

WEEKLY NEWS

Trinity Methodist Church Woking

Message from the Leadership Team (LT)

Dear Friends,

As you read this message, the Methodist Conference will be gathered in Telford for its annual gathering for discerning, conferring, praying and deciding together. If you're interested in all that goes in at our central governing body – you might like to take a look at the Conference pages on the website: [Conference 2026 - The Methodist Church](#)

These include information on the Conference agenda, special services and other events, including The Conference Sunday service and the afternoon Ordinations that will follow – with livestream links for all of these.

This gathering and the special services remind us that we are part of 'something bigger', for Methodism has always been about being 'connected', hence the term we use for ourselves as a 'Connexion' – using Mr Wesley's manner of spelling.

Trinity, is part of the Wey Valley Circuit, which in turn is part of the South East District and then the British Connexion, and then the world-wide family of people called Methodist, as well as being one part of the whole family of Christ, the world over.

At the heart of that sense of being connected and belonging is the fact that we all, ultimately, belong to God and have a shared love of Christ and reliance on the Holy Spirit....So, if you ever feel alone, or that all that you have to do (at church or in life more generally) is too much for you to bear on your own, please remember that you are NOT ALONE – there are others to help and above all (in Mr Wesley's last recorded words – 'Best of all...') – GOD IS WITH US!

There's one other special reason to be interested in Conference this year as Rev Anna Carrington is being Received into Full Connexion at The Conference Sunday service (28th June) and then will be ordained that same afternoon at Shrewsbury Abbey at 4pm. I, and some others, will be there to support her in person but you might wish to share via the livestream in this significant and joyful moment for Anna and her family.

Every blessing,

Sam

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Forthcoming Services

Sunday 28 June 2026

Morning Worship

led by

The Leadership Team

at 10.30 am

Sunday 5 July 2026

Morning Worship with

Holy Communion

led by

Rev Sam Funnell

at 10.30 am

Foundry Worship at

6.00pm



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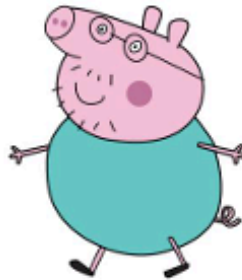
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Over the past few years, I have spent quite a bit of time watching Peppa Pig with my grandchildren. Daddy Pig, (we never get to find out what his name is), is my favourite



character. I've learned a lot about him. He is cheerful, laughs a lot, and he works as a structural engineer. He's fun - loves to play football, cook, do magic tricks, and play the drums. However, he occasionally boasts about being an expert at everything, but he often gets things wrong! He makes mistakes with his map reading and gets lost, his DIY skills sometimes let him down and he's frightened of heights. He's a great dad, but he's not perfect. I'm tempted to say this is because he is human – but actually he's a pig!

But **we** are all human and even when we grow up and become adults, we can sometimes get things wrong. Even our Mums, Dads, Aunts. Uncles and those who love and look after us!

It tells us in the Bible that God is like a perfect Heavenly Father who will never leave, make mistakes, or let us down, and we are all his children.

2 Corinthians 6:18 "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord



When we talk to God, we sometimes start our prayer with the words 'Our father in heaven....' Even though we can't see Him, He is always there to love, protect, and guide us, and He promises to never leave us. That's pretty special!

And if God is like a Father to us, then we are all His children - part of God's forever family.



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.



The next foodbank collection will be on **Sunday 5th July**.

The items required are

- tinned carrots,
- sweetcorn and
- mixed vegetables,
- tinned meat meals,
- tinned ham,
- Long life fruit juice,
- Fruit squash,
- Long life sponge puddings and
- tinned custard.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Carole Hymers



The next **Prayer Group** meeting at Trinity will be on Friday 3rd July. We meet at 10.00 am. We would like to invite anyone interested to join us on this journey of prayer and thanksgiving. We pray for people, projects and situations in our church, local community and across the world.

We meet twice a month in person and at other times via WhatsApp. If you would like to share any prayer requests please pass them to Rev.Sam, Graham W, Jean, Carole or to one of the stewards.

