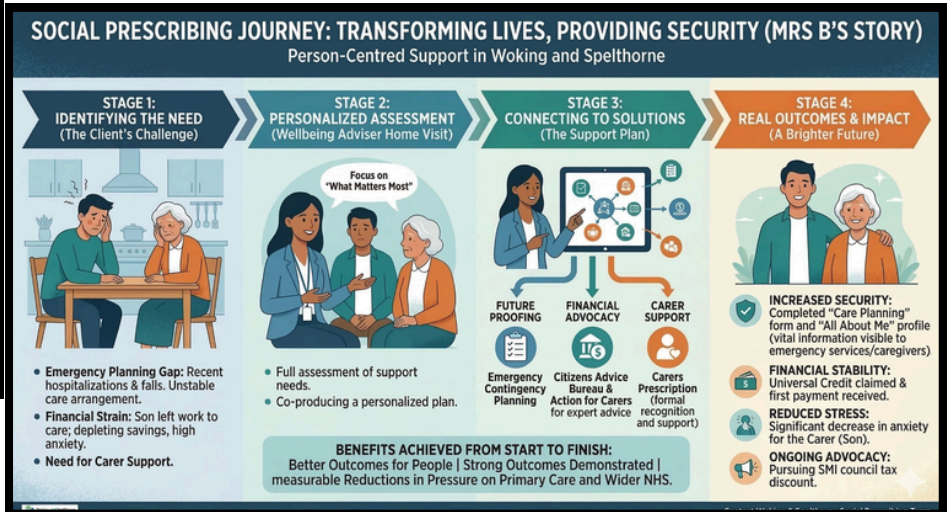
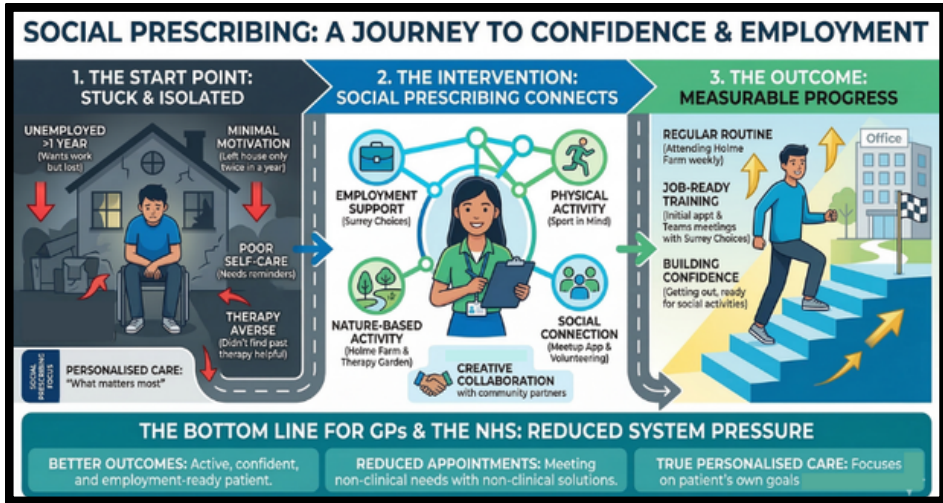
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BI-WEEKLY DROP-IN SESSIONS

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Drop-in dates from May 2026

Welcome Church – Mondays 11.15am – 1.15pm
 18th May
 1st, 15th and 29th June
 13th and 27th July

GWP - Salvation Army – Tuesdays 12.30pm – 2.30pm
 5th & 19th May
 2nd, 16th & 30th June
 14th & 28th July

Byfleet Methodist Church – Wednesdays 12pm – 2.30pm
 6th and 20th May
 3rd and 17th June
 1st, 15th and 29th July

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A prayer that God upholds us

God of compassion, comfort our loneliness.
 God of tenderness, confirm our faith.
 God of the Cross, strengthen our endurance.
 Amen.

Prayer of a Ugandan Christian

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