



**GODALMING UNITED CHURCH**  
(Methodist & United Reformed)

## SERVICES FOR SUNDAY MAY 28<sup>th</sup> 2017 and notices for the coming week

Following the tragic attack this week in Manchester, the six Presidents of Churches Together in England (of which our constituent denominations are members) issued the following statement:

"Our thoughts and prayers are with all those bereaved and injured by the cruel, senseless terrorist attack in Manchester. May God grant them strength and courage.

Our faith teaches us that even the worst of evils can never defeat love, so we pray that the people of Manchester, of all faiths and none, will discover a renewed unity as they respond to this atrocity with compassion, dignity and hope."

Manchester itself is the home of a movement called We Stand Together, in which people of many different faiths and backgrounds recognise that we find strength in our community. The following prayer was issued:

God of compassion and mercy,  
amidst the pain and trauma of this day we turn to you,  
for through Christ crucified we know that you have taken to heart  
the suffering of our people.  
In fear and anxiety, strengthen us.  
In despair and pain, comfort us.  
In incomprehension and anger, reassure us that your love and life are  
stronger than the hatred and violence which overshadows our city today.  
Console those who carry a burden of loss, injury or trauma and empower  
all who support them.  
Strengthen all who seek to stand together in peace and unity.  
We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

*Alan Steele*

Rev Paul Hulme is preaching at West Horsley this morning.

### ***PRAYER FOR THE WEEK***

Respecting one another, God our Father, you call each of us by name, and you treasure each of us individually as though no-one else exists. Inspire us to respect and value each person who comes into our lives this week. Amen

**9.00-10.15am eMerge (Fairtrade Sunday breakfast)**

Today's stewards are

Vestry Steward Keith Rowling  
Duty Steward Nicola Garriock

(stewards are the people to ask, if you need help before, during or after a service)

Our CLOSED LOOP SYSTEM requires hearing aids to be switched to 'T'.  
Recordings of our services are available through the church website, or a CD copy can be provided on request – please ask a Steward.

The Church operates a system of covenanted, planned giving (details of which may be obtained from Nicola Garriock).

There is a children's area available at the rear of the Church which parents and their young children may use during the service.

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## **10.30am MORNING WORSHIP**

Led by Ms Jane O'Leary  
Organist: Keith Nye  
Hosts: Jennifer and Denis Leigh  
Sound System: Malcolm Keene  
Projection steward: Julie Rowling

Call to Worship from Ephesians:

Though you have not seen him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy!

**HYMN (StF) 313 Thine be the glory**

Prayers of thanksgiving, adoration and praise

**HYMN (StF) 423 Forgive our sins as we forgive**

Prayers of confession and forgiveness

Reading

1 Peter 1. v.1-9 (p. 1216) & 1 Peter 5. v.6-11 (p.1220)  
read by Denis Leigh

**HYMN (StF) 347 Crown him with crowns**

Reading

Ephesians 1 v.1 &2 followed by v.15-23 (p.1173)  
read by Nicola Garriock

Sermon

Prayers of reflection

**HYMN (StF) 518**                      **Father, hear the prayer we offer**

Prayers of intercession and the Lord's Prayer

Collection and dedication of the Offertory (*congregation please stand*)

**HYMN (StF) 526**                      **Lord of all hopefulness**

Blessing and Grace

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Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee or tea or a drink  
of squash in the River Room after the service.

The flowers have been given by Sheila and Alan Knight in celebration  
of their 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary. Arranged by Wendy Weston.

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There will be Traidcraft and Mission stalls in the hall  
following this morning's service.

The June issue of SPAN is available this morning.

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**Church Anniversary and Flower Festival**

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June      Church open 10.30am – 5.00pm

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June      Church open 12 noon – 4.00pm

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June - Morning Worship – led by Rev John Walker

Followed by bar-be-cue lunch and entertainment

Adults £6.00, Children (under 14) £4.00.

Please book no later than 4<sup>th</sup> June.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 3pm Godalming Civic Service at the Wilfrid Noyce Centre.  
All are welcome

**In Praise of Preaching Circuit Service – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 6.30pm** at  
Godalming United Church. 'The Lord gave the word' A gathering to support  
the 12 local Preachers who will be receiving long service awards ranging from  
27 years to 60 years.

The next **Lunch Fellowship** will be on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June**,  
12.15 for 12.30 at the Jack Phillips, Godalming.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK UP TO SUNDAY 4<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2017  
Schools Half Term Week

*June*

Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> 10am – 12noon Conquest Open Morning ((River Room)  
Come and meet the artists and enjoy a cake and cuppa.

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.30am–2.00pm Church open for private prayer  
12-1.30pm Lunches  
7.30pm Choir Practice

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> **Celebratory Walk** – leaving the centre of Godalming between  
8 - 8.30am, be in the centre of Guildford at about 10am, near Send at noon,  
West Byfleet by 3pm and finishing at the Thames Lock north of Weybridge by  
6pm. **Wey Valley Methodist Circuit – One Year Old**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

**9.00am Holy Communion – led by Rev Paul Hulme**  
**9.00-10.15am eMerge – Fairtrade Sunday breakfast**  
**10.30am Morning Worship – led by Rev Briony Arnold**

ADVANCE NOTICES

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> June 8.00pm Meeting for Messy Church helpers (Chancel Room).  
Ring 414778 for more information.

**Whitechapel Mission Collection of Men's Clothing and Non-perishable  
breakfast foods. 2nd July to 17th July 2017 at GUC.** Please check the leaflet in  
Span or the website to see the most urgently needed items. [www.whitechapel.org.uk](http://www.whitechapel.org.uk)  
Please bring items at the specified times in the leaflet.

**Cake Stall for Ophthalmic Project in Gambia - Wednesday 5th July  
3.30pm to 6.30pm at GUC.** If you can provide some small cakes for this,  
please let Janet Shaw know. Thank you.

**Appreciating Church** – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2.30pm – 5pm at  
Addlestone Methodist Church, 71 Station Road Addlestone, KT 15 2AR and  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2.30 – 5pm at **Cranleigh Methodist Church**, 188 High Street,  
Cranleigh, GU6 8RT. An afternoon of conversation and inspiration to help us  
explore the church's vision and mission in an appreciative way

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