*God of the earth, the sea and the sky,
May we know your steadfast love,
And that in all times and all places
You are there.
Amen.*

Our June coffee donation charity is FoodWise

FoodWise TLC is a Christian based charity delivering food provision, training and education to local communities. They currently work in partnership with churches and community groups in and around Woking and Guildford in Surrey.



FoodWise seeks to relieve the impact of financial hardship through the provision of food coaching. Providing free cookery

skills training courses, they teach people how to prepare and cook delicious and nutritional food on a restricted budget.

This helps to build confidence in food preparation, strengthen cooking skills, make food budgets stretch further, expand nutritional food choices and improve health and well-being

All the equipment and food required for each cookery skills session is provided free of charge. Course participants get to take the meal they have prepared home with them.



All money donated for refreshments and coffee in June will be given to FoodWise

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.



Methodist relief and development

Becoming an All We Can Champion

In recent weeks we have published a call for people to become All We Can Champions, helping to keep the organisation's mission for global justice visible in their local church.

Thanks to Allison Jackson for volunteering for this role.



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

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.



His funeral will take place on Monday 20th July at 11:00am Wesley's Chapel 49 City Road, London EC1Y 1AU

Epworth Choir presents

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Skye Boat Song
Danny Boy
Ashoken Farewell
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Sio Gan
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Saturday 27th June 2026 – 7.30pm
Trinity Methodist Church, Woking GU21 4LH

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London since 1876. Today, it is recognized as one of London's most effective homeless charities. The cost-of-living crisis sadly means that the need continues to grow.

The charity provides showers, breakfast, lunches, training, advice and dignity to all who walk through its doors every day of the year. Clients are mainly men, although there are also services for homeless women.

The aim of the charity is to transform lives from homelessness to hope by helping clients reconnect to family, commit to sobriety, find a job and place to live and to be able to plan for the future.

Entirely dependent on public support, the Whitechapel Mission always needs donations of clothing which is in good condition and suitable for street dwellers, toiletries and non-perishable breakfast foods.

This appeal is being coordinated by Godalming United Church, between **26th June and 6th July 2026**.

For further information on the charity:
www.whitechapel.org.uk
Any queries, contact Ryan Kelley 01483 423261
or Janet Shaw jrshaw15@yahoo.co.uk
Tel: 01483 527670

GODALMING UNITED CHURCH
(Methodist and United Reformed)
Bridge Street, Godalming GU7 3DT

Urgently needed: **Men's Clothing, Toiletries and Non-perishable Breakfast foods** for

THE WHITECHAPEL MISSION

A collection of these items will be held during the period

26th June – 6th July 2026

Please ask your friends, neighbours and colleagues to help as well!

Donation times and specific items needed are detailed inside this leaflet.

Here are a few images from the very successful **Woking People of Faith Walk** on 6th June. Some 50 pilgrims from different faiths and churches including Trinity progressed from St Dunstons RC church via The Christian Science church, the URC, and the Shah Jahan Mosque, ending at St Pauls, Maybury. At each place of worship a spokesperson was on hand to explain a little about the history and traditions of the venue.



I Have Plans

© Glen Penfold

These are the lyrics of the song that Glen wrote for David Emmerson's wedding on 6th June. It is based on Jeremiah 29 v11 which David adopted as the theme for the wedding.

The song can be heard on Spotify:

<https://open.spotify.com/album/5WkcJ6Mq0vQPbLp1vWv5lb>

I have plans, many plans, for your welfare not for harm
And those plans, many plans for a future filled with hope,
When you're up or you're down I will be your gyroscope
When the world spins you around my friends

Faithful ones, waited long, trusted in Me in all that time
Now you'll see, faith in Me, gives you all your heart desires
And together you'll grow, many seeds you now will sow
In your hearts where love abounds, my friends

*Now is the time for celebration, now is the time to reap the harvest
All you have planned is in fruition, faithful ones, let the feast begin
Together find the broken hearted, together show the hurt, My love
And gaining strength from one another, lead them to their home above*

Hold your course, run the race, show a troubled world His grace
He will give, faith to live, in the trusting of His love
Holding you keep you bold, bring the lost in to His fold
Telling all, of His love for them His friends

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