

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



**SERVICES FOR SUNDAY JULY 16<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
and notices for the coming week

The Second book of Corinthians from which we read today was written at a vulnerable time in Paul's life. He had learned that the Church at Corinth was struggling and so he sought to take action to preserve the unity of the local body of believers. The letter is riddled with personal comments as Paul reveals details of the persecution he had suffered for the sake of Christ. The letter is important as it offers a great deal of personal insight into Paul's life that is not present in any other New Testament book.

However, although the Church in Corinth had been struggling with divisions and quarrels, the good news was that a majority of the problems had been solved by the time Paul wrote his letter. The message for then, remains meaningful and clear for today. Living in unity requires us to humbly forgive one another, forgive those who wrong us and seek to reconcile relationships in which disunity reigns.

*Alan Steele*

***PRAYER FOR THE WEEK***

Now is the time our Father we pray for those active in government, and in the defence of the realm. We ask for guidance and protection. Evil will not prevail. Amen

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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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Today's stewards are

Vestry Steward Keith Rowling

Duty Steward John Davies

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

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## **10.30am MORNING WORSHIP with HOLY COMMUNION**

Led by Rev Paul Hulme

Music: Candela

Hosts: Sylvia Hunt and Christine Wells

Sound System: John Drake

Projection steward: Julie Rowling

Call to Worship

**Hymn (StF) 334 Praise to the Holiest in the height**

Responsive Psalm 822 (StF) (*Psalm 100*)

Prayer

**Hymn (StF) 136 Morning has broken**

Lessons

2 Corinthians 11 v.23-26 (p.1165) read by John Davies

John 14 v.27-31 (p.1083) read by Francis Groves

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn (StF) 594 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us**

Sermon

Music for Reflection

Prayers and Lord's Prayer

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

The Peace

Holy Communion

**Hymn (StF) 568 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**

The Blessing

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The flowers today have been given by Margaret Hunt  
and arranged by Wendy Weston.  
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**Kitchen & River Room refurbishment**

Many thanks to all the volunteers who worked so hard last weekend on

- 1) sorting and packing up all the kitchen crockery etc, and
  - 2) ripping out the kitchen units, cupboards, sinks, pipe work and heating system.
- We completed all the work by 4pm. The builders started at 8am on Tuesday and we hope that everything will be ready for use by second week of September.

**There are letters for church members to collect in the foyer.**

**Please take your own and any for those not present which you can deliver.**

**Vision Box** The Vision box is now at the back of the church for you to place your ideas and thoughts about the future of the church in preparation for the Away Day on 4<sup>th</sup> November. (See article in SPAN).

**Methodist Prayer Handbook 2017/2018** If you would like a copy of this handbook "Jesus, the First and the Last" priced £3.50 plus packaging and postage please let Sylvia Kelley know by 30<sup>th</sup> July.

**Coffee Morning on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September** - please note that Maureen and Norman Edsall's coffee morning will now be held at the **Church** and not at Elstead as advertised in SPAN. This is due to the lack of parking at Elstead.

Please note that there will **not** be an Open Day/Heritage Day at this church on 9 September as stated in previous 40th Anniversary publicity.

**11<sup>th</sup> September at 8pm - IMPORTANT MEETING** - open to all. with representatives of the Methodist and UR Churches on the future ministry at GUC.

The next two Lunch Fellowships at the Jack Phillips will be on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK UP TO SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JULY 2017

Tues 18<sup>th</sup> 5.00pm Brownies (*Alison tel:422841*)

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> 10.30-11.30am Major Minors rehearsal in the church  
8.00pm Church Council Meeting

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> 4.30pm Rainbows (*Julie tel:428701*)  
7.30pm Scouts (*Grahame tel: 01420 475773*)

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> 2.00–5.00pm Major Minors Graduation Ceremony (Church & Hall)

Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> 8.30am Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast at the Friends Meeting  
House, Mill Lane, Godalming

**Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July**

**10.30am Morning Worship – led by Rev Paul Hulme**

ADVANCE NOTICES

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> 10.30-12noon Coffee & Cake at St. Mary's, Guildford

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