



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

## SERVICE FOR SUNDAY OCTOBER 15<sup>th</sup> 2017 and notices for the coming week

In our service this morning we will celebrate and give thanks for our successfully completed building works. On Friday evening a reception was held to thank the many people involved, including those who helped fund the project. We were pleased that the Secretary of the Joseph Rank Trust, one of the funders, attended.

What is the Joseph Rank Trust? The current Trust is an amalgamation of a number of charities established by the late Joseph Rank (1854-1943), a passionate member of the Methodist Church, or by members of his family during the period from 1918 to 1942. It is an independent Christian grant maker and works with all Christian denominations. The principal object of the Trust is "to advance the Christian Faith - to further the Kingdom of God". Joseph was born at his father's flour mill in Hull and worked his way up through the business. He was left £500 by his father in his will and started business on his own account (which was latterly known as Ranks Hovis McDougall plc) by renting a windmill in Hull. He lost £200 of his inheritance and determined that he must redouble his efforts to provide for his wife and family (one of his sons, J Arthur Rank, again a devout Methodist, founded his own company which became the Rank Group plc and established his own charities). In 1883 he saw his first roller mill and immediately saw the great advantage to be gained by grinding with steel rollers in preference to millstones. In the same year he experienced his religious conversion at an evangelistic mission in a Methodist Chapel in Hull. He afterwards declared that he said to himself "I can have it if I believe. Why shouldn't I believe now?" The business prospered and Joseph Rank was generous in support of the work of the Methodist Church, initially from his own pocket and then from the various charitable trusts that he established. He was a great believer in "matched funding", innovative in the late C19th. Throughout his life he shunned any form of public recognition of his work but his ideals and support continue today.

*Alan Steele*

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

Give comfort, O Lord, to all who are torn away from their homes and their loved ones by war, famine or the cruelty of their fellows; grant that we who dwell secure in this insecure world may be generous in caring for our displaced sisters and brothers. Amen.

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

Today's stewards are

Vestry Steward Keith Rowling

Duty Steward Maurice Illman

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

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

### **SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION AFTER REFURBISHMENT WORKS**

Led by	Rev Paul Hulme
Organist:	Keith Nye
Hosts:	Sylvia Kelley and Christine Wells
Sound System:	Malcolm Keene
Projection steward:	Julie Rowling

Call to Worship

**Hymn (StF) 69      Ye Holy Angels bright**

Responsive Psalm 831 (StF) *Psalm 122*

Prayer

**Hymn (StF) 691      What shall our greeting be?**

Lessons

1 Kings 8 v.26 - 30 (p.345) read by Kath Benny

Luke 11 v.1 - 13 (p.1042) read by Nicola Gidlow

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Congregation: **Thanks be to God.**

**Hymn (StF) 25      God is here! As we his people**

Sermon

Music for Reflection

Prayers of Dedication *Methodist Worship Book* Page 514 - 516

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

Holy Communion *MWB* Page 191 - 195

*Children join us for Holy Communion*

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

The Blessing

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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 Margaret Hunt  
remembering Martin's birthday. Arranged by Wendy Weston.

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**Today      3.00 – 5.30pm      Pantomime rehearsal**

**Sun 29<sup>th</sup> October** following morning service **Special Church Meeting  
about Future Ministry – shared or alternating ministry?**  
See article in Span.

"For the Future Take Us" (Church Away Day) Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November  
Please return your invitation by 22<sup>nd</sup> October (next Sunday) at the latest  
and remember the day in your prayers.

Scripture Union Bible Reading notes: If you would like to order the Scripture  
Union Bible Reading notes "Daily Bread" for 2018 priced £17 for a year's  
subscription please can you let Sylvia Kelley know by 5<sup>th</sup> November.

URC Prayer Handbook "On Eagles' Wings": If you wish to order the URC  
Prayer Handbook for 2018 priced £6.50 plus postage please can you let  
Sylvia Kelley know by 5<sup>th</sup> November.

The next Lunch Fellowship will be on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November  
12.15 for 12.30pm at the Jack Phillips.

A training afternoon has been arranged at Merrow Methodist Church on **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November** - 2.30pm-4.30pm - for Local Preachers and Worship Leaders. The training, led by Rev. Dave Faulkner and Rev Allan Taylor, is on leading prayers of intercession. To book a place please contact Lyn Mckay – 01483 533636 or [lynwen.mckay@gmail.com](mailto:lynwen.mckay@gmail.com)

#### DIARY FOR THE WEEK UP TO SUNDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER 2017

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm Monday Evening Group – Journeys with Paul – looking at maps, scripture and members visits.

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> 2.45pm Ladies Fellowship - A Handling Collection from Haslemere Museum with Freda Chapman  
5.00pm Brownies (*Alison tel:422841*)

Wed 18<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Godaltots (*Jacky tel: 423768*)  
8.00pm Church Council meeting

Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> 4.30pm Rainbows (*Julie tel:428701*)  
7.30pm Scouts (*Grahame tel: 01420 475773*)

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> 10.30am–2.00pm Church open for private prayer  
12-1.30pm Lunches  
2.15 for 2.30pm **QUI** - come and join others for conversation around how we experience God in our lives and world.  
8.00pm at Godalming United Church - One Hundred years after The Balfour Declaration – our unfinished business – Talk by Prof. Mary Grey – Theologian. *Now all of Palestine is occupied*  
6.00pm Music Kids (*Barbara tel:421268*)

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

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

#### ADVANCE NOTICES

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> 10.30-12noon Coffee & Cake at St Mary's, Guildford  
Sat 28<sup>th</sup> 8.30am Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast at Godalming Baptist Church

